

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 • March 4, 2018**  
**Morning Worship • 9:30 a.m.**

Prelude  
\*Call to Worship and Prayer  
\*Celebration Hymnal 209  
\*Declaration of Trust and God's Greeting  
GEMS Litany  
GEMS Songs  
*This is the Day*  
**In His Steps**  
*Step by Step*  
*I Want to Be Like Jesus*

The Law of God and Call to Confession  
Celebration Hymnal 571: 1, 3, 5  
Assurance of Pardon  
Congregational Prayer  
Offering  
Children's Message  
\*Celebration Hymnal 665  
*O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee*

Scripture  
Text  
Sermon  
Prayer of Application  
1 John 2: 1 – 6 (pew Bible, p. 1899)  
1 John 2: 6  
IN HIS STEPS

\*Celebration Hymnal 606  
\*Benediction  
\*Closing Song  
*O Love That Will Not Let Me Go*  
**My Friends, May You Grow in Grace**  
(1st time GEMS; 2nd time all)

\*Postlude

\*Please stand if able.

**Bold** denotes projected items.

**Evening Worship • 5:30 p.m.**

Prelude  
\*Call to Worship and Prayer  
\*Celebration Hymnal 147: 1 – 4  
\*Declaration of Trust and God's Greeting  
\*Celebration Hymnal 342: 1 – 3  
\*Confession of Faith  
**How Great Thou Art**  
*Rock of Ages*  
**The Apostles' Creed** (Psalter, p. 3)

The Prayers of God's People  
Offering  
\*Celebration Hymnal 326: 1 – 3  
Cottage Grove General Fund  
**Blessed Redeemer**

Scripture  
Text  
Sermon  
Luke 23: 26 – 34 (pew Bible, p. 1641)  
Luke 23: 34  
"FATHER, FORGIVE THEM,  
FOR THEY DO NOT KNOW WHAT THEY ARE DOING"

Prayer of Application  
\*Celebration Hymnal 604: 1 – 2  
\*Benediction  
\*Psalter Hymnal 488: 1 – 2  
\*Postlude  
*I Then Shall Live*  
**Now Blessed Be Jehovah God**

**Today at Cottage Grove**

- 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship. Pastor Cary Gephart, preaching. Offering: Cottage Grove GEMS. GEMS Sunday.
- 10:45 a.m. – 12 noon. **Sunday School** for 4 year olds – 4<sup>th</sup> grade meets. Lesson 5. Homework due: Lesson 4.
- 10:45 a.m. – 12 noon. **Catechism** for 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> grade meets. Lesson 18. Memory work: lesson 17.
- 11:15 a.m. **Adult Education video series Gravity and Gladness. Session 7: Some Implications for Corporate Worship.**
- 5:30 p.m. Evening worship. Pastor Joseph Brinks, preaching. Offering: Cottage Grove General Fund.

**This Week at Cottage Grove**

**Tuesday, March 6**

- 9:00 a.m. **Classis Illiana** meets at Sunrise CRC in Lafayette, IN. The delegates from our church are Pastor Cary Gephart, Elder Rich K, and Deacon Mark U. Alternate delegate is Elder Eugene F.
- 9:45 – 11 a.m. **Women's Coffee Break Bible Study.** Lesson 6: Esther 4. **Nursery:** Bonnie Brink, Edie Gritter.
- 9:45 – 11 a.m. **Men's Coffee Break Bible Study.** Lesson 9: Acts 16:16-17:15.
- 7:00 p.m. **Financial Peace University Class** meets. Contact Angela U (708-240-1187) with any questions.

**Wednesday, March 7**

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

**Next week at Cottage Grove**

**Sunday, March 11**

- 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship. Pastor Cary Gephart, preaching. Sermon title: THE ETERNAL MARRIAGE. Offering: Cottage Grove General Fund.
- 5:30 p.m. Evening worship. Pastor Cary Gephart, preaching. Sermon title: MY FATHER, MY PROVIDER. Offering: Cottage Grove Education Fund.

- Deadline for the March/April **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.

### Wednesday March 14

- 7:00 p.m. **Combined Denominational Prayer Day Service** at First CRC (16248 South Park Ave.) Plan to join in a time of prayer.

### 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.

## Coming Events

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

#### From Mission Committee

**Neighbor Love Idea:** Ask a neighbor or friend over for supper and game night.

**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.

**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.

## Announcements

- The Church Office will be closed through March 13.
- **Fannie May candy bars are still available!** Calvinette Gems are selling Fannie May candy bars at \$1.25 a bar. See any Calvinette Gem or Cheri S to purchase candy bars. Thank you for your support.
- Our **Wifi** domain is CGC-Guest, and the password is Cottagegrovecrc.

## Requested Announcements

**Monday, March 5**, 9-11:00 a.m. **Calvin Christian School** in South Holland is hosting their annual **PK and Kindergarten Open House** Please RSVP to Tanya Harper, Director of Enrollment at 708.331.5027.

**Tuesday, March 6**, 7:00 p.m. **Calling all singers!** Organist, Nancy Venema, and director, Justin Rich, invite you to use your singing voices in the Easter Cantata, "How Great Thou Art" with the Community of Praise Chorale. Rehearsals are 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 [iamrich4@sbcglobal.net](mailto:iamrich4@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 doing so.

**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 and enjoy fellowship and learn about the 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 are \$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 and a concert by worship leaders and song writers, Dee and Jen Wilson, and Calvin Christian student artists. Please RSVP by Friday, March 9.

**Saturday, March 24**, 7:00-10:30 a.m. - Lansing Christian School's annual 8th grade **Pancake Breakfast**. It's all you can eat pancakes, sausage, orange juice, milk and coffee. Donations at the door! It's for a great cause, so bring the whole family. Hope to see you there!

**Saturday, April 28**, 7:00 p.m. and **Sunday, April 29**, 2:00 p.m. **Men of A-Chord annual Night of Song Concerts**. There will be **FOUR** men's choruses participating in **TWO** concerts this year at First Christian Reformed Church of South Holland.

## In Service

	March 4	March 11
Organist AM		
Pianist AM	Angela U	Beth H
Organist PM	Joanne H	
Pianist PM		Joan F
Greeters AM	Terry & Beth H	Doris H
Greeter-South AM	Rich D	Gene F
Greeters PM	Rich & Kathy K	Joel & Mary Lou N
Nursery AM	Kathy K Daniel K	Candy D Y Karese G
Ushers	Bob S Mark U Bob T	Ryan S Rich K Carl E
Video AM	Rich D	Gene F
Video PM	Neil V	Neil V
AM Cookies	Beth H	Ria B
Holland Home Driver	Judy S	Arlene L
Sound Operator	Marv S	Bob T

## Elder Districts

A – G Rick U  
H - S Gene F  
T – Z Rich K

## Deacon Districts

A – D Ryan S  
E – K Mark U  
L – T Rich D  
U – Z Bob S

