

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 • March 13, 2016
Morning Worship • 9:30 a.m.

Prelude
 *Call to Worship and Prayer
 *Psalter Hymnal 361 *Praise the Savior*
 *Declaration of Trust and God's Greeting
 *Hymn ***Beneath the Cross***

The Law of God
 *Psalter Hymnal 243: 1, 2, 4 *Thou Art My Portion Lord*
 Assurance of Pardon
 Mission Moment Carol Schaap – Vacation Bible School
 Congregational Prayer
 Offering Cottage Grove General Fund
 *Celebration Hymnal 562 ***Be Thou My Vision***

Scripture Romans 12 (pew Bible, p. 1763)
 Text Romans 12: 1 – 2
 Sermon TRUE WORSHIP FROM TRANSFORMING POWER
 Prayer of Application

*Celebration Hymnal 604 *I Then Shall Live*
 *Closing Prayer
 *Closing Song ***May the Peace***
 *Postlude

*Please stand if able.

Bold denotes projected items.

Evening Worship • 5:30 p.m.

Prelude
 *Call to Worship and Prayer
 *Celebration Hymnal 229 *Cast Thy Burden Upon the Lord*
 *Declaration of Trust and God's Greeting
 Cottage Grove Choir *Only God*
 *Confession of Faith The Apostles' Creed

Cottage Grove Choir *Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross*
 The Prayers of God's People
 Offering Bethshan
 *Psalter Hymnal 329 ***O Love of God, How Strong and True***

Scripture Romans 8 (pew Bible, p. 1756)
 Heidelberg Catechism, Lord's Day 1, Q&A 1 Psalter, p. 8
 Sermon THE TIMELESS COMFORT OF COVENANTAL CARE
 Prayer of Application
 *Hymn ***God of Grace***
 *Closing Prayer
 *Psalter Hymnal 472: 1, 4 *Sun of My Soul*
 *Postlude

Today at Cottage Grove

- 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship. Seminarian Joshua Dykstra, preaching. Offering: Cottage Grove General Fund.
- 11:00 a.m. **Sunday School** for 4 year olds – 6th grade. Lesson 7. Homework due: lesson 6. **3rd/4th grade** Church School: Lesson 6 homework due. **5th grade** catechism: Lesson 17 memory work due.
- 11:00 a.m. **Fellowship Committee** meets.
- 4:00 p.m. **Choir rehearsal.**
- 5:30 p.m. Evening Worship. Seminarian Joshua Dykstra, preaching. Offering: Bethshan, which provides residential care and services for developmentally disabled adults. Residents are helped to develop the skills necessary to function as active, fruitful members of society.

This Week at Cottage Grove

- Monday, March 14**
- 6:45 p.m. **Men's Bible Study** meets. Join us to study the Gospel of John. Lesson: John 18.
- Tuesday, March 15**
- 9:45 a.m. **Women's Coffee Break, Story Hour and Nursery** meet. Lesson 2: *The Joy of Sharing Jesus*. Join us for Bible Study. Nursery: Bonnie B, Joan F.
 - 9:45 a.m. **Men's Coffee Break Bible Study** meets. Lesson: John 19.
 - 6:30 p.m. **Education Committee** meets.
 - 7:00 p.m. **Worship & Prayer Committee** meets.
- Wednesday, March 16**
- 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.** Sign up on the library bulletin board today if you plan to join us for this dinner.
 - 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, March 17**
- 12:00 noon. **Bulletin** deadline.
- Friday, March 18**
- 6 p.m. **Dinner and a Movie Night.** Looking for a family friendly Friday night activity? Come to church for dinner and the movie *Uncle Nino*. The Fellowship Committee will provide a main dish, and asks the congregation to bring a side or dessert. **Sign up on the bulletin board** so we make enough food. Dinner will be at 6 and the movie will start around 7. If you have questions, contact any member of the Fellowship Committee. All are welcome!

Next Week at Cottage Grove

- Sunday, March 20**
- 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship. Rev. Calvin Aardsma, of Bethel CRC, preaching. Sermon title: JOIN THE VICTORY CELEBRATION. Offering: Cottage Grove's Vacation Bible School.
 - 5:30 p.m. Evening Worship. Rev. Calvin Aardsma, preaching. Sermon title: BLESSED ARE THE MEEK. Offering: Cottage Grove General Fund.
 - 7:00 p.m. **Praise Ensemble** practice in the sanctuary.
- Friday, March 25**
- 7:00 p.m. **Good Friday Communion Service.** Pastor Nederhood, preaching.

Prayer Requests

- Elroy H as he recovers from surgery for colon cancer.
- Luke S is at Manor Care for rehab. He is in Room 263B. His phone # there is: 251-3124. Pray for a complete recovery.
- Faith S is in Intensive Care at South Suburban Hospital. Pray for healing. Pray also for Len & Rachel as they wait patiently at her side.
- The Pastoral Search Committee asks the congregation for continued prayers.

Our Church Family

Congratulations to John S who celebrates his 88th birthday today; to Pearl R who will celebrate her 86th birthday on March 15; and to Cele B who will celebrate her 82nd birthday on March 19.

From Mission Committee

Neighbor Love Idea: Choose 7 neighbors or acquaintances, and pray for one, each day of the week.
 Our **Mission Project** for March is **P.A.S.S. Baby Shower.** Donations of diapers of every size, wipes, baby bottles, shampoo, lotion, bibs, receiving blankets, crib sheets, clothing, formula, etc.

for our local P.A.S.S. center. Thank you for your faithful support!

A n n o u n c e m e n t s

VBS OLYMPION July 25 – 29. Signup sheets are out today! Prayerfully consider where YOU can help and sign up soon.

Calvinette Gems greatly appreciates and thanks the congregation for their support of our Fannie May candy bar sales.

R e q u e s t e d A n n o u n c e m e n t s

Illiana Cadet Council is looking for advertisers for the 2016 Cadet Super Saturday program. This year's event will take place on April 9, 2016. Please contact Rick U for the information to submit an ad by **March 18**. Thank you for your support.

Mondays, 7 p.m. Rehearsal for the Easter Cantata *The Day He Wore My Crown* at Lynwood United Reformed Church. **Calling all singers!** It's not too late to join us. If you have any questions, please call Justin Rich at 219-374-7920 or email at iamrich4@sbcglobal.net

Thursday, March 17. Lansing Christian School Open House starting at 5:30 pm, before the 7:00 band/choir concert, for families who are interested in exploring our high quality academics taught from a Christ centered perspective. If you are interested in attending, or want to learn more about Lansing Christian School, call the office at 708-474-1700 for more information.

Saturday March 19, 7:00 p.m. Harmony of Generations Concert with Men of A-Chord and Timothy Christian High School Choir at Timothy (188 Butterfield Rd., Elmhurst, IL). Each choir will sing separately and will join together as a mass chorus with Justin Rich and Erin Lanenga directing. The Timothy Jazz Band will be participating with plenty of audience participation in song. Make plans now for a great evening of song and praise. Proceeds from a free will offering will benefit the Timothy Christian High School Choral Department. For information please see our website at www.menofachord.org or contact a member of the Men of A-Chord.

Tuesday, March 22, 2:00, 3:30, and 5:00 p.m. Mid-America Reformed Seminary invites you to join Dr. Derek Thomas, Robert Strong Professor of Systematic and Pastoral Theology at Reformed Theological Seminary in Atlanta, for this year's Spring Conference entitled "The Problem of Pain." This series of lectures will concentrate on the Book of Job, the question of why Christ had to suffer, and rejoicing in tribulation. Dr. Thomas will present these three lectures at the seminary.

Thursday, March 31, 11:30 a.m. Bible League Women's Luncheon at Teibel's Restaurant in Schererville, IN. A "Thrift Store Fashion Show" will be our program, music with Susan Van Kley. Prayer Reminders from Africa will be available. An offering will be taken to raise funds for Bibles for Africa. Call Pearl R (708-331-2240) for your reservation by Monday, March 21. Tickets are \$16 (chicken) or \$20 (fish).

Saturday, April 9, 7:00 - 10:30 a.m. Lansing Christian School 8th grade Pancake Breakfast. All you can eat pancakes,

sausage, orange juice, milk and coffee. It's for a great cause, so bring the whole family.

Saturday April 9, 7:00 p.m. The newly formed "**Community of Praise Chorale**" invites you to their Easter Cantata program, "The Day He Wore My Crown". The program will be at Lynwood United Reformed Church (1990 Glenwood-Dyer Rd., Lynwood, IL). Justin Rich, director; Nancy Venema, organist; and Rebecca Walstra, pianist. Joining them are soloists, Courtney Van Kley, Susan Van Kley, Mark Uittenbogaard, and David Buursma. Make your plans now for a great evening of song and praise. Proceeds from a free will offering will benefit the Mid-America Reformed Seminary.

Monday, April 11, 9:30-11:30 a.m., 1:00-3:00 p.m. and 5:00-7:00 p.m. Lansing Christian School Open House for families who are interested in exploring our high quality academics taught from a Christ centered perspective. For more information, call the school office at 708-474-1700.

Thursday, April 21, 7:00 p.m. Roseland Christian Ministries Spring Banquet *40 Years: A Constant in a Changing World* at Georgio's (8800 W. 159th St., Orland Park). Reservations are required (high school age +). Contact Mary Houtsma (708-539-0805) for reservations or for more details.

Trinity Christian College scholarship letters have been placed in your mailbox. Donations may be sent to Trinity using the pre-addressed envelope attached to the letter. Thanks for your support.

I n S e r v i c e

	March 13	March 20
Organist AM	Arlene V Z	Arlene V Z
Pianist AM	Beth H	
Organist PM	Joanne H	
Pianist PM		Joan F
Greeters AM	John & Betty S	Bob & Cheri S
Greeter-South AM	Tom V K	Dick S
Greeters PM	Luke S	Marv & Carol S
Nursery AM	Bethany T Bethany W	Judith E Bonnie B
Ushers	Ryan S Rich K Carl E	Terry W Rick U
Video AM/PM	Tom V K	Dick S
AM Cookies	Cele B	Lois B
Holland Home Driver	Dave V K	Ken B

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



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GOD'S SPIRIT,
 we are called to
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CONNECT new and established believers in fellowship
COME together around God's word, His table, and in prayer
CULTIVATE disciples for His service.

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