Gary United Methodist Church August 2, 2020

Congregational Care

Our sympathy to

Diane Anderson on the death of her husband, Don Anderson, on June 22. Services are private. Carol Carr on the death of her husband, Jim Carr, on July 22. Services are private. Bernard & Susan McGuan on the death of Susan's uncle, Paul Daugirda, on July 25.

Stay Connected to the Church Family

Worship Talk: Sundays at 10:15 a.m. live via Zoom. This virtual coffee hour includes a facilitated conversation with Dan Wible about the morning's service. Grab your coffee and click on the meeting link right beneath the worship service at <u>garychurch.org</u>.

Make a Music Video for Summertime Worship! We invite you to make a video of any hymn or sacred song that is familiar and comfortable for you to be used in our on-line worship services. Contact Jennifer Whiting at <u>jwhiting@garychurch.org</u> for tips for filming and details for submitting your video.

Lectionary Readings

- This week's readings: Genesis 32:22–31, Psalm 17:1–7, 15, Romans 9:1–5, and Matthew 14:13–21
- Next week's readings: Genesis 37:1-4, 12-28, Psalm 105:1-6, 16-22, 45b, Romans 10:5-15, and Matthew 14:22-33

Share and Wear "Gary Cares"

- Yard Signs: Display a sign in your yard as a means of encouragement and invitation. Signs can be picked up at the church. The building will be locked so call when you arrive. A suggested \$10 donation per sign can be made on our <u>website</u>.
- New T-Shirts: These shirts express that at Gary Church we find hope, love, and a home with one another and God. We have some extras, so you can still get one for \$20. Contact the <u>Church Office</u> to reserve yours and arrange pick-up.

Gary Kids Families Back-to-School Picnic: Sun., Aug. 9, 1 p.m. Atten Park, 1720 S. Wiesbrook Rd., Wheaton. Bring your own food, drinks, utensils, and blanket/chairs, and we'll bring the fun! Spots are limited to 50 participants, so register through our <u>website</u> today!

Hymns at Twilight Recording Available: Our virtual hymn-sing was well attended and well received. If you were unable to attend Hymns at Twilight with Kevin Lange, please enjoy this recording on <u>YouTube</u>.

Stay Connected to the Mission

Your Tithes and Offerings: To support the ongoing mission and ministry of Gary Church, please consider making a gift. Here are three ways to continue your tithes and offerings.

- Online: Make a regular or one-time gift at garychurch.org/giving.
- **Text-to-Give:** Text 844-928-1220 on a cell phone. Enter a dollar amount followed by the word "GARY" and follow the instructions.
- Checks: Mail a check to Gary Church, 224 N. Main St., Wheaton, IL 60187.

People's Resource Center Annual School Supply Drive: Through Fri., Aug. 7. Supplies will be distributed to 1,000 families. You can order from the personalized PRC registries on the <u>Target</u>, <u>Walmart</u>, or <u>Amazon</u> websites, and have the items delivered directly to PRC. You can also purchase and deliver the items yourself, or make a financial contribution. See <u>peoplesrc.org</u> for a list of requested items and drop-off procedures.

Prescription for Life Bottles: Is that bottle, filled with change for the Outreach Community Ministries Older Adult Program, still sitting on your counter? We are happy to accept your donation. You can bring it to the Church Office during office hours. The building will be locked, so call the Church Office when you arrive.

COVID-19 Update: The following are guidelines from Gary's Health Team. For the latest information, visit our website.

- The Church Office has Reopened: Limited appointment-only hours are Mon.–Fri., 10 a.m.–3 p.m. The building will remain locked. Upon entering Door 5, there will be a check-in/screening area and hand sanitizing station.
- **Groups:** Groups of 50 or fewer may meet in limited, designated spaces and will need to be scheduled through the <u>Church</u> <u>Office</u>. Strict safety guidelines outlined on the COVID-19 Response page of <u>garychurch.org</u> must be followed. Funerals/ weddings of 50 or fewer (including pastors and ushers) may also be scheduled through the <u>Church Office</u> and must adhere to safety guidelines..
- Worship: Worship will continue online only as our Health Team plans for the next steps.

