



Order of Worship

Sunday, May 3, 2026, 11:11 a.m.
Fifth Sunday of Easter

This worship experience will be livestreamed and recorded.

Welcome

Pastor Daniel Cochran

***Call to Worship**

***Gathering Songs**

God of Wonders
How Good It Is

Special Reflection

Fred Wayland

Scripture Readings

*Psalm 104:1-15, 24-29, *John 1:1-3*

David Hainline

Kid's Church!

Reflecting on the Word

Nature's Miracles

Pastor Mary Zajac

***Reflection Song**

For the Beauty of the Earth (Hymnal 92)

Time for Giving

Prayer of Confession and Words of Assurance

Sacrament of Communion

***Sending Song**

Rooted and Grounded In Love

Blessing and Fellowship Time

**You are invited to stand in body or spirit.*

Announcements

Our sympathy to: David, Cindy and John Plate on the death of Cindy's father, Joe Meyers, on Apr. 18.

This morning, Sun., May 3, at Gary Church:

- **In-Person Worship:** 9 and 11:11 a.m. Assisted listening devices and large print hymnals are available by asking an usher. Livestream and recorded worship are available at garychurch.org.
- **Altar Flowers are given by:** Shelley, Sydney and Rich Schilling in memory of Dirk Schilling.
- **Sunday School:** 10 a.m. for all ages.
- **Special Blend Fellowship:** 10 a.m., Commons. The Green Team invites you to bring your own small reusable cup with a lid.
- **Caring for Creation:** 10:10 a.m., Anderson Room. Join us for this series on caring for all creation. Today: Stewarding Creation with Native Plants. May 10: Talking About Climate Change.

Peace ribbons: Through Sun., May 31, Courtyard. Take a ribbon from the Welcome Desk, write your prayer for peace on it and tie the ribbon to the fence in the Courtyard.

SCARCE kiosk: Through Sun., May 17, Commons. Explore ways you can answer the Christian call to be a steward of God's good creation. SCARCE is a local non-profit committed to strengthening the community through environmentally focused initiatives.

Sign books for Gary's high school graduates: Stop by the Commons to sign books for our graduates. During worship on Sun., May 31, we'll pray over our graduates and present them with the book, along with an afghan, made by Gary's knitters.

Return Prescription for Life bottles: Today, Sun., May 3. Your donations help seniors at Outreach Community Center, Carol Stream. Donations can also be made at garychurch.org.

Plants with a Purpose: Extra plants are available for purchase today, Sun., May 3. Donations can be made at garychurch.org.

CROP Walk: Today, Sun., May 3, 2 p.m., Glen House, 800 Roosevelt Rd., Glen Ellyn. Your support helps People's Resource Center and Glen House. Donate at garychurch.org. Last minute walkers welcome.

Common Ground garden: Plant, weed, water and harvest Gary's garden plots at Wheaton Park District's Atten Park. Produce will be delivered to local food pantries. Sign up to help at garychurch.org.

Open call: Artists (ages 14 and up) are invited to explore the theme of *Courageous Love* for Gary's Art Gallery, Jun. 5-7. Submission deadline is Tues., May 5. Download the application at garychurch.org.

Blood Drive: Wed., May 6, 2-6 p.m., Commons. Register to donate blood at garychurch.org.

WALL-E movie event: Wed., May 13, 6:30 p.m., Chapel. The Green Team invites all ages. We'll provide the snacks as you watch WALL-E, featuring themes of environmental stewardship and mutual care.

2026 graduates: We want to recognize graduates from high school, college or vocational school. Names will be printed in an upcoming *Chimes* newsletter. Fill out the form by Sun., May 17, at garychurch.org.

Explore Gary's history: Sun., May 24-Sun., May 31, Commons. You'll find photos, bulletins, Sunday School attendance records and more from Gary's 1853-1929 timeframe.

"Open Chair" Conversation and Prayer Ministry: On fair-weather days, Gary's pastors and staff will be offering a public conversation and prayer station outside the Wesley Center.

Sign up for ESSE: May is Gary's month to provide treats and activities for Ecumenical Support Services for the Elderly, an adult day care. Contact the ESSE office at 630-260-3773 to schedule your activity.

Donate old crayons to SCARCE: Bring old crayons to Gary during the month of May. SCARCE will melt the crayons and mold them into new, larger shapes for differently-abled students!

Call for summer musicians: Contact Joshua Velez (jvelez@garychurch.org) to sign up.

VBS/BLAST Camp: Mon., Jun. 22–Thurs., Jun. 25, 9 a.m.–12 p.m. Volunteers and participants can sign up for Vacation Bible School (preschool 4s–incoming 4th graders) and BLAST Camp (incoming 5th–8th graders) at garychurch.org/registrations.

Worship Notes

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At Gary Church, our mission through Christ is to grow in joyful faith and serve all in love.
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