GARY United Methodist CHURCH

Order of Worship

Sunday, Nov. 8, 2026, 11:11 a.m.
24th *Sunday after Pentecost*

This worship experience will be livestreamed and recorded.

Welcome
Pastor Daniel Cochran

Call to Worship

***Gathering Songs**
We Belong to God
Bind Us Together

Christmas Sharing Announcement

Dan Wible

Scripture Reading
1 Corinthians 12:12-27

Kids' Church!

Reflecting on the Word
Pastor Jonathan Crail

***Reflection Song**
We Will Feast in the House of Zion

Time of Giving

Prayers of the People

***Sending Song**
May You Run and Not Be Weary (The Faith We Sing 2281)

Blessing and Fellowship Time

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

Announcements

Our sympathy to:
Larry Hayes on the death of his wife, Arta (Phoebe) Hayes, on Oct. 27.

This morning, Sun., Nov. 8, 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.
- **Sunday School:** 10 a.m. for all ages.
- **Give blood on Organ and Tissue Donor Sunday:** 8 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Anderson Room. Each pint donated can save up to three lives. Walk-ins welcome.
- **Altar flowers:** Happy birthday to Joe Ruth, our amazing and loving husband and dad, from the Ruth family.
- **Special Blend Fellowship:** 10 a.m., Commons.

The Gathering: Today, Sun., Nov. 8, 12:15 p.m., Commons. Young adults are invited to the table where you can find food, relationships, conversation and room to explore faith. No RSVP is required.

Stewardship: We invite you to listen, love, lead and prayerfully consider how sharing your time, talents and treasure can reflect God's abundance in your life and have an impact at Gary Church and in the world. Fill out a stewardship card or go to garychurch.org to complete the online form.

Great East Window restoration: Over the next year, the Great East Window in the Sanctuary balcony will be removed and restored to prevent glass pieces from falling out. Donations to the stained-glass window fund can be made at garychurch.org.

Leftover Halloween candy? Candy will be shared with visitors to the Church Office. Drop off leftover candy in the basket in the Commons.

Simply Yoga: Mondays, Nov. 9-Dec. 21, 11 a.m.-12:15 p.m., Chapel, led by Mary Megan Bagnall. There will be no class on Nov. 23. All levels and bodies are welcome to this contemporary practice rooted in ancient wisdom. Wear comfortable clothes and bring your water bottle and yoga mat. Register at garychurch.org.

Feed My Starving Children Family Night: Wed., Nov. 11, 7:15–8:45 p.m., 555 Exchange Ct., Aurora. Join Gary families of all ages as we turn hunger into hope by packing meals for children around the world. Register at garychurch.org using the code: K0LGWM.

Walking a Sacred Path: Sundays, Nov. 15- 22, 10:10 a.m., Anderson Room. Join the Rev. Barb Good as we explore the history and practice of pilgrimage, how it differs from tourism and how the simple act of journeying with intention can open us to God in new ways.

Bountiful Love Thanksgiving Potluck: Sun. Nov. 15, 12:30 p.m., Commons. Bring a side dish or dessert to share, plus your plates and utensils. Main dish will be provided. RSVP and/or volunteer at garychurch.org.

Donate cloth napkins: As Gary works to reduce its footprint on the Earth, we want cloth napkins for church events. Leave napkins in the bin in the Commons through Nov. 15. Help us reach our goal of 100 before the Thanksgiving Potluck.
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Christian Nationalism and Public Education: Sun., Nov. 15, 4 p.m., St. Matthew United Church of Christ, 1420 South Gables Blvd., Wheaton. Gary is participating in this ecumenical effort called West Suburban Christians Against Christian Nationalism. Join us in person or livestream to understand and better respond to the influence of Christian nationalism in our school districts. Register at garychurch.org.

Anti-Racist Book Club: Wed., Nov. 18, 7 p.m., Commons, led by Elaine McCluskey. Read *When Trees Testify* by Beronda L. Montgomery on your own and register at garychurch.org. .

Discount for Camerata concert: Sat., Nov. 21, 3 p.m., Sanctuary. All are welcome to this family-friendly sing-along Hallelujah Chorus. Use coupon code GUMC for a 15% discount at cameratachicago.org.

Cookie Walk: Sat., Dec. 5, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Commons. Joy Circle and the United Women of Faith invite you to their Christmas Cookie Walk to raise money for missions. Bakers of homemade cookies needed. Contact Ida Whitcomb or Suzy Wible (office@garychurch.org).

Christmas Sharing: Sat., Dec. 12. For over 50 years, Christmas Sharing has helped needy families in CUSD 200. Look for the angel tree and collection boxes in the Commons.

- **Donate toys, coats and diapers:** Grab an ornament off the angel tree. Each ornament represents a need. Gifts for teens and diapers are especially needed.
- **Sign up:** Many volunteers are needed. Be sure to check the sign-up sheets in the Commons to see how you can help.
- **Give financially:** Monetary contributions will be used to buy food, sundry items and gift cards. Donations can be made through your offering or at garychurch.org/give.

WORSHIP NOTES

