

# Lay Leader Appreciation and Invitation Sunday

Sunday, June 2, 10 a.m.–12 p.m.



One 10 a.m.  
Worship Service  
Potluck Brunch

We're celebrating your contributions to this ministry season and highlighting ways to connect within the church family. You won't want to miss this special Sunday!



Gary United Methodist Church

224 N. Main St., Wheaton, IL

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

Sunday, May 19, 2019

## Today at Gary Church

### Adult Ministries

#### Navigating Our Digital World

Today through May 26, 10 a.m. in the Anderson Room, led by Alexa Isaac  
Feel like your kids are drowning in a sea of apps and devices? Want to talk about digital media more with your kids, but aren't sure how? Come explore *Every Parent's Guide to Navigating our Digital World*, published by Fuller Youth Institute. Today's topics: How can I help my kids become good digital citizens? Books can be purchased for \$15.

#### Gospel in the City

Today and Sundays, May 26 and June 9, 10 a.m. in the Chapel, led by Dr. Christa Tooley  
This course explores what Christian interactions with cities have been like in the US: How have Christians thought about cities and the people in them? How has this shaped Christian action in the cities and the suburbs? We will consider historic and contemporary patterns, and think together about their significance for the church.

### Kids' Church & Sunday School Teacher Appreciation

11 a.m. in Commons E

All Kids' Church and Sunday School leaders are invited to a special luncheon honoring their gifts of service.

### Gary Kids & Gary Youth

#### Kids' Church following the Children's Time at 9 a.m. worship

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

Kindergarten–Grade 3 meet in the Lower Level Lobby

#### 10 a.m. Sunday School for Children and Youth

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) gather in the Commons

Grades 9–12 meet in the Sr. High Room



Sunday, June 9, 4 p.m. in the Activity Center



All VBS and BLAST volunteers are encouraged to attend this informational training where we will celebrate a ferocious faith and learn to "level up!"

Volunteers will receive materials for their VBS and BLAST roles and meet their ministry teams.

Level Up!  
Blast  
Camp

Crew leaders  
and  
assistants  
still  
needed!

## Gary Church in Mission

**Midwest Shelter for Homeless Veterans Fundraiser:** Sat.–Mon., May 25–27. Help American Legion volunteers sell poppies at Cantigny Park. Proceeds will benefit Midwest Shelter. To volunteer, contact Don Kenyon through the Church Office.

**Register to Support Public Action to Deliver Shelter (PADS):** Sun.–Mon., June 30–July 1. Gary will support the PADS effort to provide shelter and meals to the homeless at First Congregational Church, Glen Ellyn. Sign up to volunteer at [garychurch.org](http://garychurch.org).

**People's Resource Center is in need of Food Pantry Workers** to unpack boxes, restock shelves, and assist shoppers as they select food at the Wheaton Food Pantry. If you are available to help on Wednesdays or Fridays 7:30 a.m.–12 p.m. or Saturdays 8:30 a.m.–12 p.m., contact [volunteerdepartment@peoplesrc.org](mailto:volunteerdepartment@peoplesrc.org)

## Children's and Youth Ministries

**Word & Table:** today, 6:30–8 p.m. in the Johnson's home. High school students will share a meal and time together.

**Gary Youth Midweek:** Wednesdays May 22 and June 5, 7–8:30 p.m. in the Activity Center. Middle school students, join us to meet new friends and get plugged into Gary Youth ministries.

**Step-Up Sunday:** June 9, 9 a.m. and 10 a.m. Children and students of all ages will “step-up” a grade level for Christian Education in summer and fall. Graduating seniors will be recognized during the 9 a.m. service.

**Gary Youth Summer Kickoff Party:** Fri., June 14, 7 p.m. at Winfield UMC. Middle and high schoolers, come celebrate summer with a bonfire, yard games, and s'mores.

**Level Up! BLAST Camp:** Mon.–Fri., June 17–21 at Gary. BLAST Camp is for students entering grades 5–8. Details and registration are at [www.garychurch.org](http://www.garychurch.org).

**CIY Summer Camps:** We are thrilled to have camp options for both middle and high schoolers this summer! High School: MOVE Camp, Mon.–Fri., June 24–29 in Holland, MI. Middle School: MIX Camp, Mon.–Fri., July 29–Aug. 2 in Carlinville, IL. Details and registration are at [www.garychurch.org](http://www.garychurch.org).

**The Gary Youth Summer Calendar** is available. Pick up your copy from the bulletin board in the Commons.

## Burning Bush—An Outreach of Gary Church

**Now Showing:** Transitions, an exhibit by Karen A. Johnson and Suzanne Wegener through June 9. Johnson and Wegener are natural science illustrators. Using a variety of media, they capture details of nature's moments as seen through the eyes of an artist.

## Upcoming Events at Gary Church

**Fourth Friday Game Night:** Fri., May 24, 6:30 p.m. in the Commons. Join adults of all ages for an evening of bridge, dominoes, Scrabble, friends, and fellowship.

**The Lunchtime Literary Group** will meet on Tues., May 28, 12 p.m. in the Anderson Room. We'll discuss *Eleanor Oliphant Is Completely Fine* by Gail Honeyman.

**Eighth Grade Screening:** Wed., May 29, 7 p.m. in the Chapel. As a follow-up to the *Navigating Our Digital World* class, we will view and discuss this film about how modern-day youth use social media. Anyone is welcome to attend. Please note this movie is rated R.

**Family Camp:** Friday–Sunday, July 19–21, at Pine Lake Camp, WI. Details and registration information are available at [garychurch.org](http://garychurch.org).

## Please Note

**We invite you to include the lectionary readings in your devotion times.**

Readings for next week are Acts 16: 9–15, Psalm 67, Revelation 21:10, 22–22:5, and John 14:23–29.

**Early Bird Choir!** If you miss singing during the summer, please join us in the Choir Room one hour before the first service begins, to prepare an easy anthem to share that same Sunday. June 2: Rehearse at 9 a.m. for the 10 a.m. service. July 7: Rehearse at 8 a.m. for the 9 a.m. service. Aug. 4: Rehearse at 8 a.m. for the 9 a.m. service.

**We invite you to share your musical gifts during the summer** while our standing groups enjoy a restful break! If you are interested, please email Jennifer ([jwhiting@garychurch.org](mailto:jwhiting@garychurch.org)) with the following information: song title, composer and arranger, instrumentation, and dates you are available. Thank you for considering serving our church family in this way!

**LUX CD:** A recording of *LUX: The Dawn from On High* by Dan Forrest, performed by Gary's Festival Choir and Orchestra on Mar. 3, is available in the Church Office. A donation can be made to the Music Department to help cover the cost of production.

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