

Variety Show "Try-outs"

Sunday, February 23, 2 p.m.



Get your act together and be part of this joyful, intergenerational event spotlighting the many talents of Gary Church!

**All ages...
Serious or humorous...
Sacred or secular...
Individuals or groups...
Music, dance, story-telling, and more...**

Technical rehearsal | Saturday, March 7, 10:30 a.m.
Variety Show | Sunday, March 8, 4 p.m.

Followed by Soup & Chili Cook-off + Auction

If you have questions, contact Sarah Cline through the Church Office.



Gary United Methodist Church

224 N. Main St., Wheaton, IL

www.garychurch.org

Sun., Feb. 16, 2020

Gary Church in Mission

Feb. Mission Focus: People's Resource Center. With locations in Wheaton and Westmont, PRC offers food, clothing, literacy classes, mentoring, art classes, computer classes, and citizenship classes. Go to peoplesrc.org to learn about volunteer opportunities. Direct monetary donations to the Church Office.

Save the date for CROP Walk: Sun., May 3. Gary Church will be hosting this three-mile walk to raise funds and awareness for the continued fight against hunger locally and around the world. You can register to walk and/or make donations at crophungerwalk.org/glenellynil/garyumc2020. As host of the walk, we will need many volunteers to prepare and on the day of the walk. Contact Judy Selby through the Church Office for ways to help.

Gary Kids and Gary Youth

My Gym Playdate: Today, 4-5:30 p.m. Come get those wiggles out of your little ones at My Gym, 43 E. Danada Sq., Wheaton. Cost: \$10 per child.

High School Sunday Nights will not meet tonight. Join us next Sun., Feb. 23, 7-8:30 p.m. at the Austin's home to share a meal.

4th & 5th Grade Fellowship: FUNTOPIA! Fri., Feb. 21, 6:30-8:30 p.m. in Naperville. We will meet at and return to Gary. Cost: \$10. RSVP through the Church Office by Wed., Feb. 19.

Parent's Night Out: Fri., Feb. 21, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Drop off your children at Gary and enjoy a night out while the kids enjoy play time at church. 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.

SuperStart: Fri.-Sat., Mar. 20-21. Fourth and fifth graders, mark your calendar for one of our favorite weekends of the year. Participation details and registration are at garychurch.org. Cost: \$85.

Registration is open for Gary Youth summer camps. See the Gary Youth page at garychurch.org.

Honorary Junior Organ Scholar for students ages 9-18. You will meet the organist 15 minutes before one of the services for a brief introduction to the organ. Then during the prelude assist, according to your ability, by turning pages, changing stops, or pressing pistons. If you are interested, contact Kevin Lange at klange@garychurch.org.

Women's Retreat

Worry Less, Live More

Friday-Saturday, March 13-14

COME GATHER WITH OTHER WOMEN OF GARY
AND WINFIELD CHURCHES TO HEAR GUEST SPEAKER
JANE RUBIETTA AND LEARN SURPRISING, SIMPLE WAYS TO
FEEL MORE PEACE, JOY, AND ENERGY.

SEE GARYCHURCH.ORG FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
AND REGISTRATION.

COST IS \$160. SPACE IS LIMITED.

LA SALLE MANOR RETREAT CENTER
PLANO, IL

Please Note

Auction Items Needed for Soup & Chili Cook-off + Auction: Sun., Mar. 8. We are so thankful for past auction items and are seeking new donations this year to help us reach our High School Summer Mission Trip fundraising goals. Sign up in the Commons to donate an item, or contact Jane Bilezikian through the Church Office.

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

Upcoming Opportunities

Potluck Luncheon: Thurs., Feb. 20, 12 p.m. in the Commons. Come share a meal and connect with friends. Just bring \$2 and a dish to pass. Main dish is provided.

Styrofoam Recycling: Sun., Feb. 23, 8:45–9 a.m. and 10–11:15 a.m. in the south driveway. Bring rinsed food containers and solid packing materials in separate bags.

Lenten Study: Begins Mon., Feb. 24, 10 a.m. at Winfield UMC. We will be studying Adam Hamilton's *24 Hours That Changed the World*. Contact Pastor Bruce Anderson by Mon., Feb. 17 to order a book. Cost: \$11.

In the Footsteps of Paul Greece Tour Informational Meeting: Mon., Feb. 24, 7 p.m. in the Anderson Room. On this trip, planned for Thurs.–Fri., Sept. 24–Oct. 2, you will walk in the footsteps of the Apostle Paul and stand where the New Testament church began.

Lunchtime Literary Group: Tues., Feb. 25, 12 p.m. in the Anderson Room. Pack a lunch and join us to discuss *Work Song* by Ivan Doig.

Men's Ash Wednesday Breakfast: Wed., Feb. 26, 8 a.m. at Egglectic Café, 145 N. Hale, Wheaton. Gather with other men for breakfast and to reflect on Lenten practices. Breakfast bills will be paid individually. RSVP to the Church Office.

Game Night: Sat., Feb. 29, 6:30 p.m. in the Commons. *Note change in date.* Join adults of all ages for an evening of bridge, dominoes, Scrabble, friends, and fellowship.

Camerata Chicago Chamber Music Concert: Sat., March 7, 3 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Tickets are available at cameratachicago.org. Use coupon code GUMC for a 30% discount. Cost: \$35 adults, \$28 seniors, \$7 students over 16. Concertgoers age 16 and under are free with a paying adult.

Enter the Soup & Chili Cook-off: Sun., Mar. 8, 5 p.m. in the Commons following the Variety Show. Sign up in the Commons today to enter your best recipe in the cook-off for the opportunity to win bragging rights and the prestigious *Golden Ladle*.

Burning Bush—An Outreach of Gary Church

Now Showing: *Learning Frida* through Feb. 28. In recognition of the upcoming Frida Kahlo exhibit at College of DuPage, this exhibit features the works of several local art students exploring their inner Frida.

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

Ash Wednesday Service

Wednesday, February 26
7 p.m. in the
Gary Sanctuary

Begin the season of Lent with this worship service that includes the imposition of ashes and Holy Communion.

Childcare will be available for children ages 5 and under.



Wednesdays, March 1–April 8, 10 a.m.
in the Anderson Room

This study explores Jesus' story from his visit to Jerusalem to the cross, and how it has been experienced against the backdrop of the Oberammergau Passion Play. Join Pastor Chris to connect to the play and recognize our own place in the story of Jesus.