

DuPage County Celebration of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Monday, January 21, 6:30 p.m.
in the Gary Church Sanctuary



Gary United Methodist Church

224 N. Main St., Wheaton, IL

www.garychurch.org

January 13, 2019

Gary Church in Mission

The People's Resource Center is in need of volunteers to meet weekly with clients seeking employment. Contact volunteers@Peoplesrc.org to learn more!

Attention Christmas Sharing supporters and savvy shoppers: It's never too early to start shopping for Christmas Sharing 2019, especially while stores and websites have clearance sales. New items needed are winter coats, hats, gloves, scarves, and socks for all ages and genders, plus blankets, teen gifts, and kids' pajamas. Bring your items to the church in mid-Oct.

Upcoming Events at Gary Church

Bible Essentials: Tuesdays, Jan. 15 and 29, then first and third Tuesdays, Feb.-April, 10 a.m. in the Anderson Room. If you have always wanted to know more about the Bible, this class is for you. Childcare is available by registering through the Church Office.

Lunch Group: Thurs., Jan. 17, 12 p.m. in the Commons. Bring an appetizer to share. Cost: \$2.

The Lunchtime Literary Society will meet on Tues., Jan. 22 to discuss *Prairie Fires* by Caroline Fraser. Read the book, pack a lunch, and join us at noon in the Anderson Room.

Theology + Film: Wed., Jan. 23, 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.

Explore Membership: Sun., Jan. 27, 1:30-3 p.m. in the Anderson Room. Considering membership at Gary Church? Come learn about what it means to be United Methodist and about Gary's congregation, as well as to get better acquainted with the pastors. Please contact Kim Austin at kaustin@garychurch.org if you plan to attend.

Caleb Factor Men's Ministry: Sat., Feb. 2, 8-9:30 a.m. in the Commons. Gary organist Kevin Lange will discuss the importance of faith and music in his life. All men are invited to attend.

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 is \$145. See garychurch.org for more information and to register.



"Living the Dream"

The keynote speaker is Rev. Harold Middlebrook, a friend of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and an active member of the civil rights movement.

All residents of DuPage County are encouraged to join their neighbors at this event.

You are invited to pack food at



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY LOCATION:
555 Exchange Court, Aurora, IL 60504

**Thursday,
January 24
6-7:30 p.m.**

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United Methodist
Church**

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Please Note

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.

Join the Sound Team! We need six or seven new team members to each serve one Sunday a month, either at the 9 or 11 a.m. service. Training will be provided. Contact the Church Office for more information.

Gary United Methodist Preschool is accepting applications from Gary and Winfield members for the 2019–20 school year for the Three-year-old, Four-year-old, and Pre-K classes. There is also a Parent's Morning Out program for children 18 months–3 years old. Contact Kirsten McCluskey at preschool@garychurch.org for more information or to schedule a tour.

Children's and Youth Ministries

Winter Musical Rehearsal today at 2 p.m. All youth and children are invited to participate in the 2019 musical, *Life of the Party: The Story of Mary and Martha*, to be performed at Gary on Sun., Mar. 17 at 4 p.m. Rehearsals will be Sunday afternoons through Mar. 10, 2–4 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

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.

4th & 5th Grade Fellowship Roller Skating Party: Fri., Jan. 18, 7–9 p.m. Celebrate the New Year at Lombard Roller Rink with us. We will meet at and return to Gary Church. Cost is \$10.

Parent's Night Out: Fri., Jan. 18, 6:30–8:30 p.m. Drop off your children at Gary for supervised play time while you enjoy a night out. Parent's Night Out is open to children 6 months through grade 3. Reservations are required through the Church Office and a donation of \$5 per child is suggested.

Gary Youth Winter Chill Retreat: Sat.–Mon., Feb 16–Feb. 18. Middle and high school students: come worship, tube, play broomball, and chill at Camp Geneva in Lake Geneva, WI. Cost: \$160. Register at winterchill.info by Feb. 3. Cost includes all activities, travel, food, and a Winter Chill shirt.

Burning Bush—An Outreach of Gary Church

Now Showing: Wheaton North High School National Art Honor Society Exhibit on display through Sun., Feb 3. The exhibit features works from top art students. Join us for the Artists' Reception on Sun., Jan. 27, 1–3 p.m.

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

CELEBRATE THE LIGHT *of* CHRIST THROUGH MUSIC AND POETRY

Be Part of Festival Choir!

Our Festival Choir and Orchestra will present Dan Forrest's newest major work, *LUX: The Dawn from On High*, on Sunday, March 3.

The Festival Choir rehearsal schedule will be:

- Seven rehearsals on Thursday evenings, 7:30–9:00 p.m., beginning January 17
- Dress rehearsal on Saturday morning, March 2
- Two excused absences are allowed, but participation in the dress rehearsal is required.

*High school and adult singers of all experience levels are warmly welcomed!
Please register for Festival Choir through the Church Office (office@garychurch.org).*

Release Your Inner Poet!

In keeping with the theme of light, this special worship service will also celebrate the brilliant stained-glass windows of Gary Church. All ages are invited to share an original poem—even a short verse—inspired by one of our beautiful windows. Submit your poem to the Church Office (office@garychurch.org) by January 31, and include your name, age, and which window inspired you. You may also include a Bible verse that relates to your poem. These submissions will be published in a special booklet to be distributed to the congregation on March 3.

With music and poetry, our entire church family will worship through forms of artistic expression. Let us encourage one another in faith, and honor the Giver of Light.