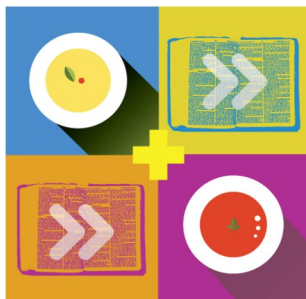




*Sunday, March 18, 4:00 p.m.
in the Sanctuary*

Come see our children and students present this amusing musical by Tom Long and Allen Pote that proposes to retell the entire Old Testament in 10 minutes!

Filled with humor, catchy melodies, and Biblical truths, this musical is sure to delight the entire family.



Soup & Chili Cook-off

Following the musical, stay for the Soup & Chili Cook-Off and Auction which benefits the Gary Youth summer mission trip to Nashville.

Tickets for the cook-off are \$7 per person or \$20 for a family. Sign up in the Commons to enter your best soup and/or chili in the cook-off for the opportunity to win the prestigious Golden Ladle and bragging rights for another year!

In past years we have been blessed to receive many donations to our live and silent auctions from church members. Can you help this year? You can get creative; some of our highest-ticket items are potluck BBQ's and hosted dinners, travels local and world-wide, and creatively themed baskets.

*If you have a donation idea,
contact Alexa at aisaac@garychurch.org.*



Gary United Methodist Church

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February 25, 2018

Gary Church in Mission

Habitat for Humanity: Be part of our first Gary work day with DuPage Habitat for Humanity on Mar. 3. We will install siding on a new home being constructed in Hanover Park. No previous experience is required: only an open mind, flexibility, and a desire to work hard and help build a home right here in our county. Contact Gerry Schmidt through the Church Office to volunteer.

The People's Resource Center is in need of *Open Class Tutors* to help adult students with independent work they bring to Open Classroom at the Wheaton location. Many students bring in English (reading, writing, speaking) homework, study for the GED or citizenship interview, or work on college-level assignments. Tutors float around, lending a hand where possible. Volunteer shifts are from 9:30–11:30 a.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays, or Fridays. Contact Lucinda Page at VolunteerDepartment@Peoplesrc.org for more information.

Children's and Youth Ministries

Gary Youth Midweek: We will not meet this week. Middle and high school students are invited to join us on March 7 from 7–8:30 p.m. in the Activity Center.

Serve Sunday: Mar. 4, 3–4 p.m. The first Sunday of every month we spend an hour playing Bingo with the residents of Brighton Garden Assisted Living in Wheaton. All middle and high school students are welcome to join us!

Playgroup: Mar. 8 from 4–5 p.m. at Gary Church. The kids can run around, ride scooters, and play with balls and hula hoops. Snacks and juice boxes will be provided. All kids are welcome to attend.

4th & 5th Grade Fellowship: Mar. 16 from 6:30–8:30 p.m. in the Chapel. 4th & 5th grade fellowship students will enjoy a movie party! Wear PJ's and bring your pillow and blanket for this fun night of fellowship.

Parent's Night Out: Mar. 16 from 6:30–8:30 p.m. in the Lower Level Lobby. Parent's Night Out is open to children ages 6 months–grade 3. Reservations are required through Gary's Church Office and a donation of \$5 per child is suggested.

Gary Youth Summer Mission Trip: June 25–30. We are heading to Nashville, TN this year to partner with SLAM Ministries (Students Living a Mission). Students completing eighth grade through those completing high school are encouraged to be part of this service week. Cost: \$325 if registered by Mar. 18 or \$350 by the registration deadline of Apr. 29. \$50 sibling discount for additional registrations. Register at www.garychurch.org.

Opportunities at Gary Church

Pastor's Lenten Study: Wednesdays through Mar. 28 at 10 a.m. in the Anderson Room. We will use as source material *God Has a Dream: A Vision of Hope for Our Time* by Desmond Tutu, as well as Dr. Martin Luther King's *I Have a Dream Speech* and Isaiah 58, as we attempt to "see with the eyes of the heart and in stillness hear God's voice" during such a time as this.

The Lunchtime Literary Group will meet Feb. 27 at 12 p.m. to discuss *Britt-Marie Was Here* by Frederick Backman. Read the book, pack a lunch, and join us in the Commons.

Women's Bible Study: Feb. 27 at 7 p.m. in the Anderson Room. All are welcome as we begin a new study using the book *Galations: Why God Accepts Us* by Jack Kuhatschek.

Grief Support Group Coffee: Feb. 28 at 10 a.m. in Commons A. All who have been a part of the Grief Support Group, as well as anyone else who has had a loss, are welcome to join us. Our new 10-week series will begin on Wednesday, Mar. 8 at 10 a.m.

Gary/Winfield Lunch Group will meet on Mar. 8 at 12 p.m. in Gary's Commons. Main dish provided. Bring a dish to share. Cost: \$2 per person. All are welcome.

Faith Club: A Women's Interfaith Book Discussion Group: Mar. 8 at 6:30 p.m. in the Anderson Room. The Faith Club brings women of Gary Church together with other women of Christian, Jewish, and Islamic faith for book discussion and to learn from and about one another. We will discuss parts I and II of *Sacred Ground* by Eboo Patel. Please RSVP to Cathy Mousseau through the Church Office if you would like to attend.

Please Note

Communion during Lent: We will celebrate Holy Communion at the 11 a.m. service each Sunday during Lent, beginning February 18 and continuing through Easter Sunday.

Altar Flowers: If you would like to provide flowers for our altar on Sunday mornings, call or e-mail the Church Office.

Burning Bush Art Gallery—An Outreach of Gary Church

Now Showing: *Wheaton North High School National Art Honor Society Exhibit* on display through Mar. 4. The exhibit features works from top art students.

Acorn Coffeehouse presents Meagan Wells on Mar. 3 at 8 p.m. Doors open at 7:30 p.m. Cost: \$10. Megan is an award-winning story and theater artist who infuses characters with living souls.

Calendars for Burning Bush events such as drum circles, open mic nites, artist events, and Gong meditations are available in the Commons.

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



Wesley Catechism

Thursdays, March 1–April 12

(no class March 29)

6:30–7:30 p.m. in Commons E

This 6-session class will cover the 10 Commandments, the United Methodist Articles of Religion, and The Lord's Prayer.

If you are looking for an introduction to Christian thought, United Methodist beliefs, or insights to help your walk with Christ, this class is for you! Please register with the Church Office so you can receive the materials.

led by Rev. Ryan Kiblinger, a United Methodist Pastor from Texas and Doctoral Candidate from Trinity Evangelical Divinity School.



Praise
WORSHIP
Make a Joyful noise unto the Lord!
Saturday, March 3
5:00 p.m.

Praise Services are held on the first Saturday of each month at Winfield United Methodist Church.