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 • November 25, 2018 Morning Worship • 9:30 a.m.

Prelude

*Call to Worship and Prayer

*Psalter Hymnal 284 Give Thanks to God, for Good is He

*Declaration of Trust and God's Greeting

*Psalter Hymnal 383 O For a Thousand Tongues

The Law of God

Hymn of Confession • Psalter Hymnal 454 Nearer, Still Nearer

Assurance of Pardon

Congregational Prayer

Offering Cottage Grove General Fund
*Psalter Hymnal 158 O God, No Longer Hold Thy Peace

Scripture Psalm 83 (pew Bible, p. 922)
Sermon SURROUNDED BY ENEMIES

Prayer of Application

*Confession of Faith The Apostle's Creed (Psalter, p. 3)

Lord's Supper

*Celebration Hymnal 295 Tell Me the Story of Jesus

*Benediction

*Celebration Hymnal 292: 5 Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne

*Postlude

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

Evening Worship 5:30 p.m.

Prelude

*Call to Worship and Prayer

*Psalter Hymnal 209: 1. 2. 5. 6 Unto the Lord Lift Thankful Voices

*Declaration of Trust and God's Greeting

*Celebration Hymnal 23: 1 – 3

The God of Abraham Praise
The Nicene Creed (Psalter, p. 4)

*Confession of Faith The Nicene Creed (Psalter, p. 4)
*Celebration Hymnal 23: 4

The Whole Triumphant Host...

The Prayers of God's People

Offering Illiana Christian High School
*Psalter Hymnal 87 All Nations Clap Your Hands

Scripture Matthew 6: 5 – 15 (pew Bible, p. 1504) Heidelberg Catechism, Lord's Day 48 & 49 Psalter, p. 61 Sermon YOUR KINGDOM COME, YOUR WILL BE DONE Prayer of Application

*Celebration Hymnal 374

Victory Chant

*Benediction

*Celebration Hymnal 2 Holy God, We Praise Thy Name

*Postlude

Today at Cottage Grove

- 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship. Pastor Cary Gephart, preaching.
 Offering: Cottage Grove General Fund. Lord's Supper.
- 11:00 a.m. Sunday School Christmas Program practice. Homework due: lesson 9.
- 11:00 a.m. Adult Education: Ray Vander Laan video.
- 11:00 a.m. **Deacons** meet.
- 11:00 a.m. Consistory meets.
- 5:30 p.m. Evening worship. Pastor Cary Gephart, preaching. Offering: Illiana Christian High School.

<u>This Week a</u>t Cottage Grove

Wednesday, November 28

- 6:30 7:45 a.m. **Men's Prayer Breakfast** at Sheffield's Restaurant (1027 Sheffield Ave., Dyer, IN).
- 5:30 6:30 p.m. **Midweek meal.** Please sign up on the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall if you plan on attending. There will also be a DVD of Ray Vander Laan at 7 P.M. Please join us for a time of food and fellowship.
- 7:00 p.m. Calvinette GEMS meet.
- 7:00 p.m. Cadets meet.

Thursday, November 29

■ 12 noon. Bulletin deadline.

Next week at Cottage Grove

Sunday, December 2

- 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship. Pastor Joseph Brinks, preaching. Sermon title: "TODAY IN THE TOWN OF DAVID A SAVIOR HAS BEEN BORN ... MESSIAH, THE LORD." Offering: Cottage Grove General Fund.
- 5:30 p.m. Evening worship. Pastor Joseph Brinks, preaching. Sermon Title: "FOR IT IS BY GRACE YOU HAVE BEEN SAVED, THROUGH FAITH ...". Offering:

Coming Events

Friday, December 14

■ 5:45 p.m. Caroling at Holland Home. Come sing some Christmas carols and spread holiday cheer to the residents of Holland Home! We will be meeting at church at 5:45 PM to leave for Holland Home. No sign up is required, and we will provide music for all who attend. After we are done, we will reconvene at church for some hot chocolate and desserts! Questions? Contact Mark U at (708) 955-5221.

Our Church Family

- Marge K is in Christ Hospital for treatment of a tear in the esophagus after minor surgery to remove a drain in her abdomen. Pray for strength and healing.
- Pray strength for Marlene U who is at University of Chicago Hospital for tests. Pray for wisdom for the doctors as they determine a course of treatment.
- The sympathy of the congregation is expressed to Jan H and to Tom & Cele B at the passing of Marvin H. May the Lord comfort those who mourn the loss of this loved one.

From Mission Committee

- BELLS OF HOPE. This is the last Sunday to select a bell. This is an opportunity to share the love of God with family members of the inmates at Cook County Jail. The gifts are due back no later than Sunday, December 2. Please make sure you include on the gift the <u>name and number</u> of the person you are purchasing the gift for. Please keep the wrapping as simple as possible so the gifts can be sorted and packed easier.
- Neighbor Love Idea: Help a neighbor with a fix-it project.
- Save your cancelled postage stamps! The Alliance Stamp Ministry sells cancelled postage stamps for Christian materials in Central and South America. Place your cancelled stamps in the box in the Fellowship Hall. This is an ongoing project...and it doesn't cost you anything! With Christmas coming and everyone getting extra mail let's see how many stamps we can collect!

Announcements

- Our Wifi domain is CGC-Guest, and the password is Cottagegrovecrc.
- Our GEMS club is looking for women to come to a Wednesday night meeting (or 2). An extra pair of hands would be a great blessing to both our counselors and our GEMS. Dates, further details, and a sign-up sheet are on the library bulletin board.
- General Fund offerings needed each week to make budget \$3,068. General Fund offerings for 11/4: \$4,567.10. Over/(Short) \$1499.10. General Fund offerings for 11/11: \$1,159. Over/(Short) (\$1909).

Requested Announcements

Friday, November 30, at 8 p.m. and Saturday, December 1, at 2 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. Moody's Candlelight Carols. Celebrate the 200th Anniversary of "Silent Night". Tickets are available on October 15 starting at \$10 per ticket. You'll love Candlelight Carols. This year's theme, The Silent Night, recalls the precious moment of peace during World War I when German and British troops ceased fire to celebrate Christ's birth. Join us for an evening of quality drama, worshipful music, and Christmas cheer.

Sunday December 2, 2:00 p.m. Illiana Oratorio Society cordially invites you to attend their annual presentation of Handel's Messiah. The concert will be at First Christian Reformed Church (located at 16248 South Park Ave., South Holland, IL). Please join us as we present this marvelous work to God's praise!

December 7 and 8. Cedar Lake Ministries Merry and Bright Christmas Concert Series. Each concert will begin at 6 p.m. with an exquisite buffet dinner, dessert, and a wonderful concert. Friday, December 7 features Tribute Quartet, a Southern Gospel group, singing songs of the season and music with a message that will leave you refreshed and uplifted. Saturday, December 8 features Mark Bishop, an award-winning singer, leading Gospel songwriter, and producer with 30+ years of Gospel music, singing songs of the season and sharing captivating stories of love, faith, and family through his storytelling music. Merry and Bright ticket pricing is as follows: Early-bird - \$40 per person (before 11/30); Standard - \$50 per person; Groups of 6 or more – \$5 off. Purchase your tickets bv calling 219-374-5941 by or visitina www.cedarlakeministries.org. Groups welcome! Proceeds will support the life-changing work of Cedar Lake Ministries.

Saturday, December 15, 7 p.m. Come celebrate the Christmas season with song! The Men of A-Chord cordially invite you to join them in A Festival of Nine Lessons in Carols for Christmastide at Thorn Creek Reformed Church of South Holland, IL. Come join the singing with the Carols and Songs of the Season celebrating Christ's birth! Justin Rich, director; Beverly Hoitsma, pianist; and

Nancy Venema, organist. Betsy Archer will be with us this year as soprano soloist. A free-will offering will be taken.

June 11-18, 2019. The Illiana Christian High School Foundation is planning an eight-day, seven-night trip to Boston, Martha's Vineyard and surrounding areas for alumni and friends of Illiana. The trip will be led by Jeff White, a history teacher at ICHS. This guided tour will include two days on Martha's Vineyard, visits to New Bedford, Concord, Lowell and Plymouth, and several days in Boston. The cost is \$1,850 per person for double occupancy or \$2,600 for single occupancy and includes airfare, transportation during the week, lodging, admission to all attractions and at least two meals a day. No Sunday activities will be planned. We are looking for commitments (\$250 non-refundable deposit) by December 20 with full payment due by February 1. For any questions regarding the trip or to receive an informational brochure, please contact Bonnie Trepton (708) 474-0515 ext. 24 or Jeff White at jeff.white@illianachristian.org.

In Service			
	November 25	December 2	
Organist AM		Arlene V Z	
Pianist AM	Joan F		
Organist PM		Judy S	
Pianist PM	Barb U		
Greeters AM	Karen K		
Greeter-South AM	Ken B	Bob T	
Greeters PM	Dave & Gail V K		
Nursery AM	Bethany T Bethany W	Beth H Dale H	
Ushers	Dave V K	Mark U Bob T	
Video AM	Ken B	Bob T	
Video PM	Neil V	Neil V	
AM Cookies	Gert V M	Birdie V Z	
Holland Home Driver	Dave V K	Arlene L	
Sound Operator	Jon K	Marv S	

Dea	con Districts		Elder Districts
A-D	Ryan S	A-G	Rick U
E-H	Mark U	H-S	Will V Z (Dec-Apr)
I-R	Ken B	H-L	Hank B (Apr-Nov)
S-U	Rich D	M-S	Will V M (Apr-Nov)
V-Z	Bob T	T-Z	Rich K



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