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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.

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**March 24, 2024**

**8:45 AM** Prayer Gathering

**9:30 AM** Worship Service

**11:00 AM** Connect Hour

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# Worship Service

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

## MEDITATION

“Christ is the master key of all the rooms in the palace of mercy, and if you get Christ, you shall go in. Nothing shall keep you out of the secret chambers; you shall go in in God’s name, through Christ the door.”

Charles Spurgeon

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

## CALL TO WORSHIP

LEADER: A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, while others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. The crowds that went ahead of him and those that followed shouted,

PEOPLE:

*“Hosanna to the Son of David!”*

*“Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!”*

*“Hosanna in the highest heaven!”*

Matthew 21:8-9

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

## SONGS

“All Glory, Laud, and Honor”

“This Is Our God”

“Jesus, Tender Shepherd, Hear Me”

### Helping Lead Today’s Worship Service

- Will Spink Senior Pastor
- Derrick Harris Associate Pastor
- Elisabeth Enchelmayer Announcements
- DJ Baptiste Director, Music Ministry
- Newt Johnson Piano
- Nick Walker Bass Guitar
- Ron Poteat Electric Guitar
- Michael Athey Drums
- Nina Cash Vocals
- Kathryn Jones Vocals
- Jarrett Kaempfer Audio
- Steve Long Livestream
- Amanda Tatum Slides

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# Worship Service

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We tell God how grateful we are for who He is and what He does for us.

**PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**  
Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.  
1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

**SONG**  
"Hosanna"

God places the sign of his promises on the child of parents who place their trust in Him.

**BAPTISM**  
*Emmy Louise Spruiell*  
Daughter of Murray and Holly Spruiell

**SONG**  
"Doxology"

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

**GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**  
  
**OFFERTORY SONG**  
"Beneath the Cross"  
  
*Parents may escort K-1st graders upstairs during offertory.*

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# Worship Service

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

God invites us  
to taste and see  
his goodness  
in the bread  
and cup that  
represent the  
body and blood  
of Jesus for us.

God sends us on  
his mission with  
his blessing.

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## PREACHING OF THE WORD

John 10:1-10  
“I Am the Door”

## LORD’S SUPPER

The Lord’s Supper is the family meal of Christians. We invite all those who trust in Jesus and are baptized members in good standing of any church that preaches the good news of Jesus to partake in the meal with us. Children not yet received as members themselves or others not partaking today are encouraged to observe and/or ask an elder to pray with you after the service.  
\* *Gluten-free bread is available in center front and back.*  
\* *Grape juice is in clear cups in the outer ring of each tray, while wine is in purple cups in the inner rings.*

## SONG OF RESPONSE

“Hosanna”

## BENEDICTION

The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.

Numbers 6:24-26



### 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

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# Sermon Notes

1. How do I get in with God?

A. Dangers of \_\_\_\_\_ In

B. Safety of \_\_\_\_\_ In

2. How do I live with God?

A. \_\_\_\_\_ through Jesus

B. \_\_\_\_\_ through Jesus

C. \_\_\_\_\_ through Jesus

**Grace Group Questions** *(for fuller discussion guide, visit [southwood.org](http://southwood.org))*

1. How would you explain to a child what Jesus means that He is the Door?  
How would you explain the importance of Jesus as the Door to someone who felt that was narrow?

2. Where do you most struggle with depending on Jesus – the going in, the going out, or the finding pasture?

3. What practical things in your life make you most aware on a moment-by-moment basis of your dependence upon Jesus to find life?

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## Announcements

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### Adult Connect Hour – TODAY

Join us following the worship service as we gather to discuss the Parables of Jesus (Room D), the Book of Exodus (Room A), and the Welcome to Southwood class (Room B).

### Easter Week Special Services

Join us for special Easter services this week: Maundy Thursday with Lord's Supper (6pm), Good Friday (6pm), and Easter Sunrise (6:30am outdoors). Our regular Easter service will be at 9:30am in the Sanctuary. Nursery is provided for all services except Sunrise. To help with Easter nursery for our many guests, contact [kim.delchamps@southwood.org](mailto:kim.delchamps@southwood.org).

### Easter Celebration – Next Sunday!

Next Sunday, join us after the 9:30am worship service for our Easter Celebration, complete with a kids' egg hunt, family (selfie) photo stations, and sweet treats for all!

### Vacation Bible School – June 10-13

Ready to make a splash? At Scuba VBS (June 10-13, 9am to noon), we'll dive into friendship with God and help kids discover evidence of him in everyday life. Registration is now open for both kids and volunteers. We would love to have you partner with us in one of the most exciting weeks of the year at Southwood! Get more details and register via the Kids page at [southwood.org](http://southwood.org).

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### This Week @ Southwood Sunday, March 24

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

### Tuesday, March 26

6:00pm – Deacons Meeting

### Wednesday, March 27

6:00pm – Jr. High-Life  
6:00pm – SW Voices Rehearsal  
6:30pm – No Women's Bible Study

### Thursday, March 28

10:00am – No Women's Bible Study  
6:00pm – Maundy Thursday Service

### Friday, March 29

6:00pm – Good Friday Service

*Join us in pursuing God's mission together each week by becoming part of a smaller community through Grace Groups! To get connected, visit [southwood.org/grace-groups](http://southwood.org/grace-groups).*

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### Deacon/Finance Update

#### Weekly Budget Need

\$49,152

#### Last Week's Giving

\$31,572

#### Year to Date Giving

\$408,914



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[southwood.org](http://southwood.org).**

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# Prayer Guide

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## Core Commitment

**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.

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## Specific Needs

Pray for longtime nursery staff member Mary Mitchell undergoing cataract surgery Thursday (21st).

Pray for Mary Davison as she undergoes chemotherapy treatments for recently diagnosed breast cancer.

Pray for our kids who are helping to lead us in worship on Palm Sunday.

Pray for our deacons as they lead us in our Work Day and as they meet this Tuesday.

Pray for preparations for our Easter Week services and for family, friends, and neighbors who may join us for those celebrations.

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## Missions Partner Requests

### The Cornerstone Initiative

*This ministry provides spiritual, relational, and educational support to those dealing with the challenges of material poverty. Class participants receive employment and financial training using curriculums that are grounded in biblical principles. You can support CornerStone by praying for these requests.*

Ask God to bless and sustain the members and volunteers involved in our current Jobs for Life class.

We are starting a new class called Trauma Reboot. Pray that God's spirit would surround and bring healing to those who are in this program.

Pray for a successful fundraising event, Cornhole for CornerStone, coming up on April 18.

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## Senior Member

**Bettie Murray**  
2414 Penn St SW  
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## Expectant Mothers

**Lauren Taylor** — May 2024  
**Sarah-Nell Compton** — May 2024  
**Shealy Holliday** — May 2024  
**Abigail Hess Tredal** — May 2024  
**Sarah Collins** — June 2024  
**Elizabeth Fancher** — June 2024  
**Haley Clendinen** — July 2024  
**Rachel Johnson** — August 2024  
**Haley Bynum** — August 2024  
**Cayce McAlister** — August 2024

**Email [prayer@southwood.org](mailto:prayer@southwood.org)  
to be included in this Prayer Guide.**

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### **Southwood's Mission**

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

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### **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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