

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 12, 2015
Morning Worship • 9:30 a.m.

Prelude
 Welcome & Announcements
 Prayer for the Spirit's Presence
 *Call to Worship
 *Hymns of Praise
 • Psalter Hymnal 324
 • Psalter Hymnal 381: 1 – 3
 *God's Greeting

God Himself Is With Us
Man of Sorrows

Call to Confession
 Prayer of Confession
 Assurance of Forgiveness
 *Song
 Offering
 Congregational Prayer

Knowing You
 Pacific Garden Mission

Scripture Philippians 3: 1 – 11 (pew Bible, p. 1828)
 Sermon CHRIST-CONFIDENCE

Prayer of Response
 *Hymn of Response
 • Celebration Hymnal 526
 *God's Blessing
 *Closing Hymn
 • Psalter Hymnal 381: 4
 *Postlude

The Solid Rock

Man of Sorrows

Prayer Partners: Ted & Trenice Postema

*Please stand if able.

Bold denotes projected items

Evening Worship • 5:30 p.m.

Prelude
 *Call to Worship and Prayer
 *Psalter Hymnal 327 **Praise to the Lord the Almighty**
 *Declaration of Trust and God's Greeting
 *Psalter Hymnal 180 **It is Good to Sing Thy Praises**
 *Confession of Faith - The Apostles' Creed Psalter, p. 3

Psalter Hymnal 492 **Glory Be to the Father**
 The Prayers of God's People
 Offering Cottage Grove General Fund
 *Psalter Hymnal 314 **Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing**
 Scripture John 3: 1 – 21 (pew Bible, p. 1649)
 Text John 3: 16
 Sermon WHY?
 Prayer of Application

*Psalter Hymnal 380 **Amazing Grace! How Sweet the Sound**
 *Benediction
 *Psalter Hymnal 493 **Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow**

*Postlude

Prayer Partners: Ron & Florence Oosting

Today at Cottage Grove

- 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship. Pastor Zekveld, preaching. Offering: Pacific Garden Mission in Chicago, ministers to homeless men, women and children by providing meals, clothing, overnight accommodations, health care and Gospel services. They receive no city, state or federal aid. Only financial gifts and prayers from faithful supporters keep this ministry alive.
- Please join the family of Joanne Venhuizen for cake and coffee in the Fellowship Hall following the morning service to celebrate her 80th birthday.
- 5:30 p.m. Evening Worship. Guest Pastor Richard Blauw, preaching. Offering: Cottage Grove General Fund.
- ALL are invited to a **Potluck Bonfire** in the back lot, right after the evening worship service. See the flyer in your mailbox or on the bulletin board, bring campfire fare to share, lawn chairs or blankets to sit on, and hot dog forks or "Pudgy pie makers" if you have them. Questions: contact Mark Uittenbogaard at 708-955-5221. Please choose one or two things from the list that was published, you do not need to bring all the items on the suggestion list. See you there!

This Week at Cottage Grove

Tuesday, July 14

- **6:30 p.m.** Anyone interested is invited to meet by the Fellowship House for a silent prayer walk for our church and Council.

- 7:00 p.m. **Council** meets. A copy of the agenda is posted on the library bulletin board.

Wednesday, July 15

- 6:30 a.m. **Men's Prayer Breakfast** meets at Sheffield's Restaurant (1027 Sheffield Ave., Dyer, IN).
- 7:00 p.m. **Godly Women Class** meets in the Council Room.

Thursday, July 16

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

Next Week at Cottage Grove

Sunday, July 19. 7:15 a.m. Prayer Fellowship.

- 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship. Pastor Nederhood, preaching. Sermon title: REMEMBERING CHRIST. Offering: Cottage Grove General Fund.
- 5:30 p.m. Evening Worship. Pastor Nederhood, preaching. Sermon title: REMEMBERING OURSELVES. Offering: Faith Promise for Missions.

Coming Events

Save the date! Friday, August 7. Church picnic. Signup sheets are on the library bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall. Signup to attend or to help. Signup deadline is August 1.

Prayer Requests

- Elizabeth Allen as she deals with continuing health challenges.
- Betty Callanan who is at Victory Centre.
- Caryl De Young who is in the Villa, Room 112, for rehab.
- Elmer De Young who is in the Villa, Room 123, for rehab.
- Kelsey Ebbens in her continuing health struggles.
- Char Grinker as she recovers at home.
- Myrtis Harrold in her continuing health struggles
- Joanne Hoeksema had a biopsy and results came back positive for cancer. Pray that doctors will be able to help her with the decisions that need to be made in the next few weeks.
- Jan Huisenga as she recovers following surgery.
- James Kostelyk who is at His Mansion Ministry.
- Herb Potts as he continues to recover at home.
- Len Szewka as he battles cancer.
- John & Betty Tempelman at St. Anthony Retirement Center.
- John Van Kalker who is receiving therapy at home. Continue to pray for patience and healing from infection.

Our Church Family

Congratulations to Shirley Sluiter who will celebrate her 83rd birthday on July 16 and to Marge Kooiman who will celebrate her 85th birthday on July 17.

"Thanks for all the words of encouragement and get well cards for my broken foot. It's healing well, I'm able to be back to work part time." John Hoeksema.

Zekveld vacation: July 16-28 and August 3-9.

From Your Mission Advocate

Neighbor Love Idea: Remember a friend or neighbor's birthday or anniversary with a card or small gift.

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

Please note that **Sunday evening Nursery service is not currently being provided** due to a reduced number of children needing the nursery.

Christ Cares, a ministry to the homeless, is in need of someone who will take 5-6 people from Chicago Heights on Fridays to a shelter in South Chicago. On Tuesdays, they need transportation back to Chicago Heights. Bus fare is very expensive for them, and the director of Christ Cares, Scott Reese, is greatly overworked. A driver is needed from now until the end of September. If you are willing to help out, please contact Scott Reese at 708-539-8939, or talk to Carol Schaap if you have any questions. Thank you for your compassion.

Volunteer opportunity. Our church sponsors a **letter writing** campaign to the missionaries we support. As a church family we want to remind them of our ongoing interest in them and support for them. We are looking for a few more volunteers to take a turn writing our missionaries once every other month or so. Please contact the church office if you would like to be a blessing to our missionaries in this simple way.

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

LORD WILLING, the 15th annual Reformed Youth Services National **Youth Convention** will be held **July 13-17** at Asbury University in Wilmore, Kentucky. Please pray for students and adults representing almost 60 churches as they travel to and from convention, and for safety during the week's activities. Pray for our main speakers, Rev. Mike Schout and Rev. Bob Van Manen and our 12 workshop speakers as they share God's Word, especially with our precious covenant youth. Pictures and updates will be available on a daily basis by accessing the RYS Facebook page. Youth and leaders attending from our area are: Josh Dykstra – leader, Nathan Dykstra, Josh Smits, Matt Egeler, Beth Boonstra, Brittany Bonnema, Paul Kamp, Garret Vander Zee, Julianna Knot.

Divine Hope Reformed Bible Seminary invites you to attend the Sunday worship service at the Indiana State Prison in Michigan City, IN on Sunday, August 2. The service runs from 7:00-9:00 AM. If you would like to worship with the men in Michigan City, send your information to Ron Ellens at ronellens@sbcglobal.net or 815-514-3083 no later than July 19

August 29 and 30. Support the ELIM Team in their *TRI to Make a Difference* HOPE Pack Fundraiser at the Chicago Triathlon. You can join the team or sponsor them to help raise funds for Elim Hope Packs. Elim Hope Packs program gives adults with developmental disabilities the opportunity to assemble school supply kits for disadvantaged children in Chicago. Hope Packs provide Elim's adults with meaningful employment and provide essential school supplies to children in need. Contact Laura at 708-293-6509 or visit www.crowdrise.com/TritoMakeaDifference2015.

Thursday, September 24. Gracia Burnham is the widow of Martin Burnham and mother of three. Because of her unique testimony

while serving in the Philippines, her abduction by a militant Muslim group has taught her many things that she'll share with you. Gracia will be the featured speaker at the **Bible League Retreat** at the Cedar Lake Conference Grounds in Cedar Lake, Indiana. Everyone is encouraged to come, enjoy the day, and the closing concert by Katie Kapteyn De Graff. See the brochure that was placed in your mailbox for more details.

Saturday, September 26. 20th Annual Dutch Festival. Elim Women's Service League invites you to share your giftedness to support Elim Christian Services. Donations of new handmade craft items for this event are being welcomed now through September. Simply give your donated items to Doris Van Drunen (708-672-9945) or Trenice Postema (708-478-0282). Thank you for blessing the children and adults at Elim Christian Services.

Harvest Thrift Center is looking to fill a couple of positions in our Linen's Dept. Job description includes measuring and pricing! You pick the day and the time! No experience is necessary! Please call the store at 708-868-6150 to volunteer in any capacity!

Sunday Evening Concerts at the Grand Haven, MI Waterfront Stadium. (Just a short drive from the Christian Reformed Conference Grounds.) You are invited every Sunday evening to *Worship On the Waterfront*. There is no cost, nor any tickets needed to attend W.O.W. Check out our web site at www.worshiponthewaterfront.org. Questions? Call: 616-842-6600. A schedule is also posted on the library bulletin board.

I n S e r v i c e		
	July 12	July 19
Pianist AM	Doris Van Drunen	Deb Smits
Organist PM	Joanne Hoeksema	Deb Smits
Pianist PM	Rachel Smits	Diane Kamp
Prayer Partners AM	Ted & Trenice Postema	Wes & Faye Potts
Prayer Partners PM	Ron & Florence Oosting	Carl & Deb Smits
Greeters AM	Tim & Bethany Turner	Will & Gert Vander Meyden
Greeter-South AM	Doug Blink	Rich Kooyenga
Greeters PM	Ron & Martha Tiemens	Rick & Barb Uittenbogaard
Nursery AM	Terri Sluiter Dominique Grinker	Mary Houtsma Melinda Roeda
Parking Lot AM	Carl Eizenga	Elroy Houtsma
Parking Lot PM	Mike Hoeksema	Jon Koniarski
Sound	Paul Kamp	Marv Schaap
Ushers	Ron Tiemens Mark Uittenbogaard Ted Postema	Phil Eizenga Thomas Van Kley Joel Crevier
Video AM/PM	Doug Blink	Rich Kooyenga
AM Cookies	Jo Venhuizen Shelly Wiers	Dominique Grinker Edie Gritter
Holland Home Driver	Dick Scheffers	Wally Leistra



Empowered by
GOD'S SPIRIT,
 we are called to
COMMUNICATE Christ in word and deed
CONNECT new and established believers in fellowship
COME together around God's word, His table, and in prayer
CULTIVATE disciples for His service.

We are Proclaiming
JESUS CHRIST
 in South Holland
 and Beyond for the
GLORY OF GOD!

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