

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 • March 26, 2017
Morning Worship • 9:30 a.m.

Gathering to Praise Our Savior

Prelude
 *Call to Worship and Prayer
 *Hymn *How Lovely is Your Dwelling*
 *God's Greeting
 *Hymn *Before the Throne of God Above*

Confessing Sin Before Our Savior

The Law of God
 Prayer of Confession
 Hymn *Beneath the Cross*
 Assurance of Pardon

Offering Prayers and Thanksgiving to Our Savior

Congregational Prayer
 Offering Cottage Grove Education Fund

Listening to the Words of Our Savior

*Hymn *Holy Spirit*
 Scripture Matthew 27: 51 - 66 (pew Bible, p. 1548)
 Heidelberg Catechism, Lord's Day 16, Q + A 40-43 Psalter, p. 23
 Sermon DEAD, BURIED
 Prayer of Application

Communing at the Table with Our Savior

Communion Formulary
 *Hymn *I Will Glory in My Redeemer*
 *The Apostles' Creed (in unison, on screen)
 The Consecration
 The Supper
 The Thanksgiving Psalm 103:1-4; Revelation 5:12; Psalm 145:21

Departing to the Service of Our Savior

*Benediction
 *Closing Hymn *I Will Glory in My Redeemer*
 *Postlude

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

Evening Worship • 5:30 p.m.

Prelude
 *Call to Worship and Prayer
 *Psalter Hymnal 192 *Unto God Our Savior*
 *Declaration of Trust and God's Greeting
 *Hymn *The Mountains Stand in Awe*
 *Confession of Faith Read responsively, on screen
Heidelberg Catechism, Lord's Day 7, Q + A 21
Heidelberg Catechism, Lord's Day 12, Q + A 32

The Prayers of God's People

Offering Cottage Grove General Fund
 *Psalter Hymnal 182:1,2,11,12 *O Lord, Thou Judge of All the Earth*

Scripture John 5: 25 – 30 (pew Bible, p. 1657)
 Sermon THE APPOINTED JUDGE
 Prayer of Application

*Psalter Hymnal 3: 1, 2, 4 *Wherefore Do the Nations Rage*
 *Closing Prayer
 *Closing Song *Sent Forth by God's Blessing*
 *Postlude

Today at Cottage Grove

- 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship. Pastor Joseph Brinks, preaching. Offering: Cottage Grove Education Fund. Lord's Supper.
- 10:45 a.m. – 12 noon. **Sunday School** for 4 year olds – 6th grade meets. Lesson 8. Homework due: lesson 7.
- 10:45 a.m. **Adult Sunday School class** led by Intern Cary Gephart, on the book *Pilgrim's Progress*. We hope you'll join us after the morning service as we read, watch, and discuss the many biblical lessons we can learn from the main character Christian's journey to the Celestial City.
- 5:30 p.m. Evening Worship. Intern Pastor Cary Gephart, preaching. Offering: Cottage Grove General Fund.

This Week at Cottage Grove

Monday, March 27

- 7:00 p.m. **Deacon's** Business meeting.

Tuesday, March 28

- 9:45 – 11 a.m. All women are welcome to join us for **Women's Coffee Break Bible Study**. Lesson 4: *Philippians 2:12-30*. **Nursery** for infants – 3 year olds. Nursery attendants: Bonnie B, Edie G. **Story Hour** for 3 – 5 year olds.
- 9:45 – 11 a.m. **Men's Coffee Break Bible Study**. All men are welcome to join us as we study *James 4:1-17*.
- 7:00 p.m. **Consistory** meets.

Wednesday, March 29

- 6:30 – 7:45 a.m. **Men's Prayer Breakfast** meets at Sheffield's Restaurant (1027 Sheffield Ave., Dyer, IN).

Next Week at Cottage Grove

Sunday, April 2

- 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship. Intern Pastor Cary Gephart, preaching. Sermon title: HIS KINGDOM COME. Offering: Cottage Grove General Fund.
- 5:30 p.m. Evening Worship. Pastor Joseph Brinks, preaching. Sermon Title: DESCENDED INTO HELL. Offering: Christ Cares.
- 7:00 p.m. You are invited to eat a light supper and watch a presentation of the slide show, "**The Building of Cottage Grove**", immediately following the evening service. Come see pictures and hear the story of the construction of our church over 50 years ago! Food provided by the Education and Fellowship committees. We hope to see you there!

Coming Event

July 24-28, VBS *Upward Bound*.

Prayer Requests

- Dorothy B has returned to her home. Continue to pray for health and strength.
- Elmer D Y is at Holland Home, Room 401.
- Wally L is at the Villa, Room 202, for rehab.
- Betty S who is at Munster Hospital.
- Dick S is on hospice care at home.
- Darald U as he continues testing and treatment for cancer.
- Jordan T, grandson of Mike & Joanne Hoeksema, who is scheduled for heart surgery on Tuesday, March 28. Pray that he may remain healthy before surgery and that surgery will go well.

Our Church Family

- The sympathy of the congregation is expressed to the family and friends of Shirley L who passed away on Friday, March 24. May the Lord comfort those who mourn the loss of this loved one.

From Mission Committee

Neighbor Love Idea: Invite a friend to Bible Study.
Mission Project for March: P.A.S.S. Baby Shower. Today is the last Sunday to bring your donations of diapers of every size, baby bottles, shampoo, lotion, bibs, receiving blankets, crib sheets, clothing, formula, etc. for our local P.A.S.S. center. Please place your items on the table by the VBS cabinet in the Fellowship Hall. Thank you for your participation!

Announcements

- The Pastoral Search Committee thanks you for completing your questionnaires. We will be continuing to process them this week. **Please place your completed questionnaire in the box on the piano in the fellowship hall this week.**

Requested Announcements

Saturday, April 8, 7:00 - 10:30 a.m. Lansing Christian School 8th grade **pancake breakfast**. It's all you can eat pancakes, sausage, orange juice, milk and coffee. It's for a great cause, so bring the whole family. Hope to see you there!

Sunday, April 9, 2:00 p.m. Illiana Oratorio Society presentation of *The Seven Last Words of Christ*. The concert will be at First Christian Reformed Church (16248 South Park Ave., South Holland, IL.) Please join us as we reflect on Christ's death and Holy Week as we present this marvelous work to God's praise!

Wednesday, April 19. Lansing Christian School's 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 April 13. Pick up date for the BBQ will be Wednesday, April 19, from 12:00-5:30 p.m. by the kitchen.

Thursday, April 20. Roseland Christian Ministries Spring Banquet *Great is Thy Faithfulness* at Georgio's (8800 W. 159th St., Orland Park). Doors open at 6:30 p.m., dinner served at 7 p.m. No tickets will be issued, but reservations are needed. Open to guests of high school age and older. Contact Kisha Pleasant at 773-264-5665 for reservations or more details.

Friday, April 21, 6:30 pm. Calvin Christian School's annual **Evening for Calvin**. This year it will be held at the Center for Visual & Performing Arts in Munster, IN. There will be great entertainment, delicious food and powerful testimonies about the impact Calvin's mission is having. We would be honored if you came out to support us! You can register at www.calvinschool.org or contact us at rvanbaren@calvinschool.org.

Saturday, June 10, 7 a.m. – 2 p.m. PASS Hike for Life! Save the date and watch for more details.

Open House Mondays at Lansing Christian School. Tour the school campus, visit the classrooms, see the teacher/student interaction, meet the principal and chat with the teachers. April 10, & May 8. 9:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m., 1:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. For more information, or to schedule a personal tour at a different time and date that work best for you, call 708-474-1700.

Lansing Christian School is accepting applications for both a Jr. High Science Teacher and Second Grade Spanish Immersion Teacher for the 2017-2018 school year. Resumes and inquiries can be sent to jpostm@lansingchristian.org.

The Illiana Christian High School Foundation is planning a trip for June 12-18, 2017. This guided tour will be a 7-day, 6-night

bus trip led by Jeff White, a History teacher at ICHS. The trip will include visits to Sauder Village, Flight 93, Gettysburg, Valley Forge, Lancaster County, Philadelphia, Annapolis, Fort McHenry, US Naval Academy and more. This is the perfect trip for history enthusiasts! The cost per person will be \$1,400 for double occupancy or \$1,800 for single occupancy. This includes transportation, lodging, admission to all attractions and at least two meals per day. Any monies left over will be given to the Illiana Foundation as a donation. If you are interested, please contact the school office as soon as possible. For any questions regarding the trip, please contact Bonnie Trepton (708) 474-0515 ext. 24 or Jeff White at jeff.white@illianachristian.org.

For over 35 years, the **Self-Help Jobs Program** has been helping people achieve employment by teaching them the skill of job searching. Job seekers: we want to help with your search. Employers: we want to help you fill your openings. Office hours are on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Call 708-633-6580. Brochures are located by the library bulletin board.

In Service

	March 26	April 2
Organist AM	Arlene V Z	Jan H
Pianist AM		
Organist PM		Joanne H
Pianist PM	Joan F	
Greeters AM	Karen K	Wally & Arlene L
Greeter-South AM	Ken B	Ryan S
Greeters PM	Rich & Kathy K	Joel & Mary Lou N
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	Ken B	Ryan S
AM Cookies	Beth H	Doris H
Holland Home Driver	Dick S	Gene F
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



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 we are called to
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CONNECT new and established believers in fellowship
COME together around God's word, His table, and in prayer
CULTIVATE disciples for His service.

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