

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 • July 3, 2016
Morning Worship • 9:30 a.m.

Prelude
 *Call to Worship and Prayer
 *Hymn **Here I Am to Worship**
 *Declaration of Trust and God's Greeting
 *Hymn **Speak, O Lord**

The Law of God
 Psalter Hymnal 1 **That Man Is Blest**
 Assurance of Pardon
 Congregational Prayer
 Offering Cottage Grove's Vacation Bible School
 *Psalter Hymnal 455 **In the Hour of Trial**

Scripture Genesis 22: 1 – 14 (pew Bible, p. 31)
 Sermon THE COST OF SALVATION
 Prayer of Application

*Psalter Hymnal 424 **Just As I Am, Without One Plea**
 *Benediction
 *Celebration Hymnal 343 **Amazing Grace**
 *Postlude

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

Evening Worship • 5:30 p.m.

Prelude
 *Call to Worship and Prayer
 *Celebration Hymnal 224: 1, 2 **We Have Come Into His House**
 *Declaration of Trust and God's Greeting
 *Psalter Hymnal 232: 1, 2, 4 **O Praise the Lord, for He is Good**
 *Confession of Faith **The Apostles' Creed** (Psalter, p. 3)

*Psalter Hymnal 330: all **O Jesus, We Adore Thee**
 The Prayers of God's People
 Offering Pregnancy Aid South Suburbs
 *Psalter Hymnal 36 **The Ends of All the Earth Shall Hear**

Scripture Genesis 22: 15 – 19 (pew Bible, p. 32)
 Sermon THE BENEFITS OF SALVATION
 Prayer of Application

*Psalter Hymnal 400 **Shout, for the Blessed Jesus Reigns**
 *Benediction
 *Celebration Hymnal 235: all **Take the Name of Jesus with You**
 *Postlude

Today at Cottage Grove

9:30 a.m. Morning Worship. Dr. Alan Strange, of Mid-America Reformed Seminary, preaching. Offering: Cottage Grove's Vacation Bible School.
 5:30 p.m. Evening Worship. Dr. Alan Strange, preaching. Offering: Pregnancy Aid South Suburbs.
 Join us for a **Bonfire Night** immediately following the evening worship service! Please bring one of the following to share: hot dogs/buns, ingredients for s'mores, pudgy pies, chips and dip, or dessert. If you have hot dog forks and/or pudgy pie makers, please bring those too! Feel free to dress casual for the worship service, and make sure to bring a lawn chair! If you have questions, contact Mark U at (708) 955-5221.

This Week at Cottage Grove

Tuesday, July 5
 6:30 p.m. **Prayer for VBS and Council** at church. Come when you can and leave when you must.

Wednesday, July 6
 6:30 – 7:45 a.m. **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!

Saturday, July 9
 10 – 11 a.m. **VBS Singing Team** practice at church.

Next Week at Cottage Grove

Sunday, July 10
 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship. Rev. Joseph Brinks, preaching. Offering: Cottage Grove General Fund.
 5:30 p.m. Evening Worship. Mr. Cary Gephart, preaching. Offering: Trinity Christian College.

Wednesday, July 13
 7:00 - 8:45 p.m. The **Pastoral Search Team** invites you to a series of **congregational meetings** during which we will discern and discuss our future life and ministry as a congregation. The meetings will take place on Wednesdays (July 13 & 27) in the Fellowship Hall. The Search Team encourages participants to attend each of these meetings.

Thursday, July 14
 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. **VBS Singing Team** practice at church.

Friday, July 15
 6:30 p.m. **VBS Flyer Distribution Night**. Please join us for a walk through the neighborhood surrounding church to place information on doors regarding VBS and our church. Light refreshments will follow our walk.

Coming Events

Sunday, July 17
 Our missionaries Eric & Penny Schering will be with us for the day. All are invited to join us for a **potluck lunch** following the morning service. Please bring a dish of your choice to share. No sign up is needed. Come fellowship with us as we share a meal together. If you have questions contact Angela U.

VBS OLYMPION July 25 – 29, 8:50 a.m. – 12 noon, ages 4-14.

- NEEDED:** 1 Classroom **Teacher** (for 4 year olds – K) and 1 **helper**. Two small/medium **paramedic outfits** to borrow. Contact Carol.
- VBS Prayer Request** sheets are on the VBS table.
- Prayer Partner Sign-Up Sheets** are on the VBS table. Highlighted names will be covered by 1st CRC. You do NOT need to be present to be a Prayer Partner. You are agreeing to pray for the teacher/assistant teacher and the children throughout VBS. Please feel free to sign-up for one or more classes. We need people who will also commit to praying for the other staff members who are listed on the Prayer Request sheet. Thank you so much for sharing in this ministry with your prayers! Questions? Contact Carol S.
- VBS needs your help**. Please visit the VBS table and pick up information bags to invite family, friends, or neighborhood children to VBS. Please take as many as you can use.

Prayer Requests

Dick S as he continues his treatment for cancer.
 Faith S who is at Glenshire Nursing & Rehab Centre, 22660 S. Cicero Ave., Room 323, Richton Park, IL 60471.

- The members of the **Pastoral Search Committee** are thankful that God has provided five candidates for Interim Pastor. Please pray for us to have wisdom, patience, and discernment as we examine these men.

Our Church Family

Congratulations to Darald U who will celebrate his 82nd birthday on July 4 and to Joanne V who will celebrate her 81st birthday on July 9.

From Mission Committee

Neighbor Love Idea: Invite a family over for a Fourth of July get-together.

Announcements

The **Church Office** will be closed through July 8.

The **Church Office** will now be closed on Mondays. The Office will be open Tuesday through Friday from 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. Messages may be left at any time through e-mail or voice mail. Please contact your district elder or deacon if you have any pastoral needs.

The Worship and Prayer Committee is looking for members for a **Prayer Team**. Please consider joining this vital ministry of our church. See Alecia S, Rick U, or any member of the committee.

Requested Announcements

Monday, July 4, 8 a.m. PRAYER AT THE GATES: Every year, believers gather at all the gates of South Holland to pray for this village and our nation. Please join us for about half an hour at our usual spot - the Route 6/I-94 South Holland sign.

Cyclists - Save the date: **Saturday, October 8**. Join a group of Roseland Christian Ministries' supporters for a 40 mile bike ride, to help celebrate RCM's 40th anniversary, starting in Palos Heights (shorter routes will also be available, including a family option). Send your email address to: pedal40@roselandchristianministries.org to occasionally receive more information and updates.

In Service

	July 3	July 10
Organist AM	Jan H	
Pianist AM		
Organist PM	Joanne H	
Pianist PM		
Greeters AM	Karen K	Wally & Arlene L
Greeter-South AM	Luke S	Ken B
Greeters PM	Rich & Kathy K	Warren & Lee M
Nursery AM	Gail V K Joan F	Kathy K Daniel K
Ushers	Bob S Mark U Bob T	Ryan S Rich K Carl E
Video AM/PM	Luke S	Ken B
AM Cookies	Lee M	
Holland Home Driver	Rich K	Wally L
Sound Operator	Marv S	Bob T