

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 20, 2016**  
**Morning Worship • 9:30 a.m.**

Prelude	
*Call to Worship and Prayer	Psalm 47: 5 – 7
*Responsive Reading	
Celebration Hymnal 298	Hosanna to the Son of David
*Celebration Hymnal 297	<b><i>Hosanna, Loud Hosanna</i></b>
	Processional for Sunday School Children
Sunday School Sings	<i>Rocks, Keep Silent</i>
*Declaration of Trust and God's Greeting	
*Celebration Hymnal 299	<i>In the Name of the Lord</i>
Call to Confession	Psalm 53: 1 – 3
Prayer of Confession - Psalter Hymnal 152	<i>Remember Not, O God</i>
Assurance of Pardon	Psalm 51: 17
Guide to Thankful Living	Reading of the Law
Preparing for the Lord's Supper	Psalter, p. 155
Congregational Prayer	
Offering	Cottage Grove Vacation Bible School
*Psalter Hymnal 42	<i>Ye Gates Lift Your Heads</i>
Scripture	Psalm 24 (pew Bible, p. 862)
Sermon	JOIN THE VICTORY CELEBRATION
Prayer of Application	
*Celebration Hymnal 300	<b><i>All Glory Laud and Honor</i></b>
*Benediction	
*Celebration Hymnal 301	<i>We Will Glorify</i>
*Postlude	

**Evening Worship • 5:30 p.m.**

Prelude	
*Call to Worship	
*Celebration Hymnal 311	<b><i>Hallelujah, What a Savior!</i></b>
*Declaration of Trust and Greeting	
*Celebration Hymnal 306	<i>Alas! and Did My Savior Bleed</i>
*Confession of Faith	The Apostles' Creed
Psalter Hymnal 353	<b><i>Beneath the Cross of Jesus</i></b>
Prayers of God's People	
Offering	Cottage Grove General Fund
*Psalter Hymnal 452	<b><i>Have Thine Own Way</i></b>
Scripture	Matthew 5: 1 – 12 (pew Bible, p. 1501)
Text	Matthew 5: 5
Sermon	BLESSED ARE THE MEEK
Prayer of Application	
*Celebration Hymnal 568: 1, 2, 4, 5	
*Benediction	<b><i>May the Mind of Christ, My Savior</i></b>
*Celebration Hymnal 237	<i>Lord Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing</i>
*Postlude	

**Today at Cottage Grove**

- 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship. Rev. Calvin Aardsma, preaching. Rev. Aardsma has served on the Pastoral Staff at Bethel Christian Reformed Church in Lansing, IL, for the past 10 years. Offering: Cottage Grove's Vacation Bible School.
- 11:00 a.m. **Sunday School** for 4 year olds – 6th grade. Lesson 8. Homework due: lesson 7. **3rd/4th grade** Church School: Lesson 7 homework due. **5th grade** catechism: Lesson 18 memory work due.
- No **Choir rehearsal**.
- 5:30 p.m. Evening Worship. Rev. Calvin Aardsma, preaching. Offering: Cottage Grove General Fund
- 7:00 p.m. **Praise Ensemble** practice in the sanctuary.

**This Week at Cottage Grove**

**Monday, March 21**

- 6:45 p.m. **Men's Bible Study** meets. Join us to study the Gospel of John. Lesson: John 19.

**Tuesday, March 22**

- 9:45 a.m. **Women's Coffee Break, Story Hour and Nursery** meet. Lesson 3: *The Joy of Sharing Jesus*. Join us for Bible Study. Nursery: Bonnie B, Edie G.
- 9:45 a.m. **Men's Coffee Break Bible Study** meets. Lesson: John 20.
- 7:00 p.m. **Consistory** meets.

\*Please stand if able.

**Bold** denotes projected items.

### Wednesday, March 23

- 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!
- 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. **Calvinette Gems** Mother Daughter night.

### Thursday, March 24

- 12:00 noon. **Bulletin** deadline.
- 7:00 p.m. **Choir** rehearsal.

### Friday, March 25

- 7:00 p.m. **Good Friday Communion Service**. Pastor Nederhood, preaching. Sermon title: WHEN WORDS FAIL. Lord's Supper. Offering: Story Runners for the support of Nick & Erica Dettman. Organist: Joanne H; Ushers: Terry W, Rick U; Holland Home Driver: Ken B.
- 7:00 p.m. **Choir** rehearsal with narrators.

### Saturday, March 26

- 10:00 a.m. **Praise Ensemble** practice in the sanctuary.

### Next Week at Cottage Grove

### Sunday, March 27

- 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship. Rev. Jeff De Boer, preaching. Sermon title: JOIN THE VICTORY CELEBRATION. Offering: Cottage Grove General Fund.
- 5:30 p.m. Evening Worship. Rev. Jeff De Boer, preaching. Sermon title: BLESSED ARE THE MEEK. Offering: Pacific Garden Mission.

### Prayer Requests

- Phil C as he recovers following surgery to have part of his leg amputated.
- Elroy H as he recovers from surgery for colon cancer.
- Luke S has moved to Room 269A at Manor Care. His phone # there is: 251-3135. He is also being treated for a bacterial infection. Continue to pray for his 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.
- Herman Z as he recovers after hip surgery following a fall.
- The Pastoral Search Committee asks the congregation for continued prayers.

### Our Church Family

"Thank you for your prayers, cards, and expressions of concern during Willard's recent hospitalization and "at home care". We have been truly blessed." Willard and Arlene V Z.

### From Mission Committee

**Neighbor Love Idea:** Invite a neighbor to Good Friday Service and Easter Service and then invite them to a brunch or dinner at your home.

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!

### Announcements

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

There are a number of **containers and various serving dishes** that have been

left at church. Please check the table in the Fellowship Hall to see if any belong to you and take them home. Thank you.

### Requested Announcements

**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 Reinhout (708-331-2240) for your reservation by Monday, March 21. Tickets are \$16 (chicken) or \$20 (fish).

**Friday, April 8**, 7:30 p.m. **Calvin College Women's Chorale** will present a concert with **Illiana Christian High School Women's Chorale** at Peace CRC. All are cordially invited to attend.

**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. 159<sup>th</sup> St., Orland Park). Reservations are required (high school age +). Contact Mary Houtsma (708-539-0805) for reservations or for more details.

**Friday, April 22, Evening for Calvin.** Times: soda bar 6:30 p.m., dinner 7:00 p.m., entertainment 7:30 p.m. at Villa Cesare (900 Eagle Ridge Drive, Schererville, IN.). This banquet offers opportunities for you to partner with Calvin through financial gifts, prayer, and fellowship. The evening's entertainment will include comedian Mike Toomey, the CCS Praise Band, and Faces of Light drama troupe. RSVP by April 15, to reserve seats for you, your friends and family. There is no ticket cost, but seats are reserved.

**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 20	March 27
Organist AM	Arlene V Z	Arlene V Z
Pianist AM		
Organist PM		Joanne H
Pianist PM	Joan F	
Greeters AM	Bob & Cheri S	Ryan & Alecia S
Greeter-South AM	Dick S	Neil V
Greeters PM	Marv & Carol S	Dick & Judy S
Nursery AM	Judith E Bonnie B	Ria B Beth E
Ushers	Terry W Rick U	Terry W Rick U
Video AM/PM	Dick S	Neil V
AM Cookies	Lois B	Bonnie B
Holland Home Driver	Ken B	Gene F

**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