

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 • August 14, 2016
Morning Worship • 9:30 a.m.

Prelude
 *Call to Worship and Prayer
 *Celebration Hymnal 55 *Bless His Holy Name*
 *Declaration of Trust and God's Greeting
 *Psalter Hymnal 328 ***My God, How Wonderful Thou Art***

The Law of God
 Psalter Hymnal 94 ***God, Be Merciful to Me***
 Assurance of Pardon
 Congregational Prayer
 Offering Pacific Garden Mission Summer Meals
 *Psalter Hymnal 284 *Give Thanks to God, for Good Is He*

Scripture Matthew 5: 1 – 12 (pew Bible, p. 1501)
 Text Matthew 5: 7
 Sermon BLESSED ARE THE MERCIFUL
 Prayer of Application

*Psalter Hymnal 201 *O My Soul, Bless Thou Jehovah*
 *Closing Prayer
 *Hymn of the Month - Psalter Hymnal 493 ***Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow***

*Postlude

*Please stand if able.

Bold denotes projected items.

Evening Worship • 5:30 p.m.

Prelude
 *Call to Worship and Prayer
 *Psalter Hymnal 379 *Lord Jesus, I Long to Be Perfectly Whole*
 *Declaration of Trust and God's Greeting
 *Psalter Hymnal 311 *We Praise Thee, O God*
 *Confession of Faith The Apostles' Creed

Celebration Hymnal 713 *Seek Ye First*
 The Prayers of God's People
 Offering Cottage Grove General Fund
 Offertory *We, My People, Praise Thee*
Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow
 Oboe Trio: Grace H / Esther L / Mayra T
 *Psalter Hymnal 394 *Spirit of God, Dwell Thou Within My Heart*

Scripture Matthew 5: 1 – 12 (pew Bible, p. 1501)
 Text Matthew 5: 8
 Sermon BLESSED ARE THE PURE IN HEART
 Prayer of Application

*Celebration Hymnal 139: 1, 2 ***Great Is Thy Faithfulness***
 *Benediction
 *Celebration Hymnal 139: 3 ***"Pardon for sin..."***
 *Postlude

Today at Cottage Grove

- 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship. Dr. Cornel Venema, preaching. Offering: Pacific Garden Mission Summer Meals.
- 5:30 p.m. Evening Worship. Dr. Cornel Venema, preaching. Offering: Cottage Grove General Fund.

This Week at Cottage Grove

Tuesday, August 16

- 6:30 p.m. **Education Committee** meets.

Wednesday, August 17

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

Thursday, August 18

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

Next Week at Cottage Grove

Sunday, August 21

- 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship. Dr. Nederhood, preaching. Sermon title: BREAD FOR BOTH LIVES. Offering: Cottage Grove General Fund.

- 5:30 p.m. Evening Worship. Dr. Nederhood, preaching. Sermon title: GLORIOUSLY SIGNIFICANT LIVES. Offering: GEMS Service Center.

Monday, August 22

- 10:30 a.m. **Coffee Break Leaders** meeting at church.

Prayer Requests

- Betty C who is at Manor Care for rehab following a fall.
- Myrtis H is at Manor Care in Homewood for rehabilitation therapy.
- 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.

From Mission Committee

Neighbor Love Idea: Buy some special school supplies for the neighborhood children.

Announcements

GEMS is looking for a few ladies to join our counseling staff. If you can spare a few Wednesday nights each month to encourage girls in their walk with God, we'd love to have you join us! Contact Grace Hansum (708.305.7365 or cottagetrovegems@yahoo.com) if interested.

LOST & FOUND: a woman's watch was found in the parking lot this past week. Please see Gail to identify it.

Requested Announcements

Saturday, August 20, 4-6 p.m. Lost and Found is partnering with churches in the village of South Holland to bring you an event called "**Pray South Holland.**" Inspired by Moody's "Pray Chicago," our event seeks to unite Christians in the village of South Holland for a joint service of worship and prayer at Thorn Creek Reformed Church. This will be our very first event and we'd love for you to come support us and be a part of what God is doing. Hope to see you there!

Saturday, September 10, 4:30 – 7:00 p.m. **Lansing Christian School's Annual Steak Fry** will be held in the gym. Join us for a delicious meal of steak, salad, potatoes, corn on the cob and dessert! Cost: freewill offering benefiting the General Fund. Questions? - Please call school at 708-474-1700.

Thursday, September 22, 6:00 p.m. **Illiana Right to Life Banquet** at Avalon Manor (3550 East US Highway 30, Merrillville). Keynote speaker is Angela Minor. See the library bulletin board for more details.

Friday, September 23, Lansing Christian School's 46th Annual Fall Festival & Auction will be held at the school. Come for dinner at The Food Court which opens at 5:00 p.m. and stay for the Live Auction which begins at 6:00 p.m. Silent auction will be held from 5:30-7:30 p.m. with the gift certificate auction from 6:00-8:00 p.m. Games for the children will begin at 6:00 p.m. Bring the entire family for a fun-filled evening. For more information, you may call the school office at 708-474-1700.

Saturday, October 1, 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. A Conference on Restorative Justice at Trinity Christian College. See the poster on the library bulletin board or pick up a brochure for more details.

October 8, Cyclist reminder: Roseland Christian Ministries will host a 40 mile bike ride to help celebrate RCM's 40th anniversary (shorter routes will also be available, including a family option). The ride will begin at 8:00 a.m. on Trinity Christian College's campus in the parking lot of the Bootsma Bookstore Café and take place on the Cal-Sag trail. Registration fee of \$40. Interested cyclists please send your email address to pedal40@roselandchristianministries.org and check out the website at <http://www.roselandchristianministries.org/events/40-mile-bike-ride-for-rcm/>

Thursday, October 13. PASS banquet "Through HIS Loving Eyes" at Odyssey Country Club. Speaker: Dr. George Scipione, Director of the Biblical Counseling Institute at Reformed Presbyterian Theological Seminary in Pittsburgh, P.A. Would you consider underwriting the cost of a table for \$350 per table for this night? Each table seats 10 people and we would appreciate having people who support the work of PASS be the attendees. Our hope is that those who attend would consider becoming a monthly, quarterly or yearly supporter of our ministry. Our goal is to "defend the unborn and restore the family".

Oct. 28 – Nov. 9, 2017. Dr. Cornel and Nancy Venema will be hosting a **13 day tour to Germany, France, and Switzerland** to celebrate the 500th anniversary of the beginning of the Protestant Reformation. Anyone interested in joining the tour, see the Mid-America Reformed Seminary website (www.midamerica.edu) for more information.

Illiana Christian High School is now accepting applications for a part-time custodian. Hours will be Monday through Friday, 5:00 pm – 10:30 pm. You can pick up an application in the school's office or download it from our website, www.illianachristian.org. If you have any questions please contact AJ Turkstra at 708-474-0515 ext. 15 or Duane Kamstra at 708-474-0515 ext. 47.

I n S e r v i c e		
	August 14	August 21
Organist AM		Jan H
Pianist AM	Angela U	
Organist PM		
Pianist PM	Barb U	Barb U
Greeters AM	Tim & Bethany T	Will & Gert V M
Greeter-South AM	Gene F	Dick S
Greeters PM	Mark & Angela U	Rick & Barb U
Nursery AM	Will & Gert V M	Judith E Bonnie B
Ushers	Ryan S Rich K Carl E	Terry W Rick U Hank B
Video AM/PM	Gene F	Dick S
AM Cookies	Bonnie B	Barb U
Holland Home Driver	Rich K	Wally L
Sound Operator	Bob T	Marv S

	Elder Districts	Deacon Districts
A – C	Rick U	Tom V K
D - H	Luke S	Neil V
I – P	Gene F	Ryan S
R – T	Rich K	Ken B
U – Z	Dick S	Bob S