



Gary United Methodist Church

224 N. Main St., Wheaton, IL

www.garychurch.org

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Three different books...three different discussion leaders...come for one or all three. Enjoy some cool iced tea in the Courtyard (or Commons E in case of rain) while sharing your thoughts and reactions with other readers.

Rikki-Tikki-Tavi by Rudyard Kipling

Monday, June 25 at 7:00 p.m., discussion led by Pastor Brian

In this iconic novella, which is part of the larger classic anthology *The Jungle Book*, we will explore the themes of adoption, loving someone who is different than you, and nature. Also, the story will help us understand the history of colonialism and India and how Christianity has played a role in both.

A Path Appears by Nicholas Kristof and Sheryl WuDunn

Monday, July 16, 7:00 p.m., discussion led by Kim Austin

Pulitzer-prize winning journalists and authors of *Half the Sky*, Kristof and WuDunn, offer detailed research and compelling narratives about real people making a difference in the world, along with practical advice to readers seeking to make an impact.

Jesus: A Pilgrimage by Father James Martin

Monday, August 13, 7:00 p.m., discussion led by Pastor Chris

Jesuit priest Father James Martin “recreates the world of first-century Galilee and Judea to usher you into Jesus’s life and times and show readers how Jesus speaks to us today. Martin also brings together the most up-to-date Scripture scholarship, wise spiritual reflections, and lighthearted stories about traveling through the Holy Land with a fellow (and funny) Jesuit.”

Sign-up sheets and additional details about each book are available outside of the Church Office.

Gary Church in Mission

Girl Scout Gold Award Project: Madelynn Zeller, a Girl Scout and a member of Gary’s Scout Venture Crew, is collecting flip flops of all sizes for Healing Hands Missions in Guatemala. Donations can be dropped off in the collection box in the Commons by June 22.

Support Public Action to Deliver Shelter (PADS) on July 29–30. Gary will support the PADS effort to provide shelter and meals to the homeless at First Congregational Church, Glen Ellyn. Mark your calendar and watch for sign up information.

The People’s Resource Center is in need of book movers to help keep their Kids’ Summer Science classes stocked with books for kids to take home! If you are available on July 10 to lift and transport boxes of books to one of the class sites, contact Lucinda at volunteers@peoplesrc.org.

Opportunities at Gary Church

4th Friday Game Night: June 23 from 6:30 p.m. in the Commons. Join adults of all ages for an evening of bridge, dominoes, Scrabble, friends and fellowship.

The Sermons of John Wesley: Thursdays. June 28–Aug. 30 from 10–11 a.m. in the Heritage Room. We will explore one sermon of John Wesley each week, helping us understand our Methodist heritage, theology, and the thoughts of our founder. Attend weekly or as often as your summer schedule allows.

The Grief Support Group will meet informally for coffee on June 27, July 25, and Aug. 22 at 10 a.m. in the Commons. All are welcome.

Family Camp: July 27–29. Families of all ages and sizes are invited to gather at Pine Lake Camp, WI for a weekend celebrating faith, fellowship, and family! Registration, pricing, and activity details are online at garychurch.org.

Please Note

Styrofoam Recycling: June 24 from 10 a.m.–12 p.m. in the south driveway. Bring your rinsed food containers and solid packing materials in separate bags.

Summer Music: Our choral and instrumental ensembles are taking a well-earned break during the summer. Adults and students, we invite you to share your musical gifts during this time! We have openings for all Sundays July 1–Sept. 2. To sign up for singing or playing an instrument in worship, contact the Church Office.

Children's and Youth Ministries

Middle School Bible Study: Join Alexa and Tanner Isaac and our summer intern Audrey on Tuesdays, July 3–Aug. 14 (no meeting on July 31) at 10 a.m. in the Activity Center.

High School Late Night: Alexa and Tanner Isaac plus interns Kailey and John-Michel will lead these gatherings at the Isaac's house on Thursdays, July 5–August 9 from 8:45–10 p.m.

MS Summer Camping Trip @ Starved Rock: July 15–16. The \$20 cost covers dinner on Friday, breakfast and lunch on Saturday. Students will want to bring shoes they can hike in and also get wet in. Drop-off will be at Gary on July 15 at 3 p.m.; pick up at Gary on July 16 at 3:30 p.m. Register by emailing Alexa at ataisaac@garychurch.org and paying in the Church Office.

Gary Youth Families Are Headed to the Ballpark: July 25, 5:30–9:30 p.m. We'll meet at and return to Gary. Sign up before July 12 by emailing Alexa at aisaac@garychurch.org. Tickets are \$7; money can be brought to Alexa or the Church Office any time before July 12. And don't forget to bring some extra money to the game for food and drinks—they are half-priced that night! Families are invited to join us, but students can still come solo if they need to!

CIY Mix Camp for Middle School students: July 30–Aug. 2. We'll be joining Christ in Youth for worship, small groups, and games in southern IL. You can check out more about Mix at ciy.com/mix. Register your students at garychurch.org. The cost is \$350.

Gary Youth Summer Shirts Are Here! These super soft tees make our students feel like they are wrapped up in a big hug from GY no matter where they are. Pick up one in the Church Office for \$15.

Burning Bush Art Gallery—An Outreach of Gary Church

Now Showing: *Behind the Red Door*, through July 1. This exhibit features works of several artists from Behind the Door Studio. Join us for an Artists' Reception on June 22 from 5:30–7:30 p.m.

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.

Let the Coffee Continue: *Special Blend Needs Your Help!*

Special Blend has been a part of Gary's Sunday morning 10:00 a.m. hour for many years, thanks to many dedicated volunteers. Now we need new volunteers so this time of fellowship may continue. Most commitments are for only one Sunday a month. You can share your time and talents in these positions:

Coordinator (1 person)
Third Sundays: Clean up (2–3 people)
Fourth Sundays: Set up (1 person)
Fifth Sundays: Clean up (2–3 people)

Special Blend is an important aspect of our radical hospitality, as we welcome and connect with those visiting Gary for the first time. For those of us who have been around awhile, it's a place to catch up and renew our friendships.

Call the Church Office now so that this fellowship can continue beyond June!



Growing closer to God and each other through nature, worship, and play

Pine Lake Camp, Westfield, WI

Visit garychurch.org for more information and to register.