

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 • August 28, 2016
Morning Worship • 9:30 a.m.

The Gathering

Prelude
 *Call to Worship and Prayer
 *Psalter Hymnal 372 **At the Name of Jesus**
 *God's Greeting
 *Hymn of the Month - Psalter Hymnal 493 **Praise God...**

The Confession

Call to Confession Isaiah 55:6-8; Isaiah 56:1-2
 Psalter Hymnal 273 *From Out the Depths I Cry*
 Assurance of Pardon Isaiah 1:18; Titus 2:11-14
 Summary of the Law Matthew 22:37-40
 Response of Thanksgiving • monthly memory work **Jonah 2:2-9**

The Proclamation

*Psalter Hymnal 228: 1, 5, 7, 8 *I Love the Lord the Fount of Life*
 Scripture John 15: 1 – 9 (pew Bible, p. 1676)
 Sermon ABIDE IN MY LOVE

The Response

*Psalter Hymnal 329: 1, 4, 5, 6 **O Love of God How Strong**
 Pastoral Prayer
 Offering World Renew

The Lord's Supper

*Psalter Hymnal 422 **O Jesus Joy of Loving Hearts**
 Celebration of the Supper Psalter Hymnal, p. 156

The Sending

*Benediction
 *Closing Song **Jesus Draw Me Ever Nearer**
 *Postlude

*Please stand if able. **Bold** denotes projected items.
Evening Worship • 5:30 p.m.

Prelude
 *Call to Worship and Prayer
 *Celebration Hymnal 124 *O Magnify the Lord*
 *Declaration of Trust and God's Greeting
 *Confession of Faith Hymn **My Only Comfort**

The Prayers of God's People
 Offering Cottage Grove General Fund
 *Hymn **Lord God Almighty**

Scripture Isaiah 43: 1 – 13 (pew Bible, p. 1126)
 Sermon I BELONG TO THE LORD
 Prayer of Application

*Celebration Hymnal 408 *How Firm a Foundation*
 *Benediction
 *Closing Song **Ancient Words**
 *Postlude

Today at Cottage Grove

▪ 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship. Rev. Herman Schutt, preaching. Lord's Supper. Offering: World Renew which provides diaconal care and aid at home and abroad, assisting the distressed and needy in Christ's name.
 ▪ 5:30 p.m. Evening Worship. Rev. Herman Schutt, preaching. Offering: Cottage Grove General Fund.

This Week at Cottage Grove

Wednesday, August 31

▪ 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!

Thursday, September 1

▪ 12:00 Noon. **Bulletin** deadline.

Next Week at Cottage Grove

Sunday, September 4

▪ 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship. Seminarian Joshua Dykstra, preaching. Sermon title: IMITATE THE TRUE SACRIFICE. Offering: Cottage Grove General Fund.
 ▪ 5:30 p.m. Evening Worship. Seminarian Joshua Dykstra, preaching. Sermon title: TRUSTING THE REDEEMER. Offering: Christ Cares.
 ▪ Deadline for the **September/October 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. Articles received after the deadline will be published in the next issue. See Dave or Gail V K with questions.

Tuesday, September 6

▪ 9:45 – 11 a.m. **Women's Coffee Break Bible Study** begins. We will study Isaiah 1 – 12. Opening day will feature Rev. Mark Vander Hart, Old Testament professor at Mid-America Reformed Seminary in Dyer, IN, who will present an introduction to Isaiah. Nursery provided for infant – 3 year olds, Story Hour for 3 – 5 year olds. We would love to have you join us!
 ▪ 9:45 – 11 a.m. **Men's Coffee Break Bible Study** begins. We will study The Epistle of Paul to the Romans. We would love to have you join us!

Wednesday, September 7

▪ 6:30 p.m. **Gems** Kick off meeting with dad.
 ▪ 7:00 p.m. **Cadets** Kick off meeting.

Coming Events

Sunday, September 11

▪ **Sunday School** for 4 year olds – 6th grade begins.
 ▪ Join us for a **Bonfire Night** immediately following the evening worship service to celebrate Cottage Grove's 60th Anniversary! We will be recognizing 50+ year members of the church, singing several congregational songs, and the men's quartet will be singing several songs as well! 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.

Monday, September 12

▪ 6:45 – 8:00 p.m. **Men's Bible Study** begins. We will study the Letter of Paul to the Romans.

Friday, September 23

▪ 6 – 9 p.m. **Cry Out!** Free simulcast – a nationwide prayer event for women. Join with women from our community and across the U.S. to beseech God to do in us and in our nation what no man-made effort can accomplish. For more information go to CRYOUT16.com or call 708-331-0391.

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.

Our Church Family

▪ Congratulations to Betty C who celebrated her 94th birthday on August 26 and to Paul E who celebrated his 88th birthday on August 26.

F r o m M i s s i o n C o m m i t t e e

Neighbor Love Idea: Host a block party for Labor Day weekend.
ELIM Hope Packs Project for Christ Cares. Thank you to everyone who participated in the Hope Packs Mission Project! We collected \$1200.00 and were able to provide over 50 school packs for needy children in the South Suburbs and work for those at Elim Adult Services. Together we are making a difference! Mission Committee

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

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 H (708.305.7365 or cottagetrovegems@yahoo.com) if interested.

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

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. Bible League Retreat for men and women at Cedar Lake Conference Grounds. Featured speaker is Adelle Dickie. Evening program by Captivating Keyboards. Offering for Bibles for Africa. See the brochure in your mailbox for more details. Early registration discount deadline is September 2.

Thursday, September 22, 6:30 p.m. Illiana Right to Life Banquet at Avalon Manor (3550 East US Highway 30, Merrillville). Keynote speaker is Angela Minor. She is the president and co-founder of Sisters for Life, a Christian organization that advocates for preborn babies, their mothers, and fathers who find themselves faced with a crisis or unplanned pregnancy. See the library bulletin board for more details. See Gail V K for tickets or call Don Dykstra at 219-924-8461. There is no charge for the tickets. An offering will be taken for the work of Illiana Right to Life.

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.

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. Please respond by August 30 if you are willing to sponsor a table. Our hope is that those who attend would become regular supporters of our ministry 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. 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.

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I n S e r v i c e

	August 28	September 4
Organist AM		Jan H
Pianist AM	Joan F	
Organist PM	Joanne H	Joanne H
Pianist PM		
Greeters AM	Birdie V Z	Terry & Gail W
Greeter-South AM	Tom V K	Ryan S
Greeters PM	Paul & Janet V K	Evelyn Z Wayne Z
Nursery AM	Ria B Beth E	Beth B Doris B
Ushers	John H Tom V K Dave V K	Bob S Mark U Bob T
Video AM/PM	Tom V K	Ryan S
AM Cookies	Kathy D	Candy D Y
Holland Home Driver	John S	Dick S
Sound Operator	Jon K	

	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