



Gary United Methodist Church

224 N. Main St., Wheaton, IL
www.garychurch.org

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Sign Up in the Commons to Volunteer your time and to donate food boxes. Ornaments on the tree in the Commons indicate specific new items needed.

Pajama Drive Through Dec. 2! The children's ministry team is sponsoring a pajama drive. Donations of new pajamas for all children from infant-high school youth are greatly appreciated. Collection bins are located in the Lower Level Lobby.

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Kimmer's Ice Cream Supports Christmas Sharing: Place an order in the Commons today or Nov. 18 and Kimmer's will donate to Christmas Sharing \$2 for each pie and \$3 for each cake sold. On Nov. 15 from 5-9 p.m., Kimmer's will donate 10% of sales from their Wheaton location.

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Midweek at Gary Youth: Middle Schoolers, join us on Wednesdays from 7–8:30 p.m. in the Activity Center.

4th & 5th Grade Fellowship | Friendsgiving: Nov. 16 from 6:30–8:30 p.m. Come to a Thanksgiving celebration featuring food-themed games and a pie eating contest at Gary! Bring canned goods for the People's Resource Center.

Parent's Night Out: Nov. 16 from 6:30–8:30 p.m. Drop off your children ages 6 months–grade 3 at Gary for supervised playtime while you enjoy a night out. Reservations are required through the Church Office. A donation of \$5 per child is suggested.

Summer Mission Trip Informational Meeting: Nov. 18 at 11 a.m. in the Jr. High Room. High school students (and those finishing grade 8) and their parents are invited to come learn about this summer's trip to Kansas City.

Word and Table: High school students meet every other week from 6:30–8 p.m. for dinner at a different host home. Nov. 18: the Austin home.

PJs & Pancakes Helping Hands Mission: Nov. 18 from 9–10:50 a.m. in the Lower Level Lobby. Children age Preschool 3–grade 5 are invited to wear their PJs to church and enjoy a pancake breakfast after wrapping pajamas for Christmas Sharing.

A Christmas Carol at Drury Lane Theater: Dec. 15 at 1 p.m. All families are invited. Cost: \$15 per adult, \$10 per child. RSVP to the Church Office by Nov. 18.

Drop & Shop: Dec. 1, 9 a.m.–12 p.m. Children age 6 months–grade 5 are welcome to join us at Gary for games and activities while you finish up your shopping! Space is limited. Reservations through the Church Office are required by Nov. 25. A \$15 donation per family is suggested.

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The Lunch Group will meet on Nov. 15 at 12 p.m. in the Commons. The main dish will be provided. Bring a dish to share. Cost: \$2 per person. All are welcome.

United Methodist Women's Christmas Market: Nov. 25 from 9 a.m.–12 p.m. in the Commons. There will be a large array of unique handmade crafts, knitted items, and baked goods. Proceeds of the sale will be donated to missions.

Theology + Film: Nov. 28 at 7 p.m. in the Chapel. This group views films through a theological lens to deepen our faith and better understand the world we inhabit. Come be part of this engaging viewing and lively discussion.

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