



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.

July 7, 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

“No short-cut that tries to bypass the patient unfolding of the true character of God, and our relationship to him as his children, can ever succeed in providing long-term spiritual therapy. But the knowledge that the Father has bestowed his love on us, so that we are called children of God — and in fact are his children (1 John 3:1-2), will, over time, prove to be the solvent in which our fears, mistrust, and suspicion of God — as well as our sense of distance from him — will eventually dissolve.”

Sinclair Ferguson, *Children of the Living God*

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

CALL TO WORSHIP

LEADER: Therefore, brothers and sisters, since we have confidence to enter the holy places by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain, that is, through his flesh, and since we have a great priest over the house of God,

PEOPLE: let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water.

Hebrews 10:19-22

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

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

SONGS

“The Church’s One Foundation”
“’Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus”

Helping Lead Today’s Worship Service

- Will Spink Senior Pastor
- Bill Harritt Associate Pastor
- Cathy Mayer Announcements
- DJ Baptiste Director, Music Ministry
- Newt Johnson Piano
- Tim Adcock Organ
- Nick Walker Bass Guitar
- Mike Athey Drums
- Nina Cash Vocals
- Kim Watkins Vocals
- Jarrett Kaempfer Audio
- Steve Long Livestream
- Josh Cash Slides

Worship Service

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

CONFESSION OF SIN

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

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Therefore, since we have been justified through faith,
we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ,
through whom we have gained access by faith into this
grace in which we now stand. And we boast in the hope of
the glory of God.

Romans 5:1-2

SONG

“Christ Is Mine Forevermore”

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

BAPTISM

Nora Jane Patton

Daughter of Daniel and Beth Patton

SONG

Doxology

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

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY SONG

“Rock of Ages”

Worship Service

We share the good news with the next generation.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

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

PREACHING OF THE WORD

Selected Verses
"Meeting Jesus in Baptism"

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 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

College Connect: College students in the Lodge across the street

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

Introduction: Walking with Jesus Together

What Baptism Means

1. God promises to _____ our sins (Acts 2:38, Acts 22:16).
2. God promises to _____ us to Jesus (Romans 6:3-11, Galatians 3:27).
3. God promises to _____ us to new life (Colossians 2:11-15, Romans 6:3-11).

How Baptism is a Means of Grace

How do I meet Jesus in baptism (especially someone else's)?

Conclusion: The Baptisms of Jesus

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

1. What is your personal experience with baptism, and how does that impact how you approach relationship with Jesus today?
2. The next time you participate in a baptism, what thoughts would you like to be considering?
3. How specifically would your life look different if you embraced your constant connection to Jesus and his resurrection power in you?

Announcements

Worship Night: Summer Songs/Sweets!

TONIGHT at 6pm, bring a friend and join us for our Worship Night. This gathering is for all ages! We will fellowship together with ice cream and outdoor fun after a wonderful time of singing. We will also have a chance to thank Clay and Jill McCann as Clay wraps up his time on our youth staff soon.

Sermon Resource File

Recommended resources for all ages to help you in your relationship with God (new resources on baptism this week!) along the lines of today's sermon are available by scanning the QR code below.



Loving Our Neighbors Workshop

Welcome Debbi Akers from Cornerstone Initiative, a Southwood ministry partner, as we learn together more about loving our neighbors, especially those in material poverty. Gather in the Lodge during Connect Hour Sunday, July 21. All ages invited!

Partner Service Opportunity

During July we are collecting new board games for mission partner Second Mile Development. Parents at area Title I schools will receive them as part of Second Mile's Parent Initiative. Drop off games in the Guest Center or go to southwood.org to find their Amazon Wishlist.

This Week @ Southwood Sunday, July 7

7:00am – Men's Fellowship (P.L.Eggs)
8:45am – Prayer Gathering
9:30am – Worship Service
11:00am – Connect Hour (all ages)
6:00pm – Worship Night/Sweet Treats
7:30pm – High-Life, McCann Farewell

Tuesday, July 9

6:00pm – Session Meeting

Thursday, July 11

2:00pm – Women's Bible Study

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

\$23,459

Year to Date Giving

\$1,051,002



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Prayer Guide

Vision

To Advance the Kingdom of God

Ask for renewed zeal for God's kingdom to come on earth rather than our own agendas.

Pray that the light of Christ would drive out darkness in our homes, neighborhoods, and city.

Ask that our delight and hope would be in King Jesus and his eternal rule of justice, mercy, and peace.

Specific Needs

Praise God for healing in Sandy Newby and Bettie Murray and pray as they continue to recover from recent health issues.

Pray that Sunday's Worship Night would be a rich time together as a worshipping community.

Pray for the direction of God, the unity of the Spirit, and the mind of Christ for our elders and leaders as they meet Tuesday night.

Pray for our nation as we celebrate our freedoms and ask for God's guidance on our leaders and our future.

Missions Partner Requests

The Lewis Family

Carrigtwohill, Ireland

Seth and Jessica Lewis, along with their three children, focus on planting new churches, providing Bible training through Munster Bible College, and running youth camps through Munster Christian Camps. They are currently on home ministry and visited Southwood in June. Please support their time in the states by praying for these requests.

Pray that the Lewises will be encouraged and refreshed as a result of spending time with their families and supporting churches.

Ask God to make this a fruitful time for raising any support that is needed for their family and ministry.

Pray that the Lord would continue to work in people's hearts and build up his church in Ireland while the Lewises are away.

Senior Member

Marie Hill

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Expectant Mothers

Haley Clendinen — July 2024

Rachel Johnson — August 2024

Haley Bynum — August 2024

Cayce McAlister — August 2024

Rachel Hess Hajek — Sept 2024

**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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