



Gary United Methodist Church

224 N. Main St., Wheaton, IL
www.garychurch.org

February 10, 2019

Gary Church in Mission

Helping Hands Book Drive for Bernie's Books: today–Sun., Feb. 17. Gary Kids will be collecting gently used children's books to donate to Bernie's Book Bank which distributes quality children's books to at-risk infants, toddlers, and school-age children in the area. Donations can be dropped off on Sunday mornings in the Lower Level. For more information about Bernie's Book Bank, go to berniesbookbank.org.

FEED THE NEED, a Feed My Starving Children MobilePack: Sat., Feb. 16, 3:30–5:30 p.m. at North Central College, Naperville. Register in the Commons on Sunday mornings or through the Church Office. Children ages 5 and older are welcome to pack with an adult. Donations in any amount are always appreciated. Make checks payable to Gary with FMSC in the memo line. Contact Kathi Hodges or Audrey Cicmanec through the Church Office if you have questions.

Children's and Youth Ministries

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

Gary Youth Midweek: Wednesdays from 7–8:30 p.m. in the Activity Center. Middle school students are invited to get plugged into Gary Youth ministries.

Parent's Night Out: Fri., Feb. 15, 6:30–8:30 p.m. in the Lower Level. Drop off your children at Gary and enjoy a night out while the kids enjoy supervised play time. Parent's Night Out is open to children ages 6 months–grade 3. Reservations are required through the Church Office and a donation of \$5 per child is suggested.

4th & 5th Grade Fellowship | PADS Mission: Wed., Feb. 20, 6:30–8 p.m. in the Kitchen. We will pack over forty lunches for homeless families in DuPage county. Donations of water bottles, granola bars, and apples are needed and can be brought to the Church Office.

Please Note

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

Bus driver needed for the third Sunday of the month to pick up those not able to drive to church. Contact the Church Office for more information.

Auction Items Needed for Soup & Chili Cook-off and Auction: Sun., Mar. 17. We are so thankful for auction items donated each year to support the Gary Youth summer mission trip, but also have a need for new donations to help us reach our fundraising goal. If you can help, please contact Alexa Isaac at aissac@garychurch.org with your donation ideas.



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Upcoming Events at Gary Church

Faith Club: A Women's Interfaith Group meets on Thurs., Feb. 14, 6:30 p.m. in the Anderson Room. Join other women of Christian, Jewish, and Islamic faith to discuss *The Autobiography of Malcolm X*.

Piano Recital at Winfield UMC: Sat., Feb. 16, 7 p.m. by Anatoliy Torchinskiy. Anatoliy plays concerts as a solo artist in chamber music ensembles, as an opera accompanist, and he teaches piano. All are welcome to attend this wonderful evening of music.

Lenten E-Devotional: One of our traditions is a "self-published" Lenten devotional—a compilation of personal stories or testimonials of God at work in our lives. New and returning contributors are invited to choose a scripture passage and reflect on it in writing or through art. Please register to contribute at garychurch.org or through the Church Office. Then submit your devotional to kaustin@garychurch.org by Feb. 15.

Third Thursday Lunch Group: Thurs., Feb. 21, 11:50 a.m. at Travanse Senior Living, 219 Parkway Dr., Wheaton. Note change in location. There will be a program on heart health during the luncheon. RSVP required through the Church Office.

2019 Women's Retreat: Fri.–Sat., Feb. 22–23, at La Salle Manor Retreat Center in Plano, IL. Come gather with other women of Gary and Winfield Churches to draw near to God through creative prayer, holy listening, and interactive worship. Cost: \$145. See garychurch.org for more information and to register by Tues., Feb. 12.

Euchre Tournament: Sat., Feb. 23, 7 p.m. in the Commons. We're fundraising for Gary Youth by hosting a Euchre tournament, one of our favorite student pastimes while we are on trips. All who know the basics of the game are welcome! Snacks will be provided. Sign up by emailing Alexa at aisaac@garychurch.org. Cost: \$20 per person.

Styrofoam Recycling: Sun., Feb. 24, 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 team of volunteers will take the materials to the recycling center in Aurora.

Theology + Film: Wed., Feb. 27, 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.

Lux: The Dawn from on High: Sun., Mar. 3 during the 9 and 11 a.m. worship services. The Festival Choir and Orchestra of Gary Church, with guest artists Henriët Fourie and Andrzej Stec, will present this work from Dan Forrest.

Burning Bush—An Outreach of Gary Church

Radical Love: from Occupy to Standing Rock featuring the works of local artist Frank Esposito is on display through Mar. 3. Frank uses photography to educate and organize in the endless struggle for equal human rights, social justice, and to instill respect for Mother Earth. Join us for an Artist's Reception today, 1–3 p.m.

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