

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 14, 2016
Morning Worship • 9:30 a.m.

Prelude
 *Call to Worship and Prayer
 *Celebration Hymnal 753 *Jesus is Coming Again*
 *Declaration of Trust and God's Greeting
 *Celebration Hymnal 169: 1, 2, 5 *Rejoice Ye Pure in Heart*

The Law of God
 Celebration Hymnal 327 *The Old Rugged Cross*
 Assurance of Pardon
 Congregational Prayer
 Offering *Cottage Grove General Fund*
 *Psalter Hymnal 46: 1, 2, 5 *Lord, to Me Thy Ways Make Known*

Scripture *John 14: 1 – 6 (pew Bible, p. 1675)*
 Sermon *A GROOM'S PROMISE TO HIS BRIDE*
 Prayer of Application

*Psalter Hymnal 376 *O Christ, Our Hope, Our Heart's Desire*
 *Benediction
 *Psalter Hymnal 466: 1, 4 *Onward Christian Soldiers*
 *Postlude

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

Evening Worship • 5:30 p.m.

Prelude
 *Call to Worship and Prayer
 *Celebration Hymnal 353 *Victory in Jesus*
 *Declaration of Trust and God's Greeting
 *Celebration Hymnal 686: 1, 2, 5, 6 **O God, Our Help in Ages Past**
 *Confession of Faith **The Apostles' Creed**

Celebration Hymnal 643 **O Lord, You're Beautiful**
 The Prayers of God's People
 Offering *Cary Christian Center*
 *Psalter Hymnal 448 *Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies*

Scripture *Genesis 2:15 – 17; 3:16 – 24 (pew Bible, p. 4)*
James 1: 16 – 18 (pew Bible, p. 1881)
 Sermon **WHY DO GOOD THINGS HAPPEN TO PEOPLE?**
 Prayer of Application

*Psalter Hymnal 380 **Amazing Grace**
 *Benediction
 *Celebration Hymnal 517: 1, 4 *I will Sing of My Redeemer*
 *Postlude

Today at Cottage Grove

- 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship. Rev. Bryce Mensink, preaching. Offering: Cottage Grove General Fund.
- 11:00 a.m. **Sunday School** for 4 year olds – 6th grade. Lesson 3. Homework due: lesson 2.
- 4 p.m. sharp. **Attention all singers!!** Please join us this afternoon as we prepare to present a cantata on Easter Sunday evening drawn from several cantatas that we have presented in the past. It would be a blessing to have several more voices join our choir members!
- 5:30 p.m. Evening Worship. Rev. Bryce Mensink, preaching. Offering: Cary Christian Center, located in Cary, Mississippi. They provide community health and evangelism by ministering to the whole person through medical, dental, social, spiritual and educational components.

This Week at Cottage Grove

Monday, February 15

- 6:45 p.m. **Men's Bible Study** meets. Join us to study the Gospel of John. Lesson: John 14.

Tuesday, February 16

- 9:45 a.m. **Women's Coffee Break, Story Hour and Nursery** meet. Lesson 7: Romans 14:1-15:13. Join us for Bible Study. Nursery: Bonnie B, Joan F.
- 9:45 a.m. **Men's Coffee Break Bible Study** meets. Lesson: John 15.
- 6:30 p.m. **Education Committee** meets.

- 7:00 p.m. **Worship & Prayer Committee** meets.

Wednesday, February 17

- 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!
- 5:30 – 6:30 p.m. **Midweek Fellowship Dinner**. Please sign up on the library bulletin board if you plan to attend.
- 7:00 p.m. **Calvinette Gems** meet.
- 7:00 p.m. **Cadets** meet.
- 7:00 p.m. **Godly Women Class** meets in the Fellowship House.

Thursday, February 18

- 12:00 noon. **Bulletin** deadline.

Next Week at Cottage Grove

Sunday, February 21

- 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship. Dr. Cornel Venema, preaching. Sermon title: YOUR PEOPLE SHALL BE MY PEOPLE. Offering: Cottage Grove Cadets.
- 5:30 p.m. Evening Worship. Dr. Cornel Venema, preaching. Sermon title: NAOMI'S STRUGGLE WITH THE LORD'S WAYS. Offering: Cottage Grove General Fund.

Prayer Requests

- Will B is being treated for blood clots. Pray that treatment will be effective.
- Phil C - pray for continued speech improvement following a stroke.
- John S's surgery to have 2 stents placed has been postponed until February 26.
- Luke S is 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.
- Willard V Z is being treated for bacterial meningitis at home. Continue to pray for his recovery.
- Continue to pray for the Council as they seek to lead our church.

Our Church Family

Congratulations to Hank B who will celebrate his 84th birthday on February 17.

We welcome Charles B, Evelyn Z and Wayne Z into our fellowship this morning. Chuck and Evelyn come to us as communicant members from Calvary Community Church. Wayne comes as a baptized member from Calvary Community Church.

From Mission Committee

Neighbor Love Idea: Babysit for a young family and give them a free date night.

Our **MISSION PROJECT** for the month of February is OPERATION BARE YOUR BOOKSHELF for CHRISTIAN RESOURCES INTERNATIONAL. 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

The Council has approved the following for our Search Committee: Alecia S, Kathy K, Eileen H, Mark U, Terry W, Marv S, Mike H (Chair), Gene F (Elder), Tim T (Deacon). The entire committee asks for and covets your prayers as we seek God's will for a new Pastor for our church. If you have any questions, please contact Mike H

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 selling fast. 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.

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.

Monday, February 29, 7:00 p.m. In America the average age of first exposure to online pornography is eleven years. What impact does that have on the lives of young people? How might it affect both current and future relationships? Join us at **Calvin Christian School** in South Holland as Unity Christian High School (Hudsonville, MI) Bible teacher, Dan Landstra, will lead an evening to inform and discuss this important issue. All are welcome to join us as we gain a better understanding of pornography's impact on

teens and adults and discuss strategies that can be implemented to guard against its influence.

Wednesday, March 2, Highland Christian School Kindergarten Readiness Day. We invite you to register your child 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 14	February 21
Organist AM		Jan H
Pianist AM	Beth H	
Organist PM	Joanne H	
Pianist PM		Barb U
Greeters AM	Terry & Beth H	Jodie K
Greeter-South AM	Bob S	Gene F
Greeters PM	Doris H	Rich & Kathy K
Nursery AM	Kathy K Daniel K	Candy D Y Dillon H
Ushers	Ryan S Rich K Carl E	Terry W Rick U
Video AM/PM	Bob S	Gene F
AM Cookies		
Holland Home Driver	Rich K	Wally L

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