

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 20, 2019

“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.



Gary Church in Mission

Today is Human Relations Day. This special Sunday calls UM churches to strengthen our outreach around the country, encourage social justice, and work with at-risk youth. To join in making a difference, place your donation in the special envelope today or send a check to the Church Office and note *Human Relations Day*.

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.

DuPage Habitat for Humanity is seeking a retired/semi-retired plumber with a valid plumbing license to work as a paid employee of DuPage Habitat on projects throughout the county. Call Steve Brennan at 630-510-3737, Ext. 304, or email sbrennan@dupagehabitat.org for additional information.

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, 4 p.m. Rehearsals will be Sunday afternoons through Mar. 10, 2-4 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

Word & Table: today, 6:30-8 p.m. in Gary's Commons. 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.

Gary Youth Summer Mission Trip to Kansas City, Sun.-Fri., July 7-12: High school students can register through Fri., Feb. 1 at garychurch.org. The first meeting for the mission team is Sun., Feb. 3 at 12 p.m. in the Sr. High Room.

Gary Youth Winter Chill Retreat: Sat.-Mon., Feb 16-18. 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.

You are invited to pack food at



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

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Upcoming Events at Gary Church

Bible Essentials: Tues., Jan. 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.

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.

4th Friday Game Night: Fri., Jan. 25, 6:30 p.m. in the Commons. Join adults of all ages for an evening of bridge, dominoes, Scrabble, friends, and fellowship.

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.

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.

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.

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



“Window Reflections” Poetry Project

Have you been inspired by the splendor of the stained glass windows at Gary Church? We invite you to share your reflections in a short poem. Poetic and spiritual meditations inspired by our sanctuary windows will be included in a booklet to share with the congregation on March 3 when our Festival Choir and Orchestra will present *LUX: The Dawn from On High*.

Contributions from all ages—preschool through adult—will be collected through January 31 (office@garychurch.org). Please include your name, your age, and the name of the window that prompted your poem.

2019 Lenten E-Devotional: A Lenten Tradition



We welcome all to be part of our “self-published” Lenten devotional. This beautiful compilation of personal reflections, submitted by our church family, is delivered to your email inbox each day of Lent, which begins on March 6 this year. New and returning contributors are invited to choose a scripture passage and reflect on it, either in writing—such as sharing a personal story or moment of seeing God at work in the world—or through art. Poems contributed to the “Window Reflections” project may also be submitted, along with a related Bible verse, to the Lenten Devotional.

Please register to contribute by February 5 at garychurch.org or through the Church Office. Then submit your devotional to kaustin@garychurch.org by February 15.