



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.

October 11, 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

If I may but see the King in his beauty, in the fullness of his joy, when he shall take by the right hand her for whom he shed his precious blood, and shall know the joy which was set before him, for which he endured the cross, despising the shame, I shall be blest indeed! Oh, what a day that will be when every member of Christ shall be crowned in him, and with him, and every member of the mystical body shall be glorified in the glory of the Bridegroom! A day will come, the day of the days, time's crown and glory, when ... the saints arrayed in the righteousness of Christ, shall be eternally one with him in living, loving, lasting union, partaking together of the same glory, the glory of the Most High. What must it be to be there!

C.H. Spurgeon

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

CALL TO WORSHIP

LEADER: In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and the train of his robe filled the temple. Above him stood the seraphim. Each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. And one called to another and said:

ALL: "Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory!"

Isaiah 6:1-3

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

SONGS

"Holy, Holy, Holy"
"Holy Is the Lord"

PRAYER

Helping Lead Today's Worship Service

- Will Spink Senior Pastor
- Derrick Harris Associate Pastor
- Cathy Mayer Announcements
- DJ Baptiste Director, Music Ministry
- Newt Johnson Piano
- Tim Adcock Organ
- John Viers Bass Guitar
- Ron Poteat Electric Guitar
- Marcus Pope Drums
- Michael Babin Vocals
- Angela Baptiste Vocals
- Jarrett Kaempfer Audio
- Leslie Ellis Livestream
- Amanda Tatum Slides

Worship Service

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

CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice
of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke.
And I said: “Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a man
of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of
unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of
hosts!”

Isaiah 6:4-5

PRIVATE CONFESSION

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

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Then one of the seraphim flew to me, having in his hand a
burning coal that he had taken with tongs from the altar.
And he touched my mouth and said: “Behold, this has
touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin
atoned for.”

Isaiah 6:6-7

SONG

“He Will Rejoice”

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

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY SONG

“Revelation Song”

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
Revelation 4
“Perspective from Heaven’s Throne”

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

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 communing members 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
“Revelation Song”

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 & pray with people at the front of the sanctuary.

Join us for Connect Hour, relating with God & 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

Introduction: Outside Perspective

Bottom Line: _____ on his _____ is the _____ reality of the universe.

1. Heaven's Throne is Gloriously _____ (4:1-3).

2. Heaven's Throne is Wonderfully _____.

- Near the Throne: God's _____ (4:4)

- From the Throne: _____ and _____ (4:5)

- Before the Throne: Seven _____ and a _____ of Glass (4:5-6)

- Around the Throne: Four _____ (4:6-7)

3. The One on Heaven's Throne is Constantly _____ (4:8-11).

Conclusion: Am I OK if I'm not Central?

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

1. What does it look like for you when you naturally put yourself at the center of the universe? What would look most different in your life if you had heaven's perspective?

2. In what area of life (anxiety, suffering, temptation, etc.) do you need to remember heaven's throne is occupied – especially by someone who defies description?

3. How does "worship" shape every aspect of your daily life? How does corporate worship impact your everyday worship and awareness of who is central?

Announcements

Adult Connect Community Classes

Today following the service:

- "Spiritual Formation" (Rm E) with Bill Nash
- "The Gospel and Work" (Rm D) with Lance Cooper and Thomas Davison
- "1 Peter, 2 Peter, Jude" (Rm A) with Kevin Ellis, Julie Blauwkamp, and Heather Morris.

Southwood Family Dinner

Join us this Wednesday, Oct 14, at 5:30pm for our next Southwood Family Dinner. Come enjoy good food and even better fellowship!

Lunch, Life, & Scripture Wednesday

Bring lunch and join Pastor Derrick for informal conversation about how the Bible speaks into everyday life. We meet this Wednesday, Oct. 14, 11:45am-1:00pm in the Connecting Spaces.

Flourish Women's Gathering

Ladies, join us for Flourish next Sunday, October 18, as local psychiatrist Dr. Kelly Buchanan helps us learn to support each other as we navigate anxiety in motherhood. We'll meet in the Connecting Spaces from 2:30 - 4pm.

Trunk or Treat at Southwood

Grab your Grace Group, decorate a trunk, and help pass out provided candy to kids in the community, Saturday, October 24, 4-6pm. Please email kids@southwood.org if you have any questions.

This Week @ Southwood

Sunday, October 11

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

Tuesday, October 13

6:00pm – Joint Officers Meeting

Wednesday, October 14

11:45am – Lunch, Life, & Scripture
5:30pm – Southwood Family Dinner
6:30pm – Kids Club
6:15pm – Jr. High-Life
6:30pm – Women's Grace Groups

Thursday, October 15

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 coed groups meet through the week. Sign up to get connected at southwood.org/gracegroups.

Deacon/Finance Update

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

Oct-Dec Budget Goal: \$1,174,628
Oct-Dec Giving to Date: \$43,171

Last Week's Giving: \$43,171



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Prayer Guide

Core Commitment

We are driven by relationships.

Ask God to bring healing and reconciliation in fractured relationships between family members and friends.

Pray for our youth to develop Christ-centered friendships in a self-centered world.

Ask Holy Spirit for doors for the gospel in relationships with our neighbors and for the boldness to walk through them.

Specific Needs

Pray for Lou Ellen Schweers in the death of her grandmother this week.

Pray for Southwood Facilities Supervisor Derek Rieben, who has been hospitalized this week with a punctured lung.

Pray for those traveling for Fall Break and especially those impacted by the approaching storm in the Gulf.

Pray for our elders, deacons, and other leaders as they meet together Tuesday night to pray and plan for caring for our church.

Mission Partner Focus

Alex and Suzanne Sarran

Alex and Suzanne Sarra have served in full-time ministry in Lyon, France since 2001. Alex leads a growing church plant in the city, with a desire to see people come to faith in Christ, the church strengthened, and new churches planted throughout the region.

Praise God that an offer on a 7,000-square-foot building was recently accepted! Pray that the remaining details come together and the sale would move forward.

The \$3 million project will require significant outside funding. Pray that God would provide the resources needed and raise up generous partners for the purchase and renovation.

Praise God for a recent meeting with about 15 people interested in joining a future daughter-church plant. Pray for wisdom as these opportunities develop and for God to raise up faithful leaders to carry the Gospel into new communities.

Senior Member

Julie Miller

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Expectant Mothers

Ashlyn Everett — October 2026
Katelyn Welch — November 2026
Riley Brechin — December 2026
Jessica Sheppard — March 2027

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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