

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 • January 7, 2018
Morning Worship • 9:30 a.m.

Prelude
*Call to Worship and Prayer
*Psalter Hymnal 483: 1 - 3 Come, Ye That Fear Jehovah
*Declaration of Trust and God's Greeting
*Psalter Hymnal 231: 1 Praise Jehovah, All Ye Nations

The Law of God
Psalter Hymnal 150: 1 – 2 Let Children Hear the Mighty Deeds
Assurance of Pardon
Congregational Prayer
Offering Calvin Christian School
*Psalter Hymnal 461: 1 – 5 God Moves in a Mysterious Way

Scripture Romans 15: 1 – 5 (pew Bible, p. 1766)
Text Romans 15: 4 – 5
Sermon ENDURE, AND BE ENCOURAGED!
Prayer of Application

*Celebration Hymnal 415: 1 – 3 We Are Called to Be God’s People
*Benediction
*Celebration Hymnal 419: 1 The Family of God
*Postlude

*Please stand if able. Bold denotes projected items.

Evening Worship • 9:30 a.m.

Prelude
*Call to Worship and Prayer
*Psalter Hymnal 191: 1 – 2 Sing, Sing a New Song to Jehovah
*Declaration of Trust and God's Greeting
*Celebration Hymnal 683: all The King of Love My Shepherd Is
*Confession of Faith The Apostles’ Creed (Psalter, p. 3)

Celebration Hymnal 686: 1 – 3, 6 O God, Our Help in Ages Past
The Prayers of God's People
Offering Cottage Grove General Fund
*Song My Only Comfort

Scripture Romans 14: 7 – 9 (pew Bible, p. 1765)
Heidelberg Catechism, Lord’s Day 1
Read Responsively, Psalter, p. 8
OUR ONLY COMFORT

Sermon
Prayer of Application
*Psalter Hymnal 388: all Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me
*Benediction
*Psalter Hymnal 472: 1, 2, 5, 7 Sun of My Soul
*Postlude

Today at Cottage Grove

- 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship. Pastor Joseph Brinks, preaching. Offering: Calvin Christian School.
- 10:45 a.m. – 12 noon. Sunday School for 4 year olds – 4th grade meets. Lesson 11. Homework due: Lesson 10.
- 10:45 a.m. – 12 noon. Catechism for 5th & 6th grade meets. Lesson 11. No memory work due.
- 11:00 a.m. Fellowship Committee meets.
- 11:15 a.m. Please join us in the sanctuary during the Sunday School hour after the morning worship service for an Adult Education video series: Gravity and Gladness, The Pursuit of God in Corporate Worship. Session 1: Introduction to Gravity and Gladness. Please note that you do not have to be present at all sessions to attend--join us whenever you can!
- 5:30 p.m. Evening worship. Pastor Cary Gephart, preaching. Offering: Cottage Grove General Fund.
- Coffee Fellowship between worship and One Last Carol Sing.
- 7:30 p.m. Come end the Christmas Season and begin the New Year with song! The Men of A-Chord invite you to join them for One Last Christmas Carol. Come join the singing with many of your favorite carols and hymns and Dr. Joel Nederhood providing

meditations. If you’ve never attended and wanted to, maybe this is the year to join the evening. A free-will offering will be taken.
▪ Deadline for the January/February 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. See Dave & Gail V K with questions.

This Week at Cottage Grove

Monday, January 8

- 6:45 p.m. Men’s Bible Study. All men are welcome to join as we continue our study of Acts. Lesson 1: Acts 8:1-3; 9:1-31.

Tuesday, January 9

- 9:45 – 11 a.m. All women are welcome to join us for Women’s Coffee Break Bible Study. Lesson 10. Mark 13. Nursery: Bonnie Brink, Edie Gritter.
- 9:45 – 11 a.m. Men’s Coffee Break Bible Study. All men are welcome to join us as we study Acts. Lesson 1: Acts 8:1-3; 9:1-31.
- 7:00 p.m. Financial Peace University Class meets. Did you know that Americans currently owe 1 TRILLION DOLLARS in credit card debt, while 64% of Americans cannot cover a \$1,000 emergency? We will host Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University at Cottage Grove. The class is designed for adults, regardless of age and financial status. The class covers how to get out of debt, create a budget, make wise spending decisions, and save for the future, all from a God-centered perspective. The class cost is \$109 and includes Dave Ramsey's book "Complete Guide to Money", Dave's cash envelope system, and 1 year of EveryDollarPlus. Angela has several discounted memberships available for \$80 as well. Please contact Angela U (708-240-1187) with any questions.

Wednesday, January 10

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

Sabbath Rest:

- Please keep Sabbath Rest in your prayers this week as we minister to the homeless.
- Our homeless friends are requesting coats, hoodies, sweat suits, white socks and toiletries – all sizes are welcome, but especially the larger sizes. If you have any items to donate please contact Carol S or place your items on the table in the Prayer Room.
- Gift cards to McDonalds or Walgreens for \$5 or \$10 are also very helpful.

Thursday, January 11

- 12 noon. Bulletin deadline.

Next Week at Cottage Grove

Sunday, January 14

- 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship. Pastor Joseph Brinks, preaching. Sermon title: LET’S ALL USE OUR SPIRITUAL GIFTS—LEADERSHIP TOO! Offering: Cottage Grove General Fund.
- 5:30 p.m. Evening worship. Pastor Cary Gephart, preaching. Sermon title: MISERY LOVES COMPANY. Offering: Gideon’s International.

Friday, January 19

- 6 PM. Show off your culinary talents with STIR CRAZY NIGHT! Stir Crazy Night is a laid back team cooking competition, with room for cooks of all ability levels! We will use a pre-determined cultural theme (i.e. Italian). Please sign up on the bulletin board before January 14 so we can plan accordingly. Contact any member of the Fellowship Committee for additional details. Bon appetit!

Our Church Family

- Dorothy B is at home and having treatments regularly. Keep her and Will in your prayers through her various health struggles.
- Warren M is hospitalized in Florida with pneumonia. He is receiving antibiotics and breathing treatments. Pray for complete healing.
- Congratulations to Stan C who will celebrate his 91st birthday on January 11, and to Gert V M who will celebrate her 85th birthday on January 13.
- “We are so thankful for all of you in our Cottage Grove CRC family as we’ve enjoyed your generosity following the birth of Emily and Tessa! Thank you so much for the delicious meals and thoughtful gifts and cards as we continue to get used to these two beautiful new additions to our family!” Much love from Tim, Bethany, and all of the T kids!
- The **Pastoral Care** Committee thanks everyone for their food donations for the T family and for now no more is needed.
- A request has been made for a **Card Shower** for Linda S B, sister of Bob S. In October Linda had brain surgery and now is hospitalized with a tumor on her spine and infection. Her address is: 11413 – 105th Avenue SW F15, Lakewood, WA 98498, if you would like to send a card.

From Mission Committee

Neighbor Love Idea: In this new year, look for one person that you can show mercy to, just as Christ did for each of His children.

Announcements

Fannie May Candy Bars are coming at the end of January. If anyone desires a large quantity in general or of a specific kind please let Cheri S know as soon as possible so that an accurate order can be placed now.

2018 Budget envelopes are available for all those who are over 18 years of age or who have made profession of faith. Please pick yours up from the table in the Fellowship Hall. If you have any questions or would like to request a set of budget envelopes, please contact Bob S. Our **Wifi** domain is CGC-Guest, and the password is Cottagegrovecrc.

Requested Announcements

Monday, January 22, 6:30-8:00 p.m. Looking for a Christian preschool or kindergarten experience? Your child will blossom at Highland Christian School! We invite you to join us for our **PRESCHOOL & KINDERGARTEN OPEN HOUSE**. Through hands-on discovery, teacher led instruction and small group activities, your child will develop new skills, build positive relationships and grow in character as they build their knowledge of God’s world and His Word. Learn more about the curriculum, classroom practices, and learning communities at Highland Christian School (PreK-Gr8), 3040 Ridge Rd., Highland, IN. For more information, visit www.highlandchristian.org or contact Jodi at 219-838-0356

In Service

	January 7	January 14
Organist AM	Jan H	
Pianist AM		Angela U
Organist PM	Justin R	
Pianist PM		Barb U
Greeters AM	Dave & Gail V K	Frank & Chris V
Greeter-South AM	Rick U	Rich D
Greeters PM	Neil & Joanne V	Tom & Cele B
Nursery AM	Bonnie B Bethany W	Beth H Dale H
Ushers	Bob S Mark U Bob T	Ryan S Rich K Carl E
Video AM	Rick U	Rich D
Video PM	Neil V	Neil V
AM Cookies	Edie G	Evelyn Z
Holland Home Driver	Ria B	Arlene L
Sound Operator	Marv S	Bob T

Elder Districts Deacon Districts

A – G	Rick U	A – D	Ryan S
H - S	Gene F	E – K	Mark U
T – Z	Rich K	L – T	Rich D
		U – Z	Bob S



CHRISTIAN
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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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