

Welcome Guests!

We are delighted you have joined us for worship. We invite you to complete the Welcome Card in the pew pocket, and stop by the Welcome Desk on the main level outside the west Sanctuary entrance to receive a gift and more information about our ministries.

Hearing aid devices are available (including the neck loop for telecoil programs). Large print song sheets are also available. Please see an usher for assistance.

Next Week’s Lectionary Readings

We invite you to include the lectionary readings in your devotion times. Readings for next week are Nehemiah 8:1–3, 5–6, 8–10, Psalm 19, 1 Corinthians 12:12–31a, and Luke 4:14–21.

Today at Gary Church

Adult Ministries at 10 a.m.

**New Reformation**  
*Today–Feb. 3 in the Anderson Room, led by Christy Grace*  
Author of *New Reformation: From Luther’s World to Ours*, Rob Fuquay says that although “justified by faith” is not a new idea, the message is as revolutionary today as ever. Fuquay’s study series helps us take a close look into the life of Martin Luther and teaches how to embrace reformation in our church and in our life today.

**All of God’s Creation as Family: Exploring the Relationships Among Indigenous People, "Newcomers," and Nature**  
*In the Chapel*  
This week we welcome guest speaker Rev. Adrienne Sparrow Stricker, a member of The Connectional Table of the UMC and a Deacon to Central UMC in Skokie. Rev. Stricker is also involved in Native American ministries in the conference. This study will explore Christian and Indigenous perspectives on the necessity for humans to be rejoined with nature, and to understand the implications of the Earth’s gifts and our responsibility to reciprocate them

Gary Kids & Gary Youth

Kids’ Helping Hands Mission Project following the Children’s Time

*Preschool* 3’s–4’s meet in the Preschool Room on the lower level

*Kindergarten–Grade 5* meet in the Lower Level Lobby

10 a.m. Sunday School

*Preschool* 3’s–*Kindergarten* meet in the Preschool Room

*Grades 1–5* meet in Gamon Hall

*Grades 6–7* meet in the Heritage Room

*Confirmation (Grade 8)* meets in the Jr. High Room

*Grades 9–12* meet in the Sr. High Room

Congregational Care

*Please remember these individuals and families in your prayers this week.*

Jan Adair, Jessica Bianco, Heidi Brewer, Deb Connor, Pat Davisson, Jim & Carol Eaton, Dixie Hawthorne, Barbara Heeley, Pat Hill, Betty Jeppsen, Bruce Keller, Mike Krueger, Chris Loken, Dan Meeks, Cubby Minauskas, Jennifer Ruth, Jim Trieschmann, Jack & Shirley Williamson

**Our sympathy to**  
The family of Harry Binford. Harry passed away on Fri., Jan. 11. Arrangements are pending.

Serving Today

**9 a.m. Service**  
Greeters Dave, Leigh Ann, Carter & Faith Gaul, Jeff, Christy, Brenden, Caden, & Zoe Bohmer, Matt, Danny, & Tony Janiak  
Welcome Desk Donna Trieschmann, Kathi Hodges, Phyllis Geyer  
Acolytes Andrew McCluskey, Max Crisostomo  
Ushers Chuck Miller, Paul Calderwood, Sam Calderwood, Joe Davisson, David Plate, Dick Raber, Lisa Rozwat

**11 a.m. Service**  
Greeters Jeff, Kim, Connor & Hannah Shrigley, Tim & Olivia Wealton  
Welcome Desk David & Teresa Exner  
Acolytes Tony Janiak, Sam Jones  
Ushers Bob Hawkins, Bill Austin, Michael Graves, Doug & Tammy Halenza, George King

**Musicians:** Kevin Lange (organ, piano), Mary Ellen Rahn (Cherub Choir), Michael Villanueva (guitar), Jennifer Whiting (Chancel Choir)

**Sound Technicians:** Kevin Carlson, Phil Johnson, Alyn Mann, Dave Mann, Tony Venezia

**Staff Ministry Team:** Rev. Dr. Chris Pierson, Rev. Brian Felker Jones, Rev. Bruce Anderson, Jennifer Whiting, Kevin Lange, Carey Bebar, Kim Austin, Alexa Isaac, Becky Lemna, Pam Keller, Raven Larkin, Deb Evans, Deb Hafner, Mike & Donna Capra

Mission Statement

**Grow** in faith, knowledge, and understanding of Christ as Lord and Savior  
**Serve** our community and the world by sharing time, gifts, talents  
**Nurture** one another through worship, fellowship, love  
**Demonstrate** our discipleship to Christ  
**Proclaim** God’s grace and Good News



This is the bond of perfectness,  
thy spotless charity;  
O let us, still we pray, possess  
the mind that was in thee.

Charles Wesely

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Gary United Methodist Church

Second Sunday after the Epiphany  
January 20, 2019    9 & 11 a.m.

*\*Please stand as you are able.*  
*Congregation reads bold print.*  
*Congregational song book is the hard cover Hymnal found in the pew racks.*

Prelude

Triumphal March of Heritage

Uzee Brown, Jr.  
*Uzee Brown, Jr. is an opera singer, composer, and arranger, and wrote this commission for Dr. Walter Massey's inauguration as president of Morehouse College (1996).*

Mission and Ministry at Gary Church

Introit    (9 a.m.)

This Little Light of Mine  
Cherub Choir

Harry Dixon Loes

(11 a.m.) Prelude in C, BWV 846, Well-Tempered Clavier

Bill Phemister, piano

J. S. Bach

\*Call to Worship

There are many gifts, talents, and abilities given by God.

**But there is only one Spirit.**

There are a variety of things we can do to serve the Lord.

**But it is the same Lord we all serve.**

There are many activities we can do to serve God: teach, sing, clean, preach, play, work...

**But all these are activated by God.**

There are many manifestations of God's Spirit in the world.

**It is impossible to list them all.**

God gives to each as God chooses.

**Thanks be to God!**<sup>†</sup>

\*Hymn

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

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Opening Prayer

**God of all good gifts, we thank you and praise you. Your Spirit has touched our lives, bringing wisdom, ability, strength, courage, and passion. Enable us to use our gifts in service to you and to others. In all that we do, and in all that we are, may your name be glorified, that your kingdom will be with us and reside here on this earth. We pray this in the name of your Son, our Lord, Jesus Christ. Amen.**<sup>††</sup>

Scripture Lesson

1 Corinthians 12:1–11  
\*John 2:1–11

Pew Bible p. 959  
Pew Bible p. 887

This is the word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God!**

Readers: Holly Trueblood (9 a.m.), Nan Krull (11 a.m.)

\*Hymn of Faith

Jesus, United by Thy Grace  
(Stanzas 1, 2, and 3)

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Children's Time (9 a.m.)

Carey Bebar

(9 a.m.) Children Preschool 3's–Grade 5 are invited to come forward.  
After the Children's Time, Preschool 3's–Grade 5 may follow their leaders downstairs for Kids' Helping Hands Mission.

(11 a.m.) Children are invited to worship with their families during this service.  
Children's bulletins and activity bags are available from the ushers.

Childcare is available for newborn–2 yrs. from 8:45 a.m. to 12 p.m. on the lower level.

Sermon

“Gifts for the Beloved Community”  
Rev. Dr. Chris Pierson

Pastoral Prayer

Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.**

Dedication of Our Tithes and Offerings

(9 a.m.)

Saints Bound for Heaven  
Walker's Southern Harmony, 1835  
Chancel Choir                      arr. Mack Wilberg

*Our bondage it shall end, by and by, by and by, our bondage it shall end, by and by;  
from Egypt's yoke set free; hail the glorious jubilee, and to Canaan we'll  
return, by and by, by and by, and to Canaan we'll return, by and by.*  
*Our deliverer he shall come, by and by, by and by, our deliverer he shall come, by and by;  
and our sorrows have an end, with our threescore years and ten, and vast glory  
crown the day, by and by, by and by, and vast glory crown the day, by and by.*  
*And when to Jordan's floods, we are come, we are come, and when to Jordan's floods,  
we are come; Jehovah rules the tide, and the waters he'll divide, and the ransomed host  
shall shout, we are come, we are come, and the ransomed host shall shout, we are come.*  
*Then with all the happy throng, we'll rejoice, we'll rejoice, then with all the happy  
throng, we'll rejoice; shouting glory to our King, till the vaults of heaven ring, and  
through all eternity we'll rejoice, we'll rejoice, and through all eternity we'll rejoice.*

(11 a.m.)

Adoration

Florence B. Price  
*Florence Price (1887–1953) was the first black woman to have a symphony performed by a professional orchestra (the Chicago Symphony Orchestra).*

\*Doxology

OLD HUNDREDTH

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise God all creatures here below;  
praise God above ye heavenly host;  
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen**

Reception into Membership

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\*Hymn

Forward Through the Ages

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\*Benediction

Postlude

Go Down, Moses              African American Spiritual  
arr. W. C. Handy

*Known as the “Father of the Blues,” W. C. Handy was the son and grandson of Methodist ministers and published a book of spirituals in 1938.*

New Members

Today we joyfully welcome new members to Gary Church: Marion Rybarczyk (Connection Sponsor, Greg Perisho) and Chad Hill and Libby Phillips Hill (Connections Sponsors, Brooke and Mike Oswald).

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