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SUNDAY, OCT 4, 2026, 9 A.M.

*World Communion Sunday*

*This worship experience will be livestreamed and recorded.*

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| Prelude | Vivace from Sonata in F Major<br>Georg P. Telemann | Marianna Gariazzo, flute<br>Robert Sacks, organ |
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| Welcome |  | Pastor Daniel Cochran |
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| Introit | Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ<br>Jamaican folk melody, Fred Kaan,<br>adapt. Doreen Potter, arr. Bradley Ellingboe | Chancel Choir<br>Mariana Gariazzo, flute<br>Eli Ouoba, percussion |
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\*Call to Worship

\*Passing of the Peace

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| *Opening Hymn | Listen, God Is Calling (Neno Lake Mungu)<br>Kenyan, trans. Howard Olson, additional lyrics Daniel Damon | Words on screens<br>and handout |
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| Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Forgiveness |  | Pastor Jonathan Crail |
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| Scripture Reading | 2 Peter 1:16-21 | Cindi Copeland ( <i>English</i> )<br>Bobbi Wheatley ( <i>French</i> )<br>Rhodalyne Crail ( <i>Tagalog</i> )<br>Joshua Velez ( <i>Spanish</i> ) |
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| Magnificat |  | Words on screens |
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| Children's Time |  | Carey Williams Bebar<br>Director of Children's Ministries |
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\*You are invited to stand in body or spirit.

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Reflection                      Does the Whole World Read the Same Bible?  
Pastor Jonathan Crail

\*Reflection Hymn                      All the Colors of the Rainbow                      Words on screens

Prayer of St. Francis and The Lord's Prayer                      Michael Capra (*Italian*)  
Melinda Keske (*American Sign Language*)

Offertory                      For Everyone Born  
Shirley Erena Murray, Brian Mann, arr. Tom Trenney  
*Gifts can also be made at [garychurch.org/give](http://garychurch.org/give) or by texting "give" to 630-320-0668.*

\*Doxology                      Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow                      Hymnal 94

\*Dedication of Our Tithes and Offerings

The Sacrament of Holy Communion                      Hymnal 17  
*All of our bread today is gluten free and our cups are filled with grape juice  
so that all people, including children, can participate.*

Communion Hymns

I Come with Joy, Hymnal 617  
Let Us Break Bread Together, Hymnal 618  
One Bread, One Body, Hymnal 620  
Eat This Bread, Hymnal 628

\*Sending Hymn                      Go Forth for God                      Hymnal 670

\*Benediction

Postlude                      Allegro from Sonata in F Major  
Georg P. Telemann

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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### **Our sympathy to:**

Jill, Paul and Tom Stoffels on the death of Jill's aunt, Dolores Dolley, on Sept. 27.

Harry and JoAnne Chase on the death of their daughter, Sherri Senese, on Oct. 1.

**Congratulations to:** The Van Hiel family on the birth of their son and brother, Otto.

### **This morning, Sun., Oct. 4, 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](http://garychurch.org).
- **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.
- **How to Read the Bible:** 10:10 a.m., Anderson Room, led by Dr. Michael Graves and Dr. Daniel Somboonsiri. This series explores practical approaches to reading Scripture.

**Boy Scout Troop 35 Christmas wreaths and greenery:** Order today, Sun., Oct. 4, 10 a.m., Commons, or by Mon., Oct. 19, at [wheatontroop35.org](http://wheatontroop35.org) and select one of Gary's scouts: Riley Hicks, Grant Olson, Drew, Luke Oswald. Orders will be delivered to your home the week of Thanksgiving.

**The Gathering (young adult fellowship):** Today, Sun., Oct. 4, 12 p.m., Commons. All young adults are invited to the table where you'll find good food, genuine relationships, honest conversation and room to explore faith. No RSVP is required.

**Pet Blessing:** Today, Sun., Oct. 4, 3-4 p.m., Courtyard. All people and their pets of all kinds (stuffed animals, too!) are invited to our annual "Blessing of the Animals." The event will begin with a reading from Scripture, a brief prayer and then individual blessings for all critters (weather permitting).

**Gary Homework Club needs drivers/riders:** Wednesdays, 5:30-7 p.m., Lower Level. You will use World Relief vans for pickup (5-5:30 p.m.) and dropoff (7-7:30 p.m.). If you can volunteer either time, register at [garychurch.org](http://garychurch.org).

**Mom's Walking Group:** Thursdays, 9:30 a.m., Northside Park. This is an opportunity to get to know one another and relate in the joys and struggles of being a mom. We'll meet across from the tennis courts. We will also have a short time of prayer. The current Walkers & Talkers group will continue to meet in Gary's Commons, 9:30 a.m. on Thursdays.

**Camp Gary for Preschool 3s-5th grade:** Fri., Oct. 9, Mon., Nov. 2, Lower Level, Full Day: 9 a.m.-2 p.m. (campers will need to bring their own lunch). Half Day: 9 a.m.-12 p.m. Activities include games, stories, crafts and snacks. Parents/caretakers can have access to a quiet workspace. Register at [garychurch.org](http://garychurch.org).

**Donate/sign up for college care gifts:** If you know of a college student who would love a pick-me-up from Gary Church this semester, share their info at [garychurch.org](http://garychurch.org) by Fri., Oct. 9. Donations toward the cost of goodies and postage, can be made at [garychurch.org/give](http://garychurch.org/give).

**Canopy of Creation:** Sundays, Oct. 11-25, 10:10 a.m., Anderson Room. Learn about tree inequity and how programs such as the Chicago Region Tree Initiative are working to correct inequities and how God might be calling us to participate in this aspect of caring for God's creation.

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**Mid-Month, Mid-Week, Jazz Fans:** Wed., Oct. 14, 6:30 p.m., Manhattan's, 300 S Schmale Rd., Carol Stream. Meet for fellowship, food and live jazz. Sign up at [garychurch.org](http://garychurch.org).

**Recycle Styrofoam:** Sun., Oct. 18, 8:45-10:30 a.m., South Driveway. Can you help with collection or driving duties? If so, contact Elaine McCluskey ([office@garychurch.org](mailto:office@garychurch.org)). If you miss the date, feel free to drop off Styrofoam at Dart Container Corporation, 310 Evergreen Dr., North Aurora.

**Help Habitat for Humanity:** Tues., Oct. 27-Fri., Oct. 30, Lafayette, IN. Come for a day or more. No tools or experience required to help build homes for people in need. Can't build? Consider a financial donation at [garychurch.org](http://garychurch.org). Contact Lois Davisson ([office@garychurch.org](mailto:office@garychurch.org)).

**Anti-Racist Book Club:** Wed., Oct. 28, 7 p.m., Commons, led by Carey Williams Bebar. Read *Rest Is Resistance*, by Tricia Hersey on your own and register at [garychurch.org](http://garychurch.org).

**All Saints' Day Worship:** Sun., Nov. 1, 9 a.m. and 11:11 a.m., Sanctuary. On All Saints' Day, you'll have the opportunity to name aloud and pray over our beloved saints, light candles in their honor and then partake in the Sacrament of Holy Communion. If you are unable to attend either service and have a name you would like to have read aloud, contact Pastor Daniel Cochran ([dcochran@garychurch.org](mailto:dcochran@garychurch.org)).

**Sign up to create pottery:** Sat., Nov. 7, 10 a.m., Gamon Hall. Participants will create a pottery piece, guided by instructor Lisa Grigsby. For details and to register, go to [garychurch.org](http://garychurch.org).

**Give blood on Organ and Tissue Donor Sunday:** Nov. 8, 8 a.m.-12:30 p.m., at Gary Church. Each pint donated can save up to three lives. Register at [garychurch.org](http://garychurch.org). Walk-ins welcome.

**Blessing Bag project:** Monetary donations needed to help fill backpacks (blankets, gloves, food, etc.) to be given to unhoused people in DuPage County. Donate at [garychurch.org/give](http://garychurch.org/give). Contact Ellie Pentland ([office@garychurch.org](mailto:office@garychurch.org)) for details on donating specific items and volunteering.

**Prairie Central Fall 2026 Lay Academy:** Saturdays, Nov. 7 and 14, 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m., First United Methodist Church, 155 S. Main St., Lombard. Choose a class from the following three topics: sacraments, spiritual gifts and fighting racism. Learn more and register at [garychurch.org](http://garychurch.org).

**Share job posting:** Gary Church has an opening for a full-time director of youth ministry. View the job description and apply at [garychurch.org](http://garychurch.org). Share the job posting on LinkedIn.

**Order church merch:** T-shirts, sweatshirts and more with *Listening, Loving, Leading*, the theme for our 2026-27 ministry year, can be purchased at [garychurch.org](http://garychurch.org).

**Save your bulletin for a friend:** Planning to participate in a class or event? Feel free to highlight announcements and give the bulletin to a friend as an invitation to come with you.



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

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