



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 6, 2024
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

“A new Nature is being not merely made but made out of an old one. We live amid all the anomalies, inconveniences, hopes, and excitements of a house that is being rebuilt.”

C.S. Lewis, *Miracles*

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

CALL TO WORSHIP

LEADER: Preserve me, O God, for in you I take refuge.

PEOPLE: *I say to the Lord, “You are my Lord; I have no good apart from you.”*

LEADER: I have set the Lord always before me; because he is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.

PEOPLE: *Therefore my heart is glad, and my whole being rejoices.*

LEADER: You make known to me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy.

ALL: *At your right hand are pleasures forevermore.*

Psalm 16

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

SONGS

“House of the Lord”
“Bless the Lord”

PRAYER OF PRAISE

Helping Lead Today's Worship Service

- Will Spink Senior Pastor
- Bill Nash Spiritual Formation Consultant
- DJ Baptiste Director, Music Ministry
- Tim Adcock Organ
- Newt Johnson Bass Guitar
- Wesley Chambers Violin
- Michael Athey Drums
- Kathryn Jones Vocals
- Kim Watkins Vocals
- Jarrett Kaempfer Audio
- Steve Long Livestream
- Abraham Lee Slides

Worship Service

We talk to God about his worth and our needs, as Jesus taught us to pray.

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

SONG

"The Lord Will Provide"

God speaks to us through the Bible as we have our hurting hearts pointed to hope in Him.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

"You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his male servant, or his female servant, or his ox, or his donkey, or anything that is your neighbor's." Exodus 20:17

PRIVATE CONFESSION OF SIN

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

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Jesus said, "All that the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will in no wise cast out." John 6:37

PEOPLE: But I am a great sinner.

LEADER: Christ says, "I will in no wise cast out."

PEOPLE: But I am a longtime sinner.

LEADER: "I will in no wise cast out."

PEOPLE: But I am a hard-hearted sinner.

LEADER: "I will in no wise cast out."

PEOPLE: But I am a backsliding sinner.

LEADER: "I will in no wise cast out."

PEOPLE: But I am a repeated sinner.

LEADER: "I will in no wise cast out."

PEOPLE: But I have no good thing to bring with me.

LEADER: Christ says, "I will in no wise cast out. For this is the will of my Father, that everyone who looks on the Son and believes in him should have eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day."

Adapted from John Bunyan and John 6:37-40

SONG

"It Is Well With My Soul"

Worship Service

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

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY SONG

"One Day"

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

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

PREACHING OF THE WORD

John 16:16-33

"Cheer Up"

SONG OF RESPONSE

"It Is Well With My Soul"

God sends us on his mission with his blessing.

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 Bill 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. All of Life Is _____.

2. There is a day that changes _____.

Bonus: It is better to know _____ than to know _____.

3. In Jesus we have nothing to prove, protect or _____.

Conclusion: You need Jesus.

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

1. All of life is up hill: What personal loss have you experienced? Difficult environments (work, family, social circles)? Disappointments?

2. What questions are you asking God right now in your life? Think through and work out with your group how the implications of the resurrection of Jesus speak into and answer your question(s) and turn them into prayer(s).

3. Being "in Jesus" (v.33) can be understood as walking in conscious dependence on Him and staying close to Him. How might being "in Jesus" change how you pray? And what you pray for?

Announcements

Adult Connect Hour

Adult gatherings following the worship service: The Ruthless Elimination of Hurry (Room D, Bill Nash), Romans: God's Plan for Your Life (Room A, Kevin Ellis and Mark Wolfson), and Welcome to Southwood (Room B, Will Spink).

Southwood Kids at Tate Farms

Southwood Kids are heading to Tate Farms on Friday, October 18, 5-8pm. A limited number of discounted tickets (\$20) are available through Oct. 11. Email kids@southwood.org for a link to purchase. Otherwise, tickets are \$25 at the gate. Join us to invest in relationships with the next generation.

Church Work Day - Save the Date!

Let's tackle some projects around our church property at our Church Work Day, Saturday, October 19, 9am-1pm. Stay tuned for details.

Grieving Together @ Brookdale Place

If you would like to join us in developing relationships with our neighbors at Brookdale Place Senior Living, join us Tuesday at 1:00pm for our first Grieving Together gathering. Anyone may help or participate. Email wyketa.shipman@southwood.org for more info.

Southwood Job Opportunities

Southwood is currently seeking to fill four ministry staff positions (youth male, youth female, missions, and connections). Learn more at southwood.org/jobs.

This Week @ Southwood Sunday, October 6

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

Tuesday, October 8

1:00pm – GriefCare @ Brookdale Place
6:30pm – Session Meeting

Wednesday, October 9

3:30pm – Bible Study/Fleming Farms
6:00pm – Kids Club
6:00pm – Jr. High-Life
6:30pm – Women's Grace Groups

Thursday, October 10

10:00am – Women's Grace Groups

Friday – Sunday, October 11-13

Jr. High Fall Retreat @ Camp Skyline

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.

Deacon/Finance Update

Weekly Budget Need

\$49,152

Last Week's Giving

\$34,100

Year to Date Giving

\$1,626,728



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Prayer Guide

Core Commitments

We are driven by relationships. Ask for boldness and intentionality in workplace and neighborhood relationships - that we might share the hope of Christ with those regularly in our lives.

Pray for our young people to develop Christ-centered relationships in a culture of self-centered priorities.

Ask that our Grace Groups would increasingly be havens of refuge for those who are hurting and searching to find life-giving community.

Specific Needs

Pray for our elders and other leaders as they gather Tuesday night to pray for and plan for our church.

Pray for the ongoing recovery efforts from last week's storm across the Southeast. Visit pcamna.org/hurricane-helene for information on how you can help.

Pray for our first "Grieving Together" gathering with our neighbors at Brookdale Place on Tuesday.

Missions Partner Requests

Reaching Indians Ministries Int'l (RIMI)

RIMI's vision is to transform communities in South Asia and beyond by developing and deploying indigenous leaders. Their ministry plan includes evangelism, leadership training, and mercy ministries. You can support them by praying for the following requests:

Please continue to pray for three of our field staff in India who were recently arrested and then released. Pray that the case will be totally dropped and removed from their records.

Pray that these arrests will not discourage believers from standing firm for Christ.

Praise God with us for a successful annual banquet where over \$40,000 was raised to support our leadership conference and other ministry needs.

Senior Member

Elaine Hill

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Expectant Mothers

Sarah Riley — Feb 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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