



To all who are weary and need rest ...
To all who mourn and long for comfort ...
To all who feel worthless and wonder if God cares ...
To all who struggle and desire strength ...
To all who sin and need a Savior ...
We do, too.

Welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, our great Hope and Joy, the reason we gather to celebrate and worship. Southwood opens wide our doors, our hearts, and our lives as our God has done for us.

March 15, 2026
8:45 AM Prayer Gathering
9:30 AM Worship Service
11:00 AM Connect Hour

Worship Service

We contemplate who God is and who we are as we gather to worship.

MEDITATION

“We are caterpillars in a ring of fire. Our only hope is deliverance from above.”

Martin Luther

God welcomes us into his presence and reorients our hearts to Him and each other.

CALL TO WORSHIP

ALL: So then we are no longer strangers and aliens, but we are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone, in whom the whole structure, being joined together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord. In him we also are being built together into a dwelling place for God by the Spirit.

Based on Ephesians 2:19-22

We express the worth of our God and the emotions of our hearts to Him.

SONGS

“Holy Is the Lord”

“’Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus”

PRAYER OF PRAISE

Helping Lead Today's Worship Service

- **Derrick Harris** Associate Pastor
- **Bill Harritt** Associate Pastor
- **Jeremy McCoy** Announcements
- **Wayne Bucknor** Piano
- **Tim Adcock** Organ
- **Newt Johnson** Bass Guitar
- **Marcus Pope** Drums
- **Lyndsay Abel** Vocals
- **Michael Babin** Vocals
- **Kathryn Jones** Vocals
- **Jarrett Kaempfer** Audio/Slides
- **Steve Long** Livestream

Worship Service

We affirm together what we believe.

PROFESSION OF FAITH

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Apostles' Creed

SONGS

"Come, Thou Fount"

We talk honestly with our Father about our weakness and need for Him.

CONFESSION OF SIN

SILENT CONFESSION

God reminds us of his grace and forgiveness as the foundation of our relationship.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

This is how God showed his love among us: He sent his one and only Son into the world that we might live through him. This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins.

1 John 4:9-10

SONG

"Christ Is Mine Forevermore"

We celebrate how God's grace flows through us in our relationships and community.

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY SONG

"Hope to Carry On"

Parents may escort K-1st graders upstairs during offertory.

Worship Service

God speaks to us from the Bible explained and applied to our lives.

PREACHING OF THE WORD

Hebrews 6:13-20

“Jesus Is Greater Than Every Other Anchor”

SONG OF RESPONSE

“Christ Is Mine Forevermore”

God sends us on his mission with his blessing.

BENEDICTION

Now to the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

I Timothy 1:17



Following the Worship Service

Pastor Derrick will greet & pray with people at the front of the sanctuary.

Join us for Connect Hour, relating with God and each other around his Word.

Adults: Gather in rooms on hallway across from the Nursery

High-Life Connects: Jr./Sr. High classes in the Lodge across the street

Kids Connect: Birth-5th grade classes in the Nursery and upstairs

Sermon Notes

1. God _____ a _____. (v.13-15)

2. God _____ the _____. (v.16-18)

3. God _____ our _____. (v.19-20)

Why It Matters:

Your soul will only be as _____ as the _____ it's tied to.

Grace Group Questions *(for fuller discussion guide, visit southwood.org)*

1. Hebrews says God confirmed His promise with an oath because He cannot lie (vv.13–18). Where do you most need to remember that God's character does not shift? What tends to make you question His faithfulness?
2. The passage mentions those who have "fled for refuge" (v.18). When life feels unstable, where do you instinctively run for security? What does that reveal about what you trust?
3. Our hope in Christ is called "a sure and steadfast anchor" (v.19). What has recently tested your stability? Did it expose anything you were tied to that moved?
4. Jesus has gone "behind the curtain" as our forerunner and High Priest (vv.19–20). Do you live as though you truly have access to God? What keeps you from approaching Him with confidence?
5. Hebrews calls us to "hold fast" to hope. What practical step can you take this week to anchor yourself more deeply in Christ? Who helps you stay anchored when you drift?

Announcements

Adult Connect Hour Classes

Join us after the service in our adult communities. Classes include "The Alt. Gospel: Why Good News Needs No Substitute," "The Gospel of Mark," and "The Books of Ezra and Nehemiah."

Southwood Voices Rehearsal

Our seasonal adult choir will rehearse in the Sanctuary during Connect Hour on March 22 and 29 to prepare for Easter Sunday. Adults and high school students are welcome to join us! If you are new to the group, email wyketa.shipman@southwood.org.

Spiritual Formation Intro Course

Everyone is invited to a 6-week course starting Sunday, March 29, during Connect Hour in Room B. Bill Nash will lead us in exploring how we live in relationship with God day by day.

Vacation Bible School

Mark your calendars and register for our Rainforest Falls VBS! Kickoff dinner: June 14; VBS: June 15-18, 9am-noon. Volunteers & kids register at southwood.org/kids.

Women's Retreat Registration

Our Women's Retreat is April 10-12 at The Vision. Early bird pricing ends today! Register at southwood.org.

WPC Parenting Conference

"Parenting in Relationship with a Gracious God" Mar 27-28 at Westminster PCA. To register, visit bit.ly/WPCParentConference.

This Week @ Southwood Sunday, March 15

8:45am – Prayer Gathering
9:30am – Worship Service
11:00am – Connect Hour (all ages)
11:00am – No Communicants Class
7:00pm – No Sr. High-Life

Wednesday, March 18

6:00pm – No Jr. High-Life
6:30pm – No Women's Grace Groups

Thursday, March 19

10:00am – No Women's Grace Groups

Join us on God's mission together by becoming part of a smaller community through Grace Groups. Women's groups, men's groups, and coed groups meet throughout the week. Sign up to get connected at southwood.org/grace-groups.

Deacon/Finance Update

Quarterly Budget Need is based on Southwood's historical giving patterns.

Jan-Mar Budget Goal: \$722,092
Jan-Mar Giving to Date: \$484,363

Last Week's Giving: \$31,399



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Prayer Guide

Core Commitment

We recognize our deep dependence and need for prayer.

Ask that the comfort of Holy Spirit's presence would encourage us to talk with God throughout the day about what's on our hearts.

Pray that our Grace Groups would be marked by consistent prayer for one another even outside of formal meetings.

Ask for a renewed sense of Jesus' nearness to our sufferings to encourage us to cry out to Him even in our deepest despair.

Specific Needs

Pray for Bettie Murray, who has been hospitalized for the past week with internal bleeding and is seeking to regain energy and strength.

Pray for rest and renewal for our students and teachers over the upcoming Spring Break as well as for special times together for families enjoying a unique week together this week.

Pray for the ongoing hostilities with Iran and the safety of those in the entire Middle Eastern region.

Mission Partner Focus:

Reaching Indians Ministries

International (RIMI) serves the poor and marginalized across India and South Asia by bringing the hope of Jesus through church planting, leadership development, education, and community programs. They train young men and women for ministry through a one-year program that combines classroom learning with hands-on field experience, along with advanced theological education at their Nagpur seminary.

Pray for the seminary graduation (March 21) and all adjustments made as planned guests like Pastor Will and Caitlyn have had travel disrupted.

Pray for pastors conferences and Bible college graduation ceremonies in every state across the country to be a humbling and inspiring time of launching graduates into ministry.

Pray for Saji and Mony Lukos and other leaders who will travel extensively to celebrate, equip, and encourage graduates in the next couple weeks.

Senior Member

Eileen Sessions

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Expectant Mothers

Megan Craig — May 2026

Rachel Johnson — July 2026

Kathryn Propst — July 2026

**Email prayer@southwood.org
to be included in this Prayer Guide.**

Southwood's Mission

Southwood exists to experience and express grace in relationships that impact eternity.

Southwood's Core Commitments

We are committed to being Christ-centered.

We recognize our deep dependence and need for prayer.

We are driven by relationships.

We strive to love the least, the lost, the littlest, the lonely, and the left-out.

We seek the restoration of all creation in Huntsville and beyond.

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