

# Gary United Methodist Church

16th Sunday after Pentecost  
September 9, 2018 9:00 & 11:00 AM

*\*Please stand as you are able.*

*Congregation reads bold print.*

*Congregational song books is the hard cover Hymnal found in the pew racks.*

Prelude When our music God is glorified Albert L. Travis

## Mission and Ministry at Gary Church

Introit (9:00) Here I Am, Lord Dan Schutte  
Vickie Austin and Helen Riggio arr. Lloyd Larson

(11:00) All Things Bright and Beautiful arr. Linda Lamb  
*with How Can We Name a Love*  
Altar Bells

## \*Call to Worship

We can trust God.

**God is like the mountain: rock solid.**

God loves all the people:

**the poor, the disabled, the outcast, the stranger.**

We can depend on God.

**God feeds the hungry, heals the sick, and restores relationships.**

Praise our Loving God.

**Hallelujah.**<sup>†</sup>

\*Hymn We, Thy People, Praise Thee 67

## Opening Prayer

**Almighty God, by your Holy Spirit you have made us one.**

**Help us to see your presence burning in the hearts of others.**

**Grant that we may be united in a fellowship of love and prayer.**

**Give us the courage to pick up our cross and respond to the needs of the world.**

**Give us the stamina to follow you, to be your hands and heart in the world.**

**Enable us to witness to your grace and mercy.**

**We pray all this through the love of your son, Jesus Christ.**

**Amen.**

Scripture Lesson Galatians 3:28–29 Pew Bible p. 974  
James 2:1–8 Pew Bible p. 1011

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God!**

Readers: Gene Green (9:00), Bonnie Wheaton (11:00)

\*Hymn of Faith In Christ There Is No East or West 548

*(9:00) Children Preschool 3's–Grade 5 are invited to come forward during the hymn. After the Children's Time, those in Grades 4–5 will worship with their families, while children Preschool 3's–Grade 3 may follow their leaders downstairs to Kids' Church.*

*(11:00) Children are invited to worship with their families during this service. Children's bulletins and activity bags are available from the ushers.*

*Childcare is available for newborn–2 yrs. from 8:45 a.m. to 12 p.m. on the lower level.*

Children's Time (9:00) Carey Bebar

Sermon "Blended in Love" Rev. JoAnne Chase

## Pastoral Prayer

## Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.**

## Dedication of Our Tithes and Offerings

(9:00) All Things Bright and Beautiful arr. Linda Lamb  
*with How Can We Name a Love*  
Altar Bells

*Within our daily world, in every human face, love's echoes sound and God is found, hid in the common place. ~ Brian Wrenn*

(11:00) Is He Worthy? Inside Panel  
Chancel Choir

\*Doxology LASST UNS ERFREUEN

**Through north and south and east and west,  
May God's immortal name be blest. Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Till everywhere beneath the sun,  
God's Kingdom come, God's will is done.  
O Praise Him, O Praise Him, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!**

\*Hymn Help Us Accept Each Other 560

Reception Into Membership (9:00) 48

## \*Benediction

\*Postlude Now thank we all our God J. S. Bach  
arr. Virgil Fox

## Is He Worthy?

Chancel Choir  
Leigh Ann Gaul, Bob Martin, Cindi Copeland, solos  
Beth Graves, keyboard; Anna Erickson, violin; Nick Graves, percussion

*The congregation is invited to join in singing the bold lyrics.*

*Do you feel the world is broken? **We do.***

*Do you feel the shadows deepen? **We do.***

*But do you know that all the dark won't stop the light from getting through? **We do.***

*Do you wish that you could see it all made new? **We do.***

*Is all creation groaning? **It is.***

*Is a new creation coming? **It is.***

*Is the glory of the Lord to be the light within our midst? **It is.***

*Is it good that we remind ourselves of this? **It is.***

*Is anyone worthy? Is anyone whole?*

*Is anyone able to break the seal and open the scroll?*

*The Lion of Judah who conquered the grave,*

*He is David's root and the Lamb who died to ransom the slave.*

*Is he worthy? Is he worthy of all blessing and honor and glory?*

*Is he worthy of this? **He is.***

*Does the Father truly love us? **He does.***

*Does the Spirit move among us? **He does.***

*And does Jesus, our Messiah hold forever those He loves? **He does.***

*Does our God intend to dwell again with us? **He does.***

*Is anyone worthy? Is anyone whole?*

*Is anyone able to break the seal and open the scroll?*

*The Lion of Judah who conquered the grave,*

*He is David's root and the Lamb who died to ransom the slave.*

*From every people and tribe, every nation and tongue,*

*he has made us a kingdom and priests to God to reign with the Son.*

*Is he worthy? Is he worthy of all blessing and honor and glory?*

*Is he worthy? Is he worthy? Is he worthy of this? **He is!***

*Is he worthy? Is he worthy? **He is! He is!***

*~ Music and lyrics by Andrew Peterson*

<sup>†</sup> From *The Abingdon Worship Annual 2012*. © 2011 by Abingdon Press. Used by permission.

## Welcome Guests!

We are delighted you have joined us for worship. We invite you to complete the Welcome Card in the pew pocket, and stop by the Welcome Desk on the main level outside the west Sanctuary entrance to receive a gift and more information about our ministries.

Hearing aid devices are available (including the neck loop for telecoil programs). Large print song sheets are also available. Please see an usher for assistance.

## Next Week's Lectionary Readings

We invite you to include the lectionary readings in your devotion times. Readings for next week are Proverbs 1:20–33, Psalm 19, James 3:1–12, and Mark 8:27–38.

## Today at Gary Church

### Adult Ministries at 10:00 a.m.

*Coffee Stations with pastries will be available in the Anderson Room and the Chapel.*

### Special Blend Fellowship

*In the Commons at 10 a.m.*

Join us for this time of coffee, treats, and fellowship.

### Jeremiah the Prophet and the Prophetic Message

*Through Sept. 30 in the Chapel, led by Dr. Michael Graves*

In this class we will encounter the life and message of Jeremiah, whose courage and struggles in the midst of difficult circumstances bring his story to life for us today. Through Jeremiah we will explore and discuss the character of God, our responsibilities to each other, and what it means to be part of a nation, people, and family.

### Great Figures Part II

*Through Nov. 18 in the Anderson Room, facilitated by Cliff Hill*

In this study, comprised of DVD lectures with Amy-Jill Levine, we will encounter portraits of the characters in the New Testament. The point of this exploration is not to inculcate any theology or a particular religious world view, but to take a fresh look at how these figures have been interpreted by both the secular culture and the church, while also raising issues of religious interest. *This week:* Judas Iscariot.

### Sanctuary Ringers

*In the Bell Room, led by Sharon Schmidt*

Weekly rehearsals for this beginners' adult bell ensemble are in the Bell Room.

## Gary Kids & Gary Youth

### 9:15 a.m. Gary Kid's Worship

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

*Kindergarten–Grade 5 meet in the Lower Level Lobby*

### 10:00 a.m. Sunday School

*Preschool 3's–4's meet in the Preschool Room*

*Kindergarten–Grade 5 meet in Gamon Hall*

*Grades 6–7 meet in the Heritage Room*

*Confirmation (Grade 8) meets in the Jr. High Room*

*Grades 9–12 meet in the Sr. High Room*

### Music Ensembles

*Glory Ringers Bell Ensemble (Grades 7–12) meets in the Bell Room at 11:00 a.m.*

*Broken Together Youth Ensemble (Grades 6–12) meets in the Choir Room at 1:30 p.m.*

## Congregational Care

*Please remember these individuals and families in your prayers this week.*

Jan Adair, Ryan Allen, Jocelyn Bernholdt, Dave & Heidi Brewer, Jim & Carol Eaton, Jamie Grubb, Dixie Hawthorne, Barbara Heeley, Pat Hill, Bruce Keller, Gary Lloyd, Chris Loken, Betty Lyon, Dale McClelland, Dan Meeks, Don & Barb Majnarich, Cubby Minauskas, Al Peterson, Lenna Siens, Jim Trieschmann, Joyce Wahl, Jack & Shirley Williamson

## Serving Today

### 9:00 a.m. Service

Greeters Bud & Melissa Wheaton, Holly Trueblood, Rick, Renee & Mirna Conrad  
Welcome Desk Dick & Carolyn Raber, Phyllis Geyer  
Ushers Dave Gaul, Stan Diddams, Carter Gaul, Faith Gaul, Moyra Gorski, Andy Tooley, Teddy Tooley, Len Witte

### 11:00 a.m. Service

Greeters Mike & Terri Kinney, Phyllis Hamilton, Jean Doyle  
Welcome Desk Gil & Lola Lehman  
Ushers Bob Drake, Patty Affett, Vickie Austin, John Hamilton, Don Kenyon, Andy Majernik, Luke Majernik, Bethany Majernik, Dick Selover

**Musician:** Kevin Lange (organ, piano), Sharon Schmidt (Altar Bells), Jennifer Whiting (Chancel Choir)

**Sound Technicians:** Kevin Carlson, Phil Johnson, Alyn Mann, Dave Mann, Tony Venezia

**Staff Ministry Team:** Rev. Dr. Chris Pierson, Rev. Brian Felker Jones, Rev. Bruce Anderson, Jennifer Whiting, Kevin Lange, Carey Bebar, Kim Austin, Alexa Isaac, Becky Lemna, Pam Keller, Raven Larkin, Deb Evans, Dave Brewer, Deb Hafner, Mike & Donna Capra

## Mission Statement

**Grow** in faith, knowledge, and understanding of Christ as Lord and Savior  
**Serve** our community and the world by sharing time, gifts, talents  
**Nurture** one another through worship, fellowship, love  
**Demonstrate** our discipleship to Christ  
**Proclaim** God's grace and Good News

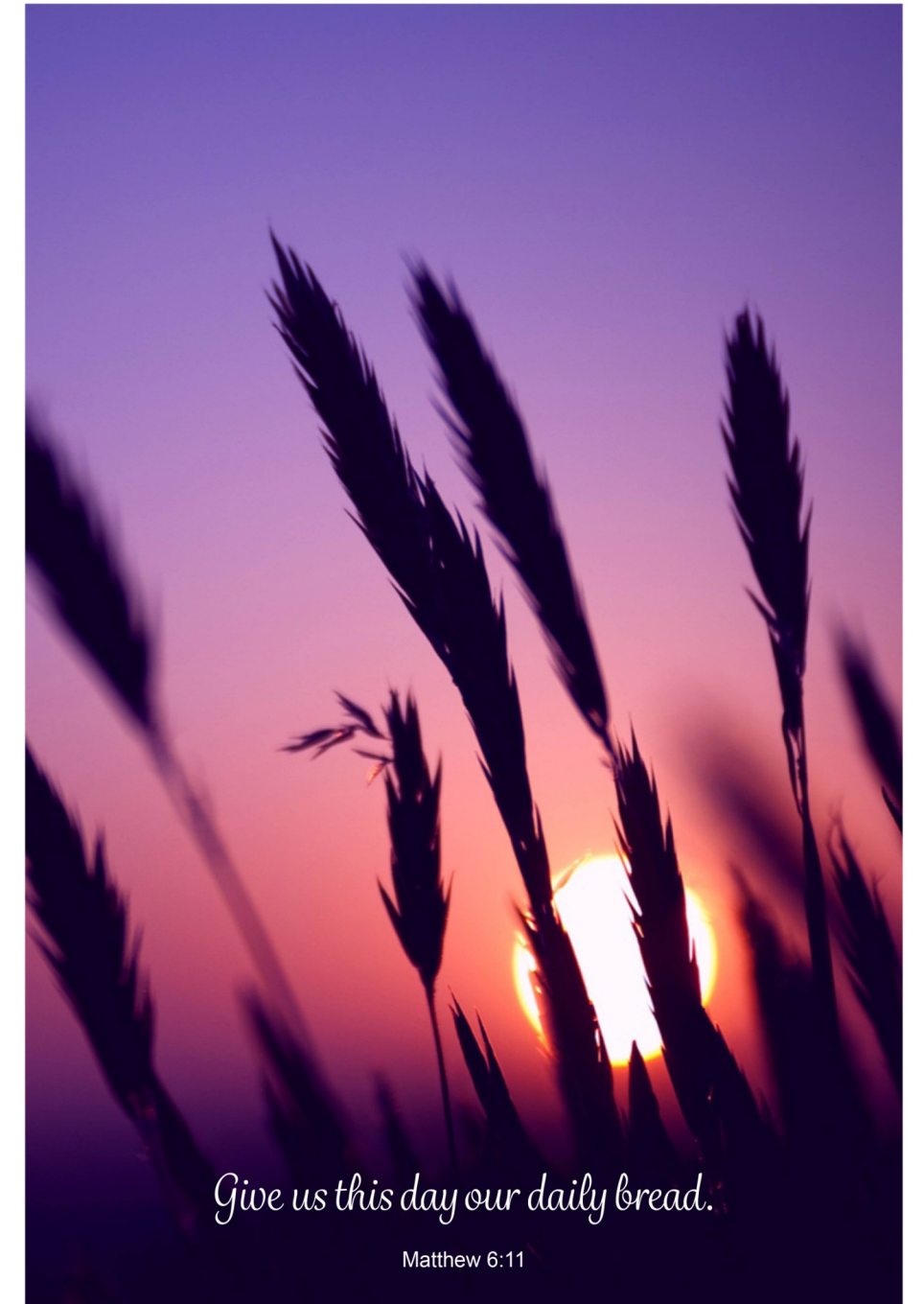
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*Give us this day our daily bread.*

Matthew 6:11

*September 9, 2018*

