



Gary United Methodist Church

224 N. Main St., Wheaton, IL

www.garychurch.org

Sunday, Apr. 14, 2019

A CONCERT OF HANDBELLS

CROSS WIND

Sunday, April 28, 2019

4:00 P.M. IN THE GARY CHURCH SANCTUARY
DOORS OPEN AT 3:30 P.M.

Presented by the Handbell Ensembles of Gary Church.

A reception will immediately follow the concert and a freewill offering will be received.

Today at Gary Church

Kids' Church following the Children's Time at 9 a.m. worship

Preschool 3's-4's meet in the Preschool Room on the lower level

Kindergarten-Grade 3 meet in the Lower Level Lobby

Lenten Study: Forgiveness: 10 a.m. in the Chapel. Forgiving others and humbly asking for forgiveness are central disciplines for all Christian believers. Lent, a time to reflect on our Christian journey, is an appropriate season to deepen our understanding and practice of forgiveness. Using Marjorie J. Thompson's book *Forgiveness*, we will explore this topic as Christian people in community.

10 a.m. Sunday School for Children and Youth

Preschool 3's-Kindergarten meet in the Preschool Room

Grades 1-5 meet in Gamon Hall

Grades 6-7 meet in the Heritage Room

Confirmation (Grade 8) meets in the Jr. High Room

Grades 9-12 meet in the Sr. High Room

Explore Membership: 1:30-3 p.m. in the Anderson Room. If you are considering membership, join the pastors and others newer to Gary to get better acquainted and discuss what it means to be United Methodist.

Upcoming Sundays

Navigating Our Digital World: Apr. 28-May 26, 10 a.m. in the Anderson Room, led by Alexa Isaac. Feel like your kids are drowning in a sea of apps and devices? Want to talk about digital media more with your kids, but aren't sure how? Come explore *Every Parent's Guide to Navigating our Digital World*, published by Fuller Youth Institute. This practical resource helps you think and talk differently about digital media, as you learn from inspiring and creative parents like you who navigate these ever-changing waters day after day.

Many Ways to Pray: Apr. 28, May 5, and May 12, 10 a.m. in the Chapel, led by Rev. Dr. Jamie Hanna Williams. Come experiment with different ways to pray and listen for God. *Visio divina*, the practice of focusing on a photograph or work of art, will help us to unlock meaning and listen for God's voice. We will learn practices to remember our dreams and then explore what they might be telling us about ourselves, others, the world, and God. Through the ancient *Prayer of Examen*, part of the *Spiritual Exercises of Ignatius of Loyola*, we will discover a gentle way to examine our hearts before God and receive God's grace and love. Please join us!

Registration is open for participants and volunteers at garychurch.org

Children entering
Preschool 4's-grade
4 are invited to
Roar Vacation Bible
School.

At Roar, kids
will explore God's
goodness and
celebrate a
ferocious faith
that powers them
through this wild



Blast Camp 2019

Blast Camp is an
action-packed week
of service, small
groups, and fun for
students entering
grades 5-8.

Adult and high
school volunteers
can register on our
website.

Monday-Friday, June 17-21, 9 a.m.-12 p.m.

Gary Church in Mission

DuPage Habitat for Humanity Work Days: Saturdays, Apr. 27 and May 18. Help build a home right here in our county. No previous experience is required. Contact the Church Office for information on how to register for one or both of these days.

Prescription for Life bottles are being collected. You can still help support the Older Adults Program at Outreach Community Center by dropping off a donation at the Church Office.

April is Gary's month at ESSE (adult day care). Each Apr., Gary Church provides visits and treats to the Wheaton site located at St. Paul's Lutheran Church. Sign up in the Commons or contact Deb Connor through the Church Office.

Bake for Guatemala: Sun., May 5, 8:30 a.m.–12 p.m. in the Commons. Bakers, please share your skills to raise funds for the salary of a teacher at Fundaniños Orphanage, Guatemala. Bring your baked goods before the 9 a.m. service on May 5 to sell at the Bake and Craft Sale that morning.

CROP Hunger Walk: Sun., May 5. The 3+ mile walk starts and ends at Grace Lutheran Church, 493 Forest Ave., Glen Ellyn. Check-in at 1 p.m., walk at 2 p.m. Sign up in the Commons or at crophungerwalk.org/glenellyn/garyumc2019. Join us in the fight against hunger!

People's Resource Center Needs: Diapers for both children and adults. Donations can be brought to the PRC container in the Commons. **Food Pantry Workers** to unpack boxes, restock shelves and assist shoppers at the Wheaton site on Saturdays, 8:30 a.m.–12 p.m. Contact volunteerdepartment@Peoplesrc.org if you are able to help.

Please Note

Next Week's Lectionary Readings: We invite you to include the lectionary readings in your devotion times. Readings for next week are Acts 10:34–43, Psalm 118:1–2, 14–24, 1 Corinthians 15:19–26, John 20:1–18, or Luke 24:1–12.

Easter Egg Hunt Donations Needed: Plastic eggs and candy are needed for this event on Apr. 21. Bring donations to the Church Office by Wed., Apr. 17.

Styrofoam Recycling: Sun., Apr. 28, 10 a.m.–12 p.m. in the south driveway. Bring your rinsed food containers in one bag and solid packing materials in a separate bag, and our volunteers will take the materials to the recycling center in Aurora.

Ways to Serve: Positions are available for **ushers** at the 9 and 11 a.m. worship services and for a **bus driver** once a month to pick up those not able to drive to church. Contact the Church Office.

Graduating from High School or College? We invite you to submit the names of those from the Gary/Winfield Church family who are graduating from high school or college. Contact the Church Office with their name, school of graduation, intended college/degree, or other details by Mon., May 13. High School graduates will be recognized in worship on Sun., Jun. 9.

Children's and Youth Ministries

Word & Table: Today, 6:30–8 p.m. at the Mathis home. High schoolers will gather to share a meal and enjoy time together.

Gary Youth Midweek: Wednesdays, 7–8:30 p.m. in the Activity Center. Middle school students, join us to meet new friends and get plugged into Gary Youth ministries.

Parent's Night Out: Fri., Apr. 26, 6:30–8:30 p.m. in the Lower Level. Drop off your children, ages 6 months–grade 3, and enjoy a night out while the kids enjoy play time. Reservations are required through the Church Office and a donation of \$5 per child is suggested.

CIY Summer Camps: We are thrilled to have camp options for both middle and high schoolers this summer! High School: MOVE Camp, Mon.–Fri., Jun. 24–29 in Holland, MI. Middle School: MIX Camp, Mon.–Fri., July 29–Aug. 2 in Carlinville, IL. Details and registration are at www.garychurch.org.

The Gary Youth Summer Calendar is now available on the bulletin board in the Commons. Pick up a copy today.

Upcoming Events at Gary Church

Lunch Group: Thurs., Apr. 18, 12 p.m. in the Commons. Bring a dish to share. Cost: \$2.

Theology + Film: Wed., Apr. 24, 7 p.m. in the Chapel. This group views films through a theological lens to deepen our faith and better understand our world. Come be part of this engaging viewing and lively discussion.

The Lunchtime Literary Group's next meeting will be Tues., May 28, 12 p.m. in the Anderson Room. We'll discuss *Eleanor Oliphant Is Completely Fine* by Gail Honeyman.

Family Camp: Friday–Sunday, July 19–21, at Pine Lake Camp, WI. Details and registration information are available at garychurch.org.

Burning Bush—An Outreach of Gary Church

TEAR: Now showing through Apr. 19, featuring the works of Peter Thompson and Jeff Thompson. In Judeo-Christian tradition, the tearing of garments is a physical sign of grief. Ultimately, our sin and separation from God are the most painful elements of our existence and we find comfort in our tears, knowing that God has promised that he will not despise the contrite. Join us for an Artists' Reception today, 1–3 p.m.

For more information visit www.garychurch.org or the Chimes newsletter.