

# Register Now for VBS and BLAST Camp!

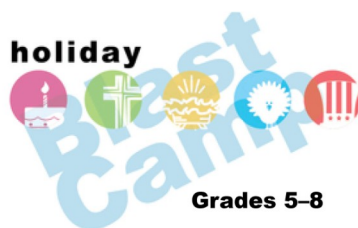
[www.garychurch.org](http://www.garychurch.org)

June 18–22, 2018

9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. at Gary Church



Preschool 4's–Grade 4



Grades 5–8

## VBS & BLAST Leaders Needed

Volunteers are needed and can register through our website at [www.garychurch.org](http://www.garychurch.org).

## Habitat for Humanity Mission Opportunities

Seeking to put God's love into action, Habitat for Humanity brings people together to build homes, communities, and hope. To learn more or to join our Gary volunteers for one of these events, contact Gerry Schmidt through the Church Office.

- June 4-8: Gary UMC trip to Habitat for Humanity of Lafayette, IN
- July 26: DuPage Habitat for Humanity's 11th Annual Golf Tournament and Liberty Mutual Invitational
- Aug. 26-31: 2018 Jimmy and Rosalynn Carter Work Project in Mishawaka, Indiana
- Sept. 10-14: Gary UMC fall trip to Habitat for Humanity of Lafayette, IN



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## Gary Church in Mission

**Midwest Shelter for Homeless Veterans Fundraiser:** May 25-28. Help American Legion volunteers sell poppies at Cantigny Park. Proceeds will benefit Midwest Shelter. To volunteer, contact Don Kenyon through the Church Office by May 18.

**Fundaniños Mission Trip Informational Meeting:** May 20 at 12 p.m. in the Commons. Come learn about being part of our trip to Fundaniños Orphanage in Guatemala scheduled for Aug. 4–11. If you are unable to attend the meeting, contact Renee Conrad through the Church Office for information.

**Common Ground Garden:** This year we've built new raised garden beds. If you are interested in planting produce for yourself and the People's Resource Center in one of these beds, contact Fred Wayland through the Church Office. The annual cost for material and soil for one bed is \$50 (or \$25 for 1/2 bed). Donations are always welcome.

**Outreach Community Ministries,** Carol Stream is in need of volunteers to drive their bus the first and third Friday of the month to transport seniors to local shopping sites. Contact Linda Hawkins at 630-234-3263 if you can help.

## Opportunities at Gary Church

**The Lunchtime Literary Group** will meet on May 22 at 12 p.m. to discuss *Killers of the Flower Moon* by David Grann. Pack a lunch and join us in Commons A.

**The last Praise Service of the season** will be outdoors on June 2 at Winfield Church at 5 p.m.

**Jesus Song:** June 6 from 7:30–8:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Jim Cohick will present these musical works based on scriptures about and containing the words of Jesus. Jim offers this piano and vocal piece as a gift of appreciation to Gary Church and others within God's family during the Cohick's time in Wheaton. A reception for the Cohicks will follow in the Commons.

**VBS & BLAST Volunteer Meeting:** June 10 at 4 p.m. in the Activity Center. All VBS and BLAST volunteers are encouraged to attend this informational training to receive materials for their roles, meet their ministry teams—and enjoy a dessert bar.

**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 can be found on our website: [garychurch.org](http://garychurch.org).

## Please Note

**Graduating from High School or College?** We invite you to submit the names of graduates from the Gary/Winfield church family. *Contact the Church Office by today* with their name, school of graduation, intended college/degree, or other details. High School graduates will be recognized in worship on June 10.

**Looking for a way to serve?** Usher positions are available Sunday mornings, especially for the 11 a.m. worship service. Contact Dick Selover through the Church Office.

**Photos Requested for Lay Leader Appreciation.** Do you have photos of Gary groups or activities taken this year that could be included in a Lay Leader Appreciation slideshow on June 3? Email your photos to [kaustin@garychurch.org](mailto:kaustin@garychurch.org) by May 15.

## Children's and Youth Ministries

**Gary Youth Midweek:** May 16 from 7–8:30 p.m. in the Activity Center. On May 23, we'll meet at Winfield Church from 7–8:30 p.m. to celebrate the end of the school year. Dinner provided. All middle and high school students are invited!

**Parent's Night Out:** May 18 from 6:30–8:30 p.m. in the Lower Level Lobby. Parent's Night Out is open to children ages 6 months–grade 3. Reservations are required through the Church Office and a donation of \$5 per child is suggested.

**Exciting Sunday School Opportunity:** On May 20, the *Gospel Mass* experience during worship will continue at 10 a.m. for Gary Kids and Gary Youth. Sunday School classes will explore ways music brings us into worship and enriches our faith.

**4th & 5th Grade Fellowship Year-End Celebration:** May 25, 6:30–8:30 p.m. at Winfield Church for dinner and a bonfire. Bring a dish to share. Hot dogs and s'mores provided. *All children grades 3-5 and their families are invited to attend* as our third graders will be welcomed into 4th & 5th Grade Fellowship, and our fifth graders will be welcomed into Gary Youth Group!

**Gary Youth Step-up Sunday and Summer Kick-off Party:** June 10 from 11 a.m.–1 p.m. in the Activity Center. We'll kick-off our summer by welcoming incoming sixth graders and celebrating our graduating seniors. Join us for games and lunch!

**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](http://ciy.com/mix). Register your students at [garychurch.org](http://garychurch.org). The cost for the week is \$350.

**The Gary Youth Summer Calendar** is available outside the Church Office. Pick up a copy today.

## Burning Bush Art Gallery—An Outreach of Gary Church

**Now Showing:** *Slice of Life*, through June 3. This exhibit features works from local artists of Studios630 in Lombard.

*For more information visit [www.garychurch.org](http://www.garychurch.org) or the Chimes newsletter.*

Gary United Methodist Church presents Robert Ray's

# GOSPEL MASS

**Sunday, May 20 during 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. Worship  
featuring the Gary Church Festival Choir**

We invite you to experience this Spirit-filled piece that paraphrases the Mass in common English, setting it to the rhythm and harmony of African-American music. Your heart will be lifted and your soul will be blessed. Children will worship with their families. Childcare will be available for newborn–4 years old.

*A special offering will be collected to benefit the Gary's Music Ministry.*



## Northern Illinois Conference Bishop's Appeal: Global Migration

Over 65 million people have been forced to flee their homes due to violence, natural disasters, persecution, and poverty. Bishop Sally Dyck invites each UM Church in the NIL Conference to help those affected by this crisis by bringing an offering to our Annual Conference held in June. To contribute throughout May, place your donation in the mission envelope found in the pews and note "Global Migration."

- 25% of money raised will stay in northern IL to support organizations that work with local immigrant and refugee families.
- 75% will go to the UM Global Migration Advance fund.

*Contact Cathy Mousseau through the Church Office if you have questions.*