Welcome to Cottage Grove Church and to our services of worship today. This morning we are celebrating the sacrament of the Lord's Supper. This is the table of the Lord set for all who are trusting in the mercy of Christ for the forgiveness of sin and who are seeking to live according to his commandments. If you are visiting with us and are a professing member in good standing of an evangelical church, we cordially invite you to commune with us. Plan to stay for coffee and fellowship following the service. Recordings of our services are available on our website or on compact disk which can be ordered by calling the church office or by 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 • April 24, 2016 Morning Worship • 9:30 a.m.

Prelude

*Call to Worship and Prayer

*Psalter Hymnal 180 It Is Good to Sing Thy Praises

*Declaration of Trust and God's Greeting

The Law of God

Ministry of Music Calvary

Courtney V K and Mark U

Assurance of Pardon

Congregational Prayer

Offering Cottage Grove General Fund *Song *As a Deer in Want of Water

Scripture John 4: 1 – 26 (pew Bible, p. 1651) Text John 4: 15

Sermon A REQUEST FOR WATER

Prayer of Application

*Psalter Hymnal 423:1, 3, 4 Deck Thyself, My Soul, With Gladness Celebration of the Lord's Supper Psalter, p. 155

*Psalter Hymnal 407 Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

*Benediction

*Doxology Sent Forth by God's Blessing

*Postlude

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

Evening Worship • 5:30 p.m.

Prelude

*Call to Worship and Prayer

*Psalter Hymnal 314 Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

*Declaration of Trust and God's Greeting

*Psalter Hymnal 327 **Praise to the Lord, the Almighty**

*Confession of Faith The Nicene Creed (Psalter, p. 4)

*Psalter Hymnal 491 Glory Be to the Father

The Prayers of God's People

Offering Lansing Christian School
*Psalter Hymnal 431: 1, 4 Our Father, Clothed with Majesty

Scripture Romans 12 (pew Bible, p. 1763) Sermon DISCERNING GOD'S WILL

Prayer of Application

*Psalter Hymnal 402 Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken

*Benediction

*Closing Song God, the Father of Your People

*Postlude

Today at Cottage Grove

- 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship. Rev. Rich Blauw, preaching. Offering: Cottage Grove General Fund. Lord's Supper.
- 11:00 a.m. Sunday School for 4 year olds 6th grade. Lesson
 12. Homework due: lesson 11. 3rd/4th grade Church School: Lesson 11 homework due. 5th grade catechism: Lesson 22 memory work due.
- 4:15 p.m. Choir meets to practice our songs for Ascension Day.
- 5:30 p.m. Evening Worship. Rev. Rich Blauw, preaching. Offering: Lansing Christian School.

This Week at Cottage Grove

Monday, April 25

• 7:00 p.m. **Deacon's** meet.

Tuesday, April 26

■ 7:00 p.m. Consistory meets.

Wednesday, April 27

- 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, April 28

12:00 noon. Bulletin deadline.

Next Week at Cottage Grove

Sunday, May 1

 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship. Rev. Ken Anema, preaching. Offering: Cottage Grove's Vacation Bible School. 5:30 p.m. Evening Worship. Rev. Mark Vander Hart, preaching. Sermon: ROOT LIFE IN LOVE. Offering: Cottage Grove General Fund.

Thursday, May 5

7:30 p.m. Combined ASCENSION DAY Worship Service at First Christian Reformed Church of South Holland. Singers are invited to join the members of First CRC choir. Rehearsal will be on Thursday, May 5, at 7 p.m.

Coming Events

Sunday, May 8

- **Deadline** for the May/June *Profile*. Please e-mail the church office or place items in the mailbox by the church office. Your contributions of articles, news items and pictures will be most welcome. See Dave & Gail V K with questions.
- VBS OLYMPION July 25 29, 8:50 a.m. noon, ages 4 14. Head Coach Recruiting for Olympion Team! Get your summer schedule in shape! Plan now to sign up for Olympion, exciting VBS inspiring children to run with Joshua, that great champion of the faith whose wholehearted obedience to the Lord points us to Christ. Classroom teachers and Assistant Teachers (husband/wife team of seniors are encouraged), recreation leaders, nursery help, decoration designers and more are needed to get Olympion up and running. Please contact Carol S or sign up at the VBS table to join our team!
- VBS Prayer Team. Please consider joining a weekly prayer time for VBS. If you are interested, please sign up at the VBS table. Time to be determined by participants.

Prayer Requests

- Phil C as he recovers after having part of his leg amputated.
- Elroy H as he recovers from surgery for colon cancer.
- Mike K as both of his feet were broken in a fall.
- Luke S is in Room 269A at Manor Care. His phone # there is: 251-3135. Continue to pray for his recovery.
- Faith S has been moved to Glenshire Nursing & Rehab Centre in Richton Park, IL. She opens her eyes sometimes, is still on a vent, has a trach and feeding tube. The road ahead is long and difficult. They are so blessed by our prayers, cards, and gifts, and wish to thank the congregation for them. Visitors are welcome. Len and Rachel are generally there between noon and 7 p.m. See 'Card Shower' announcement for address and room number.
- Continue to pray for the work of the Pastoral Search Committee.

Our Church Family

CARD SHOWER for Faith S! Glenshire Nursing & Rehab Centre, 22660 S. Cicero Avenue, Richton Park, IL 60471, Room #323.

From Mission Committee

Neighbor Love Idea: Share with a neighbor what Jesus means to

you.

Our mission project for the month of May is for Pacific Garden Mission. The Mission has a great need for the following items: Men's underwear (briefs, undershirts, socks in all sizes), new or lightly used regular size towels, new or lightly used twin size sheets and blankets, toothpaste and tooth brushes. Donations may be brought to church. Remember to pray for this ministry and for the Holy Spirit's transforming work in those who are served. If anyone is willing to deliver our donations to Pacific Garden Mission please contact the church office.

Announcements

The Worship and Prayer Committee is looking for **Prayer Partners**. Please prayerfully consider joining this vital ministry of our church. See Alecia Stegenga, Rick Uittenbogaard, or any member of the committee.

Requested Announcements

Thursday, April 28, 7:30 p.m. Lansing Christian **Association Meeting** will be held in the school gym. Plan to be present to hear various reports, vote on board nominees and the proposed budget. Flyers about the budget and board nominees are available online at www.lansingchristian.org. You may drop off absentee ballots at the LCS office.

Monday, May 2, 7:30 p.m. **Highland Christian School Society Meeting** will be held in the school gym. On the agenda will be the election of three school board nominees: Dave Bosman, Bridget De Young, and Randy De Vries, and the approval of the 2016/2017 budget. The agenda is available at www.highlandchristian.org. Printed copies of the agenda are available in the school office.

Friday, May 6, 7 p.m. Divine Hope Reformed Bible Seminary's Dessert Night Fundraiser at Illiana Christian High School in Lansing, IL. Come for desserts and snacks and stay for the rich testimony of God's faithfulness to prisoners in Indiana and Illinois. Our featured speaker will be Rev. Mark Casson, an ex-offender who spent 14 years behind bars and is now Executive Director of Metanoia Prison Ministries. For more information, visit the seminary website at www.dhrbs.org to sign up, or call or text Dr. George Pierson at 708-557-0538.

Saturday, May 7, 7:00 p.m. Men of A-Chord Night of Song at First Christian Reformed Church of South Holland (16248 South Park Ave., South Holland, IL. NOTE our new location.) The concert will include the Heritage Singing Men of Jenison, MI. Each choir will sing numbers separately and a number of songs together as a mass chorus. There will be brass instrumental and plenty of audience participation in singing many old favorites you love to sing! Make your plans now for a great evening of song and praise to our great God. A free will offering will be taken. For information please see our website at www.menofachord.org or contact any member of the Men of A-Chord.

Tuesday, May 17. Chicagoland Prison Outreach is requesting Table Hosts for their most important funding event of the year:

Evening of Thanksgiving banquet at the Serbian Social Center on 186th St. and Stony Island in Lansing. As always, their program will demonstrate through testimonies the life-changing power of God's Word and Spirit through the ministry of CPO. If you are willing to be a Table Host or wish to attend this event, please contact Carol Schaap or Gail at the office before May 1. Our missionary Dan Swets and the CPO staff thank you!

Wednesday, May 18, Lansing Christian School will be holding its much anticipated BBQ Fundraiser! Order LCS' famous BBQ (sloppy joes) today. Go to www.lansingchristian.org to place your order or call the school office at 708-474-1700. The price is \$6.00/lb. They are only making 600 lbs. so first come, first served! Orders are due by May 13. Pick up date for the BBQ will be on Wednesday, May 18, by the kitchen from 12:00-5:30 p.m.

Saturday, May 21, 3 p.m. Please join us for **Roseland Christian Ministries**' dedication of the Van Zanten Center at 10846 S. Michigan Ave. Parking and security is available. Light refreshments will be served.

Saturday, June 4, 7:00 p.m. **Men of A-Chord Concert** with the Gospel Singers of Pella, IA, at First Christian Reformed Church of South Holland (16248 South Park Ave., South Holland, IL.) Plan to join for a great evening of praise to God.

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	In Service	
	April 24	May 1
Organist AM	Arlene V Z	Justin R
Pianist AM	Beth H	
Organist PM		
Pianist PM	Joan F	Barb U
Greeters AM	Paul & Janet V K	John & Barb V K
Greeter-South AM	Bob S	Rick U
Greeters PM	Dave & Gail V K	Neil & Joanne V
Nursery AM	Kathy K Daniel K	Candy D Y Dillon H
Ushers	John H	Bob S
	Tom V K	Mark U
	Dave V K	Bob T
Video AM/PM	Bob S	Rick U
AM Cookies	Joanne H	Eileen H
Holland Home Driver	Dave V K	Dick S
Elder Districts Deacon Districts		