



Habitat for Humanity Fall Mission Trip

Members of Gary Church will travel to Lafayette, Indiana *the week of September 25–29* to share our time and talents to support Habitat for Humanity. Spend the whole week or come down for a day or two. No previous building or remodeling skills are required—just a desire to make a difference. It's not too late to be part of this effort to build homes and revitalize a neighborhood! Contact Gerry Schmidt through the Church Office.



Saturday, October 28
10:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.

**Community Outreach event with Wheaton's
Boo-a-Palooza**

**Get your Gary group together and sign up to
decorate a trunk and/or donate candy to make
this a successful outreach to our community.**

*A Trunk sign-up sheet and a candy donation box
are located outside the Church Office.*



Gary United Methodist Church

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

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Gary Church in Mission

September Mission Focus: Christopher and Michelle Hays, Columbia. To learn more about the work of the Hays family, visit their website at haysfamilymissions.com. To make a donation, please use the yellow envelope in the pews and check "Hays."

Donate to UMCOR to help victims of Hurricanes Harvey and Irma. The United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) is currently working with disaster coordinators and early response teams. The most effective way to help is to provide financial donations to UMCOR. 100% of your contribution will go directly to storm relief. To donate, make your check payable to Gary UMC and note UMCOR, visit the online giving page on the Gary Church website and specify UMCOR, or visit www.umcor.org.

Run for the Mind 5K Run/Walk: Sept. 23 at 8 a.m. to benefit NAMI of DuPage County (National Alliance on Mental Illness) and JUST of DuPage (Justice, Understanding, Service, and Teaching, which serves the inmates in the DuPage County Jail). The race will begin and end at the Community Building, 115 N. County Farm Rd., Wheaton. Visit <http://namidupage.org> to register.

Children's and Youth Ministries

Gary Youth Midweek: Wednesdays in the Activity Center, 7–8:30 p.m. Middle and high schools students, join us to dig deeper into discipleship and fellowship.

4th & 5th Grade Fellowship Bowling Outing: Sept. 21, 6:30–8:30 p.m. We will meet at Gary and head to Wheaton Bowl for a few strikes before returning to church. Cost is \$5 per person. RSVP through the Church Office by Sept. 18.

Glow in the Dark Capture the Flag: Oct. 14, 7:30–9:30 p.m. at Winfield Church. Middle school and high school students: wear your black battle gear and get ready for an epic night of capture the flag madness.

Burning Bush Art Gallery—An Outreach of Gary Church

Now Showing: *Awakenings Project* through Oct. 8. In recognition of Mental Illness Awareness month, this show features artists that are survivors of mental illness.

Creating Mandalas Workshop: Today at 3 p.m. We will use a variety of materials to create the mandalas. The workshop is free. Donations are appreciated.

Opportunities at Gary Church

What is the Bible? Mondays through Oct. 16, 9:30 a.m. in the Anderson Room. Join Betsy Boyd for a compelling discussion of this book by Rob Bell.

Women's Bible Study: Tuesdays from 7–8:30 p.m. in the Anderson Room to study *Twelve Women of the Bible*. All women are welcome!

Men's Bible Study resumes Tuesdays beginning Sept. 19, 7–8:30 p.m. in Commons E. All men are invited to join this study of Revelations.

Grief Matters Group: Wednesdays from 10–11:30 a.m. in Commons A. We welcome anyone grieving the death of someone close to be part of this group. It is a place where you can be with people who understand how you feel and the pain of your loss. Contact the Church Office to let us know you'll be coming.

4th Friday Game Night: Sept. 22 at 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 Sept. 26 at 12 p.m. in the Anderson Room to discuss *Hillbilly Elegy* by J. D. Vance. Pack a lunch and join the discussion.

Young Family Fellowship Potluck: Oct. 1 from 5–7 p.m. in the Courtyard (Commons if it rains). Sign up to bring a dish to share at www.PerfectPotluck.com/NFYG5885.

Please Note

Gary's Boy Scout Troop 35 will be taking advance orders for Christmas greens and wreaths today and on Sept. 24 from 10–11 a.m. in the Commons. Get a head start on your Christmas planning while supporting our Scout Troop!

Gary's Cub Scout Pack 335 will be selling popcorn for its fundraiser in the Commons before the 9 a.m. service and at 10 a.m. today, Sept. 24, and Oct. 1. We would like to thank Gary Church and its members for their generous support.

Volunteers needed! On Sept. 18 and 22 beginning at 8:30 a.m., repairs to Gary's steam heating system will begin and there are several tasks that can be done with volunteers to help keep down the costs. These tasks include removing radiator covers, cleaning out rooms in Gamon Hall, assisting with demolition of existing boiler feedwater tanks. Contact Gerry Schmidt through the Church Office if you can help.

Gary's contracted custodial services have changed as of Sept. 1. For almost 20 years the custodial services for the church have been provided by two companies, Buck Services and Capra Janitorial Services. The Trustees decided to end our custodial services agreement with Buck Services and contract all the janitorial services to Capra Janitorial Services. Please continue to contact the Church Office when you have room set-up needs or special cleaning needs.

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

Hurricane Relief



Sunday, September 17
12:00–9:00 p.m.
109 E. Front St., Wheaton
and
1 W. Illinois St., Charles

10% of all sales will be donated to UMCOR
(United Methodist Committee on Relief) for
hurricane relief efforts.



Liesl Mann will offer face painting, 1:00–4:00 p.m. at the Wheaton location (weather permitting).



Saturdays

September 23
January 6
March 24
May 19

Join us for an evening of great food and fellowship!

We will gather in host homes around 5:30 p.m. with supper served at 6:00.

Everyone brings a dish to share. This is a great way to get to know new friends at Gary Church. Sign up in the Commons or through the Church Office.

