



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 16, 2025
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

“When we kneel down to pray, we are coming to one who is both utterly powerful and utterly good. He is both King and Lover, both omnipotent and omni-merciful. He is able to help us, and he is willing to help us.”

Dane Ortlund
Defiant Grace

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

CALL TO WORSHIP

LEADER: Great and amazing are your deeds, O Lord God the Almighty!

PEOPLE: *Just and true are your ways, O King of the nations!*

LEADER: Who will not fear, O Lord, and glorify your name?

PEOPLE: *For you alone are holy.*

LEADER: All nations will come and worship you, for your righteous acts have been revealed.

ALL: *The Lamb will conquer for He is Lord of lords and King of kings.*

Revelation 15, 17

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

SONGS

“Crown Him with Many Crowns”

“Christ, Our Hope in Life and Death”

PRAYER OF PRAISE

Helping Lead Today's Worship Service

- Will Spink Senior Pastor
- Bill Harritt Associate Pastor
- Tim Holbrook Story of Grace
- Elisabeth Enchelmayer Announcements
- DJ Baptiste Director, Music Ministry
- Newt Johnson Piano
- Tim Adcock Organ
- Nick Walker Bass Guitar
- Julian Newsome Drums
- Lyndsay Abel Vocals
- Jarrett Kaempfer Audio
- Steve Long Livestream
- Caitlyn Spink Slides

Worship Service

We encourage one another by sharing of God's gracious work in our lives.

STORY OF GRACE

SONG

"I'd Rather Have Jesus"

God speaks to us through the Bible to expose our sin and invite us to repentance.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Has a nation ever changed its gods? (Yet they are not gods at all.) But my people have exchanged their glorious God for worthless idols. Be appalled at this, you heavens, and shudder with great horror," declares the Lord. "My people have committed two sins: They have forsaken me, the spring of living water, and have dug their own cisterns, broken cisterns that cannot hold water.

Jeremiah 2:11-13

We talk honestly with our Father about our idolatry, brokenness, and need for Him.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

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

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

For he has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son he loves, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

Colossians 1:13-14

SONG

"Before the Throne of God Above"

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

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY SONG

"Behold Our God"

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

John 19:12-16
"Behold Your King!"

SONG OF RESPONSE

"Behold Our God"

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 Will will greet and 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 Nursery and upstairs

Sermon Notes

1. "We have no king but Caesar": We bow to idols when we ...

- Look to other things for _____

- Look to enthrone _____

2. "Behold your King": We bow to _____ when we ...

- Look to Him _____ (He's ruling over all!)

- Look to Him _____ (He's ruling for you!)

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

1. What things or people have become idols in your life, places you look to for life rather than looking to God?

2. In what areas of your life are you most often tempted to take the throne and lose sight of hope in God's work for you?

3. When you take the time to see Jesus as your King, how would you describe Him? What difference does it make when you regularly see Him as King over all and for you?

Announcements

Adult Connect Hour

Join us for classes in our adult communities, connecting with one another around God's Word. These include "Sermon on the Mount: The Good Life" (Under 40 in Room D with Lance Cooper, Thomas & Laura Davison); "Hebrews: Drawing Near to God in a Broken World" (40-60 in Room E with John Foreman and Bill Nash); "Living Life via the Psalms" (60+ in Room A with Mark Baginski and Vinit Mahesh).

Vacation Bible School

Yee Haw! Save the date for VBS, June 8-11, and hold on to your hat; we've got some fun surprises in store!

On-Call Nursery Volunteers

If you are willing to serve as an "on-call" volunteer for our nursery children (whether you already serve in the nursery or not), we'd love to hear from you and add you to our list! Email kids@southwood.org.

Need Prayer?

We consider it a great privilege to bring one another before the throne of grace. Our elders in particular love to pray with you, so join us Sunday mornings at 8:45am or let us know of a need at prayer@southwood.org.

This Week @ Southwood Sunday, March 16

8:45am – Prayer Gathering
9:30am – Worship Service
11:00am – Connect Hour (all ages)
7:00pm – Sr. High-Life

Tuesday, March 18

6:00pm – Deacons Meeting
6:30pm – Session Meeting

Wednesday, March 19

6:00pm – Jr. High-Life
6:30pm – Women's Grace Groups

Thursday, March 20

10:00am – 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 mixed-gender groups meet throughout the week. Sign up to get connected to any of these groups at southwood.org/grace-groups.

Deacon/Finance Update

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

Jan-Mar Budget Need: \$558,565
Jan-Mar Giving to Date: \$424,875

Last Week's Giving

\$57,048



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Prayer Guide

Core Commitments

We recognize our deep dependence and need for prayer.

Pray that God would help us to slow down and take time to listen to Him each day.

Ask for Holy Spirit to grow our delight in prayer as we see God meet us there and meet our deepest needs.

Pray that we would confess our pride and self-reliance so that we would come humbly and boldly to the throne of grace.

Specific Needs

Pray for Karla Cash, Heather Morris, Josh Cash, and their families in the death of their mother and grandmother this week.

Pray for Spring Break to bear fruit of refreshment, rest, and reconnection for students, families, and school staff throughout our community.

Pray for our hearts and our neighbors as we prepare to follow Jesus to the cross and celebrate the personal hope of the resurrection in the coming weeks.

Missions Partner Requests

New City West End (St. Louis, MO)

Pastor Thurman and Evie Williams

This member of the New City Network is a multicultural congregation that seeks to serve the West End community of St. Louis City, as they love God and love one another.

You can find more details at newcitywestend.org. Please pray for them as they go through a transition in leadership.

Pray for Pastor Williams as he shifts to an Associate Pastor role to better focus on his calling of teaching at Covenant Seminary.

Ask God to strengthen and guide Assistant Pastor Anthony Johnson, who is being considered for the lead pastor position. The congregation will vote on March 23.

Pray that the ministries of New City West End will continue to flourish throughout this process.

Senior Member

Marie Hill

1314 Clinton Ave.
Huntsville, AL 35801

Expectant Mothers

Amy Dobrowansky — May 2025

Caroline Jewell — June 2025

Lily Hatfield — June 2025

Amelia Daniels — August 2025

**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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