

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 • February 7, 2016
Morning Worship • 9:30 a.m.

Prelude
 *Call to Worship and Prayer
 *Psalter Hymnal 383 *O For a Thousand Tongue*
 *Declaration of Trust and God's Greeting
 *Psalter Hymnal 306 *O Praise Ye the Lord*

The Law of God Romans 12: 9 – 21 (pew Bible, p. 1764)
 *Psalter Hymnal 451 *Take Time to Be Holy*
 Assurance of Pardon
 Congregational Prayer
 Offering Chicagoland Prison Outreach
 *Psalter Hymnal 404 **Lord, Speak to Me, That I May Speak**

Scripture Luke 13: 1 – 9 (pew Bible, p. 1619)
 Message OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S EXTRAVAGANCE
 Prayer of Application

*Psalter Hymnal 484 **Lead On, O King Eternal**
 *Benediction
 *Closing Song **Jesus Draw Me Ever Nearer**
 *Postlude

*Please stand if able. **Bold** denotes projected items.

Evening Worship • 5:30 p.m.

Prelude
 *Call to Worship and Prayer
 *Celebration Hymnal 57 *Sing unto the Lord*
 *Declaration of Trust and God's Greeting
 *Celebration Hymnal 668 *I'll Go Where You Want Me to Go*
 *Confession of Faith The Apostles' Creed

*Celebration Hymnal 671 *Something for Thee*
 Mission Moment Michael Madany
 Prayers of God's People
 Offering Cottage Grove General Fund
 *Song of Preparation **Speak O Lord**

Scripture Romans 9:1-3 & Romans 10:1-4 (pew Bible, p. 1758)
 Message PRAYING FOR OUR LOST NEIGHBORS
 I. The Meaning
 II. The Motivation
 III. The Value

*Celebration Hymnal 568 **May the Mind of Christ, My Savior**
 *Benediction
 *Celebration Hymnal 439: 1, 5 *Song for the Nations*
 *Postlude

Today at Cottage Grove

- 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship. Rev. Richard Grevengoed, preaching. Offering: Chicagoland Prison Outreach, a ministry to men who are incarcerated in Cook County Jail, those who have been released from correctional institutions and their families. This ministry includes worship services, discipleship classes, individual counseling and the collection and distribution of food, clothing and household items.
- 11:00 a.m. **Sunday School** for 4 year olds – 6th grade. Lesson 2. Homework due: lesson 1.
- 5:30 p.m. Evening Worship. Rev. Nathan Brummel of Divine Hope Seminary, preaching. Offering: Cottage Grove General Fund.
- Plan to stay for a time of coffee Fellowship with Michael and Oetje Madany after the evening service.

This Week at Cottage Grove

- Monday, February 8**
- 6:45 p.m. **Men's Bible Study** meets. Join us to study the Gospel of John. Lesson: John 13.
- Tuesday, February 9**
- 9:45 a.m. **Women's Coffee Break, Story Hour and Nursery** meet. Lesson 6: Romans 13. Join us for Bible Study. Nursery: Bonnie B, Edie G.

- 9:45 a.m. **Men's Coffee Break Bible Study** meets. Lesson: John 14.
 - 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.
 - 7:00 p.m. **Council** meets. A copy of the agenda is posted on the library bulletin board.
- Wednesday, February 10**
- 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, February 11**
- 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, February 14**
- 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship. Rev. Bryce Mensink, preaching. Sermon title: A GROOM'S PROMISE TO HIS BRIDE. Offering: Cottage Grove General Fund.
 - 5:30 p.m. Evening Worship. Rev. Bryce Mensink, preaching. Sermon title: WHY DO GOOD THINGS HAPPEN TO PEOPLE? Offering: Cary Christian Center.
- Wednesday, February 17**
- 5:30 – 6:30 p.m. **Midweek Fellowship Dinner**. Please sign up on the library bulletin board if you plan to attend.

Prayer Requests

- Will B is being treated for blood clots. Pray that treatment will be effective.
- Phil C - pray for continued speech improvement.
- John S is scheduled to have 2 stents placed on Friday, February 12. This will involve an overnight stay and he expects to return home on Saturday, Lord willing. Pray that this procedure will go well and for a good recovery.
- Luke S is now at Manor Care for rehab. He is in Room 263B. His phone # there is: 251-3124. Continue to pray for a complete recovery.
- Ruth T has been treated for a nosebleed. She is back at the Holland Home but the family would appreciate no visitors at this time.
- 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 V K who celebrates his 80th birthday today. "Thank you to all of you who remembered us with words of comfort, prayers and cards on the recent passing of our sister." Jim & Edie G.

The sympathy of the congregation is expressed to Rich & Kathy K and family in the death of Rich's brother, Bob, on Friday, February 5. May the Lord comfort those who mourn the loss of this loved one.

From Mission Committee

Neighbor Love Idea: Make a care package for a college student. Our **MISSION PROJECT** for the month of February is for CHRISTIAN RESOURCES INTERNATIONAL. This is OPERATION BARE YOUR BOOKSHELF. Here is an opportunity to supply Bibles, commentaries, hymnbooks, daily devotionals, discipleship books, missionary stories, concordances, etc. to missionaries on the field. Please place your items on the table in the Fellowship Hall. Thanks for your participation!

Announcements

Save the date: **VBS OLYMPION July 25 – 29**. Many workers are needed.

Attention all VBS staff from Olympion 2012: Do you still have a useable, gold T-shirt with blue lettering? Please contact Carol this week if you have a useable t-shirt. Thank you! (Adult sizes only)

Fannie May candy bars are here! Calvinette Gems are selling Fannie May candy bars again this year. See any Calvinette Gem or Counselor to purchase candy bars. Cost is \$1.25 a bar. Six varieties are 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

Mondays, beginning **February 22**, 7 p.m. Calling all singers! Organist, Nancy Venema, and director, Justin Rich, are inviting you to use your singing voices in the Easter Cantata, *The Day He Wore My Crown*. Rehearsals will be at Lynwood United Reformed Church. The performance will be on **Saturday, April 9**, at 7 p.m. at the same location. Help us fill the choir loft and the church with song!! Looking forward to seeing you there! If you have any questions, please call Justin Rich at 219-374-7920 or email at iamrich4@sbcglobal.net

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 will support Calvin's sports teams.

Wednesday, March 2, Highland Christian School Kindergarten

Readiness Day. Is your child a potential "HCS Husky Pup"? If so, we invite you to register him/her for Kindergarten Readiness Day. Please contact the HCS office at 219-838-0356 for more information.

Sonshine Enrichment Center (the preschool of Highland Christian School) is now accepting registrations for 2016-2017. If you are looking for a preschool that celebrates individuality and nurtures faith, add Sonshine Enrichment Center to your list! We have a variety of classes available for children ages 3 through 5 years old. To learn more, find us online at www.highlandchristian.org or call Jodi Lineburg (219-838-0356 ext. 165) to schedule a personal visit.

Friday, May 20. Spring may seem far away, but the 2016 **GEMS Open** will be here soon! Mark your calendars and join us at Diamond Springs Golf Club in Hamilton, Michigan to help us continue to reach girls everywhere with the message of Jesus! Can't make it to the Michigan outing? Golf at a distance for a discounted rate! Not a golfer? Consider sponsoring the event or donating golf balls, tees, or prizes for our silent auction! For more information contact the GEMS Service Center at (616) 241-5616 ext. 3031 or visit our website (gemsgc.org) and click on the Events link. Register today!

In Service

	February 7	February 14
Organist AM	Joanne H	
Pianist AM		Beth H
Organist PM		Joanne H
Pianist PM	Joan F	
Greeters AM	Alex & Grace H	Terry & Beth H
Greeter-South AM	Luke S	Bob S
Greeters PM	Jim & Edie G	Doris H
Nursery AM	Gail V K Joan F	Kathy K Daniel K
Sound		
Ushers	Bob S Mark U Bob T	Ryan S Rich K Carl E
Video AM/PM	Luke S	Bob S
AM Cookies		
Holland Home Driver	Gene F	Rich 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

Deacon Districts

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