



SUNDAY, JAN. 11, 2026, 9 A.M.

Baptism of the Lord

This worship experience will be livestreamed and recorded.

Prelude	Chorale Prelude on DUKE STREET H. Alexander Matthews	Mark Edwards, organ
Welcome		Pastor Daniel Cochran
*Call to Worship		
*Passing of the Peace		
*Hymn	Jesus Shall Reign	Hymnal 157
Scripture Readings	Acts 10:44-48, *Matthew 3:13-17	Robyn Donoho
*Gloria Patri		Hymnal 70
Children's Time		Carey Williams Bebar
Reflection	The Responsible Grace of Baptism	Pastor Mary Zajac
*Reflection Hymn	The Baptist Bore Witness	Words on Screens and Page 2 of Bulletin
Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer		
Offertory	Enduring Gladness Ron Mallory	Altar Bells

Gifts can also be made at garychurch.org/give or by texting "give" to 630-320-0668.

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

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*Doxology

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Hymnal 94

Dedication of Our Tithes and Offerings

Celebration and Reaffirmation of Baptism

Child of Blessing, Child of Promise, Hymnal 611
I Was There to Hear Your Borning Cry, *The Faith We Sing* 2051
I Have Decided to Follow Jesus, *The Faith We Sing* 2129
The Summons, *The Faith We Sing* 2130 (verses 1, 2, 4 and 5)
Baptized in Water, *The Faith We Sing* 2248

*Sending Hymn

Wash, O God, Our Sons and Daughters

Hymnal 605

*Benediction

Postlude

Fantasia
John Stainer

The Baptist bore witness



1. The Bap - tist bore wit - ness to God's cho - sen One: not on - ly a
2. This Christ now in - vites us, the Church here to - day, bap - tized in the
3. Be - liev - ers, called forth to make peace and u - nite, not on - ly God's



ser - vant but al - so God's Son, Christ, bap - tized for sin - ners, the
Spir - it, to fol - low his way not on - ly in word but in
ser - vants but al - so God's light, bring hope to the na - tions, to



ho - ly "I AM," not on - ly a shep - herd but al - so a lamb.
love's dai - ly deed, with jus - tice and mer - cy for neigh - bors in need.
lands far and near, pro - claim - ing sal - va - tion: "The king - dom is here!"

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Announcements

Our sympathy to:

Grant, Abbey and Jace Davis on the death of Abbey's great-grandfather, Rev. Thomas Jarrell, on Jan. 1.
Michael and Donna Capra on the death of Michael's cousin, Domenico, on Jan. 5.

Congratulations to:

Anne and Craig Dettmann on the birth of their son, Joseph, on Dec. 27. Grandparents are Jack and Lisa Rozwat.

This morning, Sun., Jan. 11, 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:** Barbara Holmes in loving memory of her mother, Florence Holmes.
- **Love in Mission:** 10:10 a.m., Anderson Room. We will explore several missions supported by Gary and discover how they demonstrate courageous love to our neighbors. Today: People's Resource Center, including Gary Church's John-Marc Bilezikian.
- **Special Blend Fellowship:** 10 a.m., Commons. The Green Team invites you to bring your own small reusable cup with a lid.

Styrofoam recycling: Today, Sun. Jan. 11. 8:45–10:30 a.m., South Driveway. If you miss today, feel free to drop off Styrofoam at Dart Container Corporation, 310 Evergreen Dr., North Aurora.

Sing in the Festival Choir: All voices are welcome to sing in the Festival Choir, *Grief and Glory: A Musical Lenten Anticipation*, on Sun., Feb. 15. Rehearsals have started. For rehearsal schedule contact Joshua Velez (jvelez@garychurch.org).

Still need 36 Lenten devotions: Before Thurs., Jan. 15. Our Lenten Devotional is a compilation of personal stories of God at work, sent to your email throughout Lent. We invite all children, youth and adults to participate. You're welcome to follow this format: title, Scripture, reflection, prayer, action. Email your devotion to Janet Mathis (jmathis@garychurch.org).

Anti-Racist Book Club: Wed., Jan. 28, 7 p.m., Commons A. Read James Baldwin's book, *If Beale Street Could Talk*, on your own and register for the discussion at garychurch.org.

New Men's Bible study: Tuesdays, starting Jan. 13, 6:30 p.m., Anderson Room, led by Steve Novy. In *Luke: Jesus and the Outsiders, Outcasts and Outlaws*, Adam Hamilton explores the life, teachings, death and resurrection of Jesus. Contact Steve Novy through the Church Office (office@garychurch.org) for more information.

Semimonthly men's breakfast: Second and third Saturdays of the month, 7:30 a.m., Egg'lectic Cafe, 145 N. Hale St., Wheaton. All Gary Church men are invited to join. RSVP at garychurch.org to reserve a place at the table.

Bakers needed for Educate a Girl bake sale: Sun., Jan. 25, 8:30 a.m.-12:15 p.m., Commons. Bake and buy goodies to fund scholarships to girls around the world. Drop off baked goods on Sat., Jan. 24, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. or Sun., Jan. 25, 8 a.m.

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Exploring Membership: Sun., Jan. 25, 10 a.m., Chapel. Come explore ways you can connect with Gary, meet other newer folks and discover a place to belong. You will also be able to get better acquainted with our pastors and staff, learn about the history of Gary Church and what it means to be United Methodist. Register at garychurch.org. Questions? Contact Jennifer Castino (jcastino@garychurch.org).

Winter Women's Retreat: Fri., Jan. 30, 5 p.m.–Sat., Jan. 31, 4 p.m. at La Salle Manor Retreat Center, Plano. Gather for connection, reflection and conversation in a cozy lodge that is perfect for winter. Cost is \$175 per person. Register at garychurch.org.

Getting to Know Gary Church: Sun., Feb. 1, 12:15 p.m., Commons. Interested in learning more about Gary? Would you like to chat with our pastors about membership or our many missions and ministries? Join Pastors Mary Zajac and Daniel Cochran for a casual lunch. Register at garychurch.org.

Give blood: Wed., Feb. 4, 2–6 p.m., Commons. Sign up to be a hero to as many as three people! The need is constant, and every pint is precious. Register at garychurch.org. Walk-ins also welcome. Mark your calendar for these blood drives in 2026: May 6, Aug. 19 and Nov. 18.

11:11 a.m. playlist: If you've been wanting a way to worship through singing at home or on the road, there is now a playlist of songs used in worship at 11:11 a.m. Go to garychurch.org/ministries/music for the YouTube and Spotify links.

Music Ministry suggestion box: You are welcome to provide ideas, feedback, or requests for a favorite hymn, worship song, or piece of music, as our worship through music is an integral part of our shared community. Share your thoughts at garychurch.org.

Church merch: T-shirts and sweatshirts with our church theme, “Love courageously,” are available to purchase at garychurch.org/registrations.



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