

Welcome to Cottage Grove Church and to our worship services. If you are visiting, please sign a guest book at the back of the sanctuary or near one of the entrances and join us for coffee after the morning service so that we can get better acquainted. Recordings of our services are available on our website or on compact disk by calling the church office or using the order form located next to the guest book in the narthex. May the Lord bless you richly as you hear His word and join in worship.

The Lord's Day • January 10, 2016
Morning Worship • 9:30 a.m.

Prelude

We Begin Worship

*Call to Worship and Prayer

*Celebration Hymnal 225 **Come, Christians, Join to Sing**

*Declaration of Trust and God's Greeting

*Celebration Hymnal 552: 1, 3, 4 *I am Thine, O Lord*

We Confess Sin

The Law of God

Psalter Hymnal 392

Assurance of Pardon

Spirit Divine, Attend Our Prayer

We Pray and Give

Congregational Prayer

Offering

Biblical Reformed Seminary – Myanmar

Offertory

Great is Thy Faithfulness

in honor of John & Betty Schaap's 65th Anniversary

*Psalter Hymnal 328:1-3

My God, How Wonderful Thou Art

Sermon

Scripture

Genesis 45:3-8 (pew Bible, p. 75)

Romans 8:18-28 (pew Bible, p. 1757)

Text

Romans 8:28

Sermon "…IN ALL THINGS, GOD WORKS FOR GOOD…"

Prayer of Application

*Psalter Hymnal 411:1-5

How Firm a Foundation

We End Church Worship

*Benediction

*Closing Song

Psalter Hymnal 488:1-2

*Postlude

Now Blessed Be Jehovah God

*Please stand if able.

Bold denotes projected items.

Evening Worship • 5:30 p.m.

Prelude

We Begin Worship

*Call to Worship and Prayer

*Psalter Hymnal 183: 1 – 3

O Come Before the Lord

*Declaration of Trust and God's Greeting

*Psalter Hymnal 448

Christ Whose Glory Fills the Skies

We Confess Our Faith

*Confession of Faith

The Apostles' Creed (Psalter, p. 3)

*Song of Praise • Psalter Hymnal 318: 4

Holy, Holy, Holy

We Pray and Give

The Prayers of God's People

Offering

Cottage Grove General Fund

*Psalter Hymnal 461:1-5

God Moves in a Mysterious Way

Sermon

Scripture

Genesis 50:19-21 (pew Bible, p. 85)

Romans 8:28-39 (pew Bible, p. 1757)

Text

Romans 8:28

Heidelberg Catechism: Lord's Day 10,

Question and Answer 27 – 28 (Psalter, p. 17)

Sermon

GOD'S PROVIDENCE

Prayer of Application

*Psalter Hymnal 463:1-4

He Leadeth Me

We End Church Worship

*Parting Blessing

*Closing Song

Psalter Hymnal 493 **Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow**

*Postlude

Today at Cottage Grove

- 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship. Rev. Joseph Brinks, preaching. Offering: Biblical Reformed Seminary, which trains students in the Reformed faith to be servants in the churches. It is the college where young men are trained to be pastors for the Christian Reformed Church in Myanmar.
- Please join the family of **John & Betty Schaap** for cake and coffee in the Fellowship Hall following the morning service as they celebrate their 65th wedding anniversary.
- 11:00 a.m. **Sunday School** for 4 year olds – 6th grade. Lesson 11. Homework due: lesson 10.
- 5:30 p.m. Evening Worship. Rev. Joseph Brinks, preaching. Offering: Cottage Grove General Fund.

This Week at Cottage Grove

Monday, January 11

- 6:45 p.m. **Men's Bible Study** meets. Invite a neighbor or friend and join us to study The Gospel of John. Lesson: John 10.

Tuesday, January 12

- 9:45 a.m. **Women's Coffee Break, Story Hour and Nursery** meet. Lesson 2: Romans 9. Invite a neighbor or friend to join us for Bible Study. Nursery: Bonnie B, Edie G.
- 9:45 a.m. **Men's Coffee Break** meets. Lesson: John 11. Invite a neighbor or friend and join us for Bible Study.
- 6:30 p.m. **Prayer walk** for our Council. Meet at the Fellowship House. This is a silent prayer walk. If you are unable to walk, the house will be open for prayer.
- 6:30 p.m. **Council** meets. A copy of the agenda is posted on the library bulletin board. NOTE: meeting will begin 30 minutes early in order to nominate officebearers.

Wednesday, January 13

- Men: What is in your Wednesday time slot, between 6:30 - 7:45 a.m.? If you are free, why not join our **Men's Prayer Breakfast** at Sheffield's Restaurant (1027 Sheffield Ave.) in Dyer? It's a great and enriching way to start the day and develop rich relationships with the guys. We'd love to meet up with you there!
- 7:00 p.m. **Godly Women Class** meets in the Fellowship House.

Thursday, January 14

- Remember **Sabbath Rest** in your prayers as we minister to the homeless. Pray that they may be refreshed by a warm welcome, a good lunch, a time of rest, and a time of Bible Study with members of our congregation.
- 12:00 noon. **Bulletin** deadline.

Next Week at Cottage Grove

Sunday, January 17

- 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship. Candidate Joel Worries, preaching. Sermon title: A BITTER BEGINNING. Offering: Cottage Grove General Fund. Neil Van Drunen, a representative from Gideon's International will speak to the congregation briefly about the work of the Gideon's.
- 5:30 p.m. Evening Worship. Candidate Joel Worries, preaching. Sermon title: TRADING TRUTH FOR TRADITIONALISM. Offering: Gideon's International.

Wednesday, January 20

- 5:30 – 6:30 p.m. **Midweek Fellowship Dinner**. Please sign up on the library bulletin board if you plan to attend.

Prayer Requests

- Phil C - pray for continued improvement.
- James K who is at His Mansion Ministry.
- Rich V Z as he struggles with ongoing health issues.
- Continue to pray for the Council as they seek to lead our church.

Our Church Family

Congratulations to John T who celebrated his 85th birthday on January 3; to Shirley L who celebrated her 88th birthday on January 4; to Stan C who will celebrate his 89th birthday on January 11; and to Gert V M who will celebrate her 82nd birthday on January 13.

The sympathy of the congregation is expressed to Tom & Cele B and family in the death of Tom's Brother, Bob. Bob's wife, Martha, passed away only 6 weeks earlier. Pray for comfort for the family as they mourn the loss of this loved one.

From Your Mission Committee

Neighbor Love Idea: In this new year, look for one person that you can show mercy to, just as Christ did for each of His children..

Stan K is getting better health wise, although the medication he is taking has some unpleasant side effects. Stan appreciates the prayers of the congregation.

Announcements

Budget envelopes for 2016 are available for all those who are over 18 years of age or who have made profession of faith. Please pick yours up from the table in the Fellowship Hall. If you have any questions or would like to request a set of budget envelopes, please contact Ken B.

Council is in the process of forming a **Pastoral Search Committee**. We are looking for 3 – 4 congregants to serve on this committee. Please contact an elder if you are interested.

Fannie May candy bars are on their way! Calvinette Gems will be selling Fannie May candy bars again this year starting on January 21. See any Calvinette Gem or Counselor to purchase candy bars. Cost is \$1.25 a bar. Six varieties will be available, milk chocolate in plain, caramel, almond or rice; dark chocolate in mint cookie or plain. If you plan to order a large quantity please contact a Gems Counselor ASAP since we did not order a lot of extra bars.

Requested Announcements

Bible League Volunteers are in need of a key contact person for Cottage Grove Church. If you are willing to serve or would like more information please contact Marilyn Olthoff at 708-339-2693.

Did you miss the **Building Illiana** dinner in October? Please join us on **Friday, January 22**, at 7 p.m. for hors d'oeuvres and entertainment at The Lighthouse (7501 Constitution Ave. Cedar Lake, IN 46303). We are excited to share the plans for our new campus with you and give you an opportunity to support Illiana's bright future. Please RSVP by January 15, at www.BuildingIlliana.com. Call (708)474-0515 with any questions.

Saturday, February 27, 7:00-10:30 a.m. Come out and enjoy a hot and delicious breakfast at **Calvin Christian School's** annual **Pancake and French Toast Breakfast**. Bring your friends and family to 528 E. 161st Place, South Holland, IL, for all you can eat pancakes, French toast, bacon, sausage, coffee and orange juice. Donations accepted at the door and support Calvin's sports teams.

In Service

	January 10	January 17
Organist AM	Joanne H	Jan H
Organist PM	Joanne H	
Pianist PM		Barb U
Greeters AM	Ken & Bonnie B	Elverna D Eileen H
Greeter-South AM	Doug B	Rick U
Greeters PM	Willard & Arlene V Z	Dale & Beth E
Nursery AM	Judith E Bonnie B	Ria B Beth E
Parking Lot AM		
Parking Lot PM		
Sound		
Ushers	Carl E Mark U	Tom V K
Video AM/PM	Doug B	Rick U
AM Cookies	Arlene L	Florence O
Holland Home Driver	Dick S	Dave V K

Elder Districts

A – C Frank V
 D - G Rick U
 H – K Luke S
 L – R Gene F
 S – U Rich K
 V – Z Dick S

Deacons

Doug B
 Ken B
 Bob S
 Tim T
 Tom V K
 Neil V