

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 • February 18, 2018**  
**Morning Worship • 9:30 a.m.**

Prelude  
\*Call to Worship and Prayer  
\*Psalter Hymnal 361: 1 – 3 *Praise the Savior*  
\*Declaration of Trust and God's Greeting  
\*Psalter Hymnal 454: 1 – 4 *Nearer, Still Nearer*

The Law of God  
Psalter Hymnal 351: 1 – 4 *Ah, Dearest Jesus*  
Assurance of Pardon  
Preparing for the Lord's Supper  
Congregational Prayer  
Offering *Cottage Grove General Fund*  
\*Celebration Hymnal 568: 1 – 6 *May the Mind of Christ, My Savior*

Scripture *Luke 9: 51 – 62 (pew Bible, p. 1611)*  
Text *Luke 9: 51*  
Sermon *JESUS RESOLUTELY SETS OUT FOR JERUSALEM*  
Prayer of Application

\*Psalter Hymnal 456: 1 – 4 *Jesus, I My Cross Have Taken*  
\*Benediction  
\*Psalter Hymnal 493: 1 *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow*  
\*Postlude

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

**Evening Worship • 5:30 p.m.**

Prelude  
Cadet Processional *Lead on, O King Eternal*  
\*Call to Worship and Prayer  
\*Cadet Landmarks  
\*Cadet Litany *GOD SEEKING US*

Leader: No matter where we go, we know that God is seeking us.  
Cadets/Counselors: We are thankful to God for His watchful care.  
Leader: No matter what we do, we know that God is seeking us.

**Congregation: We are thankful to God for His watchful care.**  
Leader: Over 2500 years ago God spoke to the prophet Ezekiel, giving him words to relay to God's people. "For this is what the Sovereign Lord says, I myself will search for my sheep and look after them."

Cadets/Counselors: We are grateful to be considered God's sheep and to have Him look after us.  
Leader: "As a shepherd looks after his scattered flock when he is with them, so I will look after my sheep."

**Congregation: We are grateful to be considered God's sheep and to have Him look after us.**  
Leader: "I will rescue them from all the places where they are scattered on a day of clouds and darkness."

Cadets/Counselors: We are assured that no matter how bad things may seem, we are sheltered by God's protective hand.  
Leader: "You are my sheep, the sheep of my pasture, and I am your God, declares the Sovereign Lord."

**Congregation: We are assured that no matter how bad things may seem, we are sheltered by God's protective hand.**  
Leader: We know that God is all-powerful and that nothing can harm us. "Be strong and courageous... for the Lord your God goes with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you."

**Congregation: "For he is our God and we are the people of his pasture, the Lord, the Sovereign Lord."**  
Leader: May we always remember that God is seeking us and God is with us forevermore. May we, as His sheep, each live a life worthy of God's calling. Together, as an expression of our desire to live such a life, let us sing the Cadet Hymn: "Living For Jesus."

\*Celebration Hymnal 605 *Living for Jesus*  
\*Declaration of Trust and God's Greeting  
\*Confession of Faith *The Apostles' Creed (Psalter, p. 3)*

Celebration Hymnal 530 *I Will Call upon the Lord*  
Celebration Hymnal 531 *Unto Thee, O Lord*  
Children's Message *Rules, Rules, Rules*  
The Prayers of God's People  
Offering *Cottage Grove Cadets*  
\*Psalter Hymnal 387 *I Sought the Lord and Afterword I Knew*

Scripture *Ezekiel 35:11 (pew Bible, p. 1773)*  
Sermon *GOD SEEKING US*  
Prayer of Application

\*Celebration Hymnal 719 *Children of the Heavenly Father*  
\*Benediction  
\*Celebration Hymnal 527: 1 – 3 *I Know Whom I Have Believed*  
\*Postlude

**Today at Cottage Grove**

- 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship. Pastor Joseph Brinks, preaching. Offering: Cottage Grove General Fund.
- 5:30 p.m. Evening worship. Pastor Cary Gephart, preaching. Offering: Cottage Grove Cadets. Cadet Sunday.

**This Week at Cottage Grove**

- Monday, February 19**  
6:45 p.m. **Men's Bible Study**. Lesson 6: Acts 13:44-14:28.
- Tuesday, February 20**  
9:45 – 11 a.m. All women are welcome to join us for **Women's Coffee Break Bible Study**. Lesson 4: Esther 2. **Nursery**: Bonnie B, Joan F.  
9:45 – 11 a.m. **Men's Coffee Break Bible Study**. All men are welcome to join us as we study *Acts*. Lesson 7: Acts 15:1-35.  
7:00 p.m. **Financial Peace University Class** meets. Contact Angela U (708-240-1187) with any questions.  
7:00 p.m. **Education Committee** meets.  
7:00 p.m. **Worship and Prayer Committee** meets.
- Wednesday, February 21**  
6:30 – 7:45 a.m. **Men's Prayer Breakfast** at Sheffield's Restaurant (1027 Sheffield Ave., Dyer, IN).  
7:00 p.m. **Local Outreach Committee** meets.
- Thursday, February 22**  
12 noon. **Bulletin deadline** for bulletins of February 25, March 4 and March 11. The Church Office will be closed from February 27 through March 13.

**Next week at Cottage Grove**

- Sunday, February 25**  
9:30 a.m. Morning Worship. Pastor Joseph Brinks, preaching. Sermon title: JESUS CHANGES PASSOVER TO HOLY COMMUNION. Offering: Cottage Grove General Fund. Lord's Supper.  
5:30 p.m. Evening worship. Pastor Cary Gephart, preaching. Sermon title: TRUE FAITH. Offering: Education Fund.

**Wednesday, February 28**

- 5:30 – 6:30 p.m. **Mid-Week Meal.** Please sign up on the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall if you plan to attend. Following the meal at 7 P.M. there will be a DVD from Ray Vander Laan. Join us for a time of food and fellowship

**C o m i n g E v e n t s**

SAVE THE DATE! **Friday, March 16.** 6:00 p.m. Dinner, 7:00 p.m. Movie. The Fellowship Committee invites you to a Dinner and a **Movie Night!** Movie TBD. This will be a potluck meal, so please sign up on the bulletin board to bring either a main dish, side, salad, or dessert! Questions? Call Mark U at (708) 955-5221 or ask any member of the Fellowship Committee.

**VBS Space Probe – July 30 – August 3.**

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

**Neighbor Love Idea:** Invite a neighbor over for hot chocolate and donuts. Listen to them share their life story. Share what God has done for you.

**Mission Committee** would like a few more **volunteers to write our missionaries.** We would like to encourage some of our younger members to consider this ministry. Letters can be sent via email or on your phone. Volunteers receive notification which missionary they should write and a copy of the latest correspondence from that missionary. Any questions contact Gail or Carol. Thank you!

**Our Mission Project** for March is a P.A.S.S. Baby Shower. 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 will be much appreciated. You may bring your items to church any time during the month of March.

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

- Fannie May candy bars are still available!** Calvinette Gems are selling Fannie May candy bars at \$1.25 a bar. See Cheri S to purchase candy bars. Thank you for your support.
- Our **Wifi** domain is CGC-Guest, and the password is Cottagegrovecrc.

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

**Tuesday, February 20, 7:00 p.m. Calling all singers!** Organist, Nancy Venema, and director, Justin Rich, are inviting you to use your singing voices in the Easter Cantata, "How Great Thou Art" with the Community of Praise Chorale. Rehearsals will be held at Lynwood United Reformed Church. The performance will be on **Saturday, April 14,** at 7 p.m. at the same location. Help us fill the choir loft and the church with song!! Looking forward to seeing you there! If you have any questions, please call Justin Rich at 219-374-7920 or email at [jamrich4@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jamrich4@sbcglobal.net)

**Saturday, March 17, 7:00 p.m. Men of A-Chord combined concert** with the Illiana Christian High School Choir for a **Harmony of Generations** at First Christian Reformed Church (16248 South Park Ave., South Holland, IL.) Proceeds from a free

will offering will benefit the Illiana Christian High School Choral Department. For information please see our website at [www.menofachord.org](http://www.menofachord.org). **All are invited** to join the choirs to sing several mass numbers. Contact Ken Brink or Dave Van Kuiken if you are interested in singing with Men of A-Chord and Illiana.

**Thursday, March 22, 11:30 a.m. –** The Illiana Women’s Division of the Bible League International invites you to **The Bible League Women’s Luncheon** at Teibel’s Restaurant, (Rt. 30 & 41, Schererville, IN). The program will feature soloist Sarah Van Drunen. Bring a friend, enjoy fellowship, and learn about Bible League’s work in Latin America. An offering will be taken for Bibles for Latin America. Contact Evelyn Zoeteman (708-331-2903) for your reservation by March 18. Tickets: \$18 for chicken or \$22 for perch.

**Friday, March 23, 6:30 p.m. Evening for Calvin** at Villa Cesare in Schererville, IN. This annual fundraiser features dinner, entertainment, an opportunity to give, a concert by worship leaders and song writers, Dee and Jen Wilson, and Calvin Christian student artists. Please RSVP by Friday, March 9.

**Saturday, April 28 and Sunday, April 29.** The **Men of A-Chord** annual **“Night of Song” Concerts.** There will be **FOUR** male choruses participating in **TWO** concerts this year at First Christian Reformed Church of South Holland. More details coming soon.

**I n S e r v i c e**

|                     | February 18        | February 25        |
|---------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Organist AM         |                    | Arlene V Z         |
| Pianist AM          | Beth H             |                    |
| Organist PM         |                    |                    |
| Pianist PM          | Barb U             | Joan F             |
| Greeters AM         | Cary & Karese G    | Jim & Edie G       |
| Greeter-South AM    | Rick U             | Mark U             |
| Greeters PM         | Gene & Joan F      | Alex & Grace H     |
| Nursery AM          | Gail V K<br>Judy S | Joan F<br>Keagan G |
| Ushers              | Terry W<br>Rick U  |                    |
| Video AM            | Rick U             | Mark U             |
| Video PM            | Neil V             |                    |
| AM Cookies          | Chris V            | Grace H            |
| Holland Home Driver | Rich K             | Gene F             |
| Sound Operator      | Marv S             | Jon K              |

**Elder Districts      Deacon Districts**

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|-------|--------|-------|--------|
| 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  |



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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