

Theology + Film

Thursday, September 27, 7:00 p.m.

led by Dr. Andy Tooley & Dr. Christa Tooley
Love movies? So do we! Gary's **Theology + Film** club steps behind the camera to view cinematic art through a theological lens. This club meets monthly to screen classic and contemporary films with a threefold goal: to deepen our faith through engagement with film; to better understand the world we inhabit; and, finally, to introduce ways of thinking theologically about films. Join us for an engaging viewing and lively discussion!



THE CLASS MEETING

Sunday, September 30, 6:45-8:00 p.m.
in the Anderson Room

This is an opportunity to be part of a group that knows you personally—a community helping each other with their relationship with God and with living out their faith. *Join us for our first meeting to discuss the purpose and history of The Class Meeting and how we will meet going forward.*

Contact Pastor Brian at bjones@garychurch.org to learn more!



Gary United Methodist Church

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Gary Church in Mission

Sept. 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.”

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.

Gary's Boy Scout Troop 35 will be taking advance orders for Christmas greens and wreaths today and on Sept. 30, from 10 to 11 a.m. in the Commons.

Socktober Helping Hands Mission: Gary's children are collecting new socks to be donated to a local mission. Donations can be dropped off in the Lower Level through Oct. 21. Join Gary Kids as they share small acts of kindness that make a big difference!

Children's and Youth Ministries

4th & 5th Grade Fellowship: Sept. 29 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at Abby Farms. We will meet at Gary and travel to Abby Farms in Aurora for Pumpkin Daze. Cost is \$10 per person. Register through the Church Office by Sept. 26 at office@garychurch.org.

Gary Playdate: Come play with us at our new meeting time, the first Wednesday of each month. Join us in the Gary Activity Center on Oct. 3 from 4 to 5 p.m. to socialize with other parents while your little ones play. Snacks will be provided!

Midweek at Gary Youth: Midweek does not meet on the last Wednesday of the month. Middle Schoolers, join us on Oct. 3 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. in the Activity Center.

Serve Sunday: Oct. 7 from 3 to 4 p.m. Middle and high school students are invited to come play bingo with the residents at Brighton Gardens Assisted Living, 831 Butterfield Rd, Wheaton.

Word and Table: Our new format for High School Sunday nights begins on Oct. 7. We will meet every other week from 6:30 to 8 p.m. for dinner at a different host home. On Oct. 7 we will meet at the Marra's home. Contact aisaac@garychurch.org for details.

Opportunities at Gary Church

Explore Membership: Today from 1:30 to 3 p.m. in the Anderson Room. Anyone considering membership is invited to join the pastors to get better acquainted and discuss what it means to be United Methodist.

The Lunchtime Literary Society will kick off its new season with a lunch and book selection meeting on Sept. 25 at Cafe K'Tizo, at noon. Instead of packing a lunch, plan to buy lunch there. Come prepared to suggest books for the rest of the year.

Grief Support: Although the Grief Support group will not meet this fall, past members are invited to coffee on Sept. 26 and Oct. 24 at 10 a.m. in the Commons.

4th Friday Game Night: Sept. 28 at 7 p.m. in the Commons. Join adults of all ages for an evening of bridge, dominoes, Scrabble, friends, and fellowship.

Caleb Factor Men's Ministry: Oct. 6 from 8 to 9:30 a.m. in the Commons. All men are invited to join us to hear guest speaker Greg Chapman, Aurora District Lay Leader, discuss vocation and service, and ways God calls us to live into our faith.

Trunk or Treat: Oct. 27 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. in Gary's parking lot. Sign up to decorate a trunk at garychurch.org and be sure to join us for this spook-tacular event! Donations of candy and new/used Halloween costumes are needed and can be dropped off outside the Church Office. Please contact cbebar@garychurch.org for more information.

Childcare providers (leaders and assistants) needed for MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers) + MOMSnext (Mothers of Older Kids) on the second and fourth Tuesdays, Sept.–May, from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. For details and to apply, contact Carey Bebar at cbebar@garychurch.org.

Weekday Studies

***Fear of the Other* Book Discussion:** Mondays through Oct. 8 from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. in the Anderson Room

Women's Bible Study: Tuesdays at 7 p.m. in the Anderson Room

Men's Bible Study: Tuesday at 7 p.m. in Commons E beginning Oct. 2

Devotional Studies: Thursdays at 10 a.m. in Commons E

Burning Bush Art Gallery—An Outreach of Gary Church

Now Showing: *Awakenings Project* through Sept. 30. This show features artists that are survivors of mental illness.

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

Support Public Action to Deliver Shelter (PADS)

September 30–October 1

For a second time this year, Gary Church is supporting the PADS effort to provide shelter and meals to the homeless at First Congregational Church, Glen Ellyn. You can sign up to donate food or share your time at garychurch.org.



What is the Pray for Me Campaign?

It is adults in the congregation committing to pray for specific families or youth every day for one year using a prayer guide. We expect to have 25 families and 25 youth who wish to have someone pray for them. Our goal is to connect each of them with three prayer sponsors!

How do I get involved?

Sign up to be a sponsor on our website. Then on **October 14 at 10:00 a.m. in the Activity Center**, you'll meet the family or student for whom you will pray and get a picture and prayer guide.

Say yes to praying for a young person—and cheer them on in faith and life!

We can't think of a better way to kick off a year focused on Becoming Family than by helping every generation in our church reach the next generation through the power of prayer!