

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 • December 16, 2018
Morning Worship • 9:30 a.m.

Prelude
*Call to Worship and Prayer
*Celebration Hymnal 290 As with Gladness Men of Old
*Declaration of Trust and God's Greeting
*Celebration Hymnal 261 Away in a Manger

Call to Confession Romans 6: 19 – 23
Prayer of Confession
Song of Assurance • Celebration Hymnal 293: 3

Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness

Guide for Godly Living 1 Corinthians 13

Preparing for the Lord’s Supper

Congregational Prayer

Offering Cottage Grove General Fund
*Psalter Hymnal 346 Christians, Awake, Salute the Happy Morn

Scripture Joshua 2 (pew Bible, p. 332)
Text Matthew 1 (pew Bible, p. 1496)
Sermon WAITING FOR JUDGEMENT - RAHAB
Prayer of Application

*Psalter Hymnal 343 Brightest and Best of the Sons
*Benediction
*Closing Song • Celebration Hymnal 282: 1 O Thou Joyful, O Thou Wonderful

*Postlude

*Please stand if able. Bold denotes projected items.

Evening Worship • 5:30 p.m.

Prelude
*Call to Worship and Prayer
*Celebration Hymnal 716 Jehovah Jireh
*Declaration of Trust and God's Greeting
*Celebration Hymnal 706 Thy Lovingkindness
*Confession of Faith The Apostles’ Creed (Psalter, p. 3)

Responsive Reading • Celebration Hymnal 176 He Has Blessed Us
Psalter Hymnal 332 My Soul Doth Magnify the Lord
The Prayers of God's People
Offering Cottage Grove Education Fund
*Celebration Hymnal 669 Make Me a Servant

Scripture Matthew 6: 5 – 15 (pew Bible, p. 1504)
Heidelberg Catechism, Lord’s Days 50 and 51 Psalter, p. 62
Sermon DAILY BREAD, DEBTS & DEBTORS
Prayer of Application

*Celebration Hymnal 654 Change My Heart, O God
*Benediction
*Celebration Hymnal 284 The Birthday of a King
*Postlude

Today at Cottage Grove

- 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship. Pastor Cary Gephart, preaching. Offering: Cottage Grove General Fund.
- 11:00 a.m. Sunday School for 4-year olds – 4th grade. Lesson 10. No homework due.
- 11:00 a.m. Catechism for 5th - 6th grade. Lesson 10. No homework due.
- 5:30 p.m. Evening worship. Pastor Cary Gephart, preaching. Offering: Cottage Grove Education Fund which ensures that all of our children can attend Christian schools.
- 7:00 p.m. Praise Ensemble practice.

This Week at Cottage Grove

- Tuesday, December 18
- 7:00 p.m. Education Committee meets.
- Wednesday, December 19
- 6:30 – 7:45 a.m. Men’s Prayer Breakfast at Sheffield’s Restaurant (1027 Sheffield Ave., Dyer, IN).
- Thursday, December 20
- 12 noon. Bulletin deadline.

Next week at Cottage Grove

- Sunday, December 23
- 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship. Pastor Cary Gephart, preaching. Sermon title: WAITING FOR THE KING - BATHSHEBA. Offering: Cottage Grove General Fund. Lord’s Supper.
 - 5:30 p.m. Evening worship. Pastor Cary Gephart, preaching. Sermon Title: LEAD US NOT INTO TEMPTATION. Offering: Bethshan.
- Tuesday, December 25
- 10:00 a.m. Christmas Day Worship service. Pastor Cary Gephart, preaching. Sermon title: REJOICING IN THE PROMISED ONE - MARY. Offering: Cottage Grove Mission Fund. Organist: Arlene V Z; Pianist: Beth H; Greeters: Ryan & Alecia S; Nursery: Edie G, Beth E; Usher: Dave V K; Holland Home Driver: Ria B; Sound: Jon K.

Coming Events

- Sunday, December 30
- 7:30 p.m. One Last Christmas Carol Sing with Men of A-Chord. Featuring meditations by Dr. Joel Nederhood., instrumentalists, concluding with the Hallelujah Chorus. Invite your friends.

Our Church Family

- Continue to pray for strength and healing for Marge K.
- Marlene U is at the Villas in South Holland for therapy to gain strength. Pray that her strength will improve.
- “Rejoice with us in the birth of our granddaughter, Isla Elise Schaap, 9 pounds, 13 ounces, 23 inches long. Isla was born on Wednesday, December 12, to Jonathan and Julia S.” Marv and Carol.

From Mission Committee

- Neighbor Love Idea: Take a neighbor to a Christmas play, drama, or carol sing.
- 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.

Requested Announcements

Thursday, January 10, 7:30 p.m. The **Dordt College Concert Choir** from Sioux Center, IA, invites you to a concert at First Christian Reformed Church in South Holland. The concert is part of a winter music tour with performances in Wisconsin, Illinois, Iowa, and Indiana. Directed by Mr. Ryan Smit, the ensembles will perform a wide variety of choral music, including hymn arrangements, gospel, classics from Mozart and Brahms, multi-cultural songs from around the globe, and profound works from exciting new composers. The concert is free, with a freewill offering received to help defray tour expenses. If you are willing to host 2-4 students after the concert, please contact Deb DeJong at 708-899-9957 or email her at davedebdj@sbcglobal.net.

Thursday, January 17, 6:30-8:00 pm, Lansing Christian School will be holding PreK Preview Day for students who will be entering PreK3 and PreK4 for the 2019-2020 school year. If your child will be between the ages of 3-4 by September 1, 2019, we invite you to come! We offer half or full day and 3 or 5 day classes. Please call the school office at 708-474-1700 or email office@lansingchristian.org, if you will be attending or for more information.

Thursday, January 24, 6:30-8:00 pm., Lansing Christian School will be holding Kindergarten Preview Night for students who will be entering Kindergarten the 2019-2020 school year. If your child will be 5 by September 1, 2019, you are invited to come! We will have information on both our English track and Spanish Immersion track. Call the school office at 708-474-1700 or email office@lansingchristian.org, if you will be attending or for more information.

Calvin Christian School is seeking a bus driver. If you are interested, or know of someone who is, please contact Randy Moes, Principal, at rmoes@calvinschool.org or call the school office at 708-331-5027 for more information.

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		
	December 16	December 23
Organist AM	Arlene V Z	Arlene V Z
Pianist AM		
Organist PM		
Pianist PM	Joan F	Joan F
Greeters AM	Willard & Arlene V Z	Judy S
Greeter-South AM	Rick U	Rich D
Greeters PM	Marv & Carol S	Bob & Cheri S
Nursery AM	Grace H Zeke H	Ria B Peyton G
Ushers	Terry W Rick U	Dave V K
Video AM	Rick U	Rich D
Video PM	Neil V	Neil V
AM Cookies	Joanne V	Gail W
Holland Home Driver	Rich K	Ria B
Sound Operator	Marv S	Jon K

Deacon 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



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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