



SUNDAY, NOV. 9, 2025, 9 A.M.

22nd Sunday after Pentecost

This worship experience will be livestreamed and recorded.

Prelude	Pastorale in C Major, BWV 590 Prelude in A Minor, BWV 889 Johann S. Bach	William Phemister, organ
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Welcome	Pastor Daniel Cochran
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Introit	O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee Henry Percy Smith, arr. Barbara B. Kinyon	Altar Bells
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*Call to Worship

This is the time and the place to gather.

Like faithful people across the ages we gather to worship the Lord our God.

We gather to hear the scriptures and ponder them deeply.

We come to pray as one voice.

We gather to confess our sins, and be assured of forgiveness.

We come to lift up our voices together in songs of praise.

This is the place we need to be, individually and together.

Lord, receive our worship as an offering of our love and commitment to you.

*Hymn	O God, Our Help In Ages Past	Hymnal 117
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Sacrament of Baptism

Scripture Readings	Isaiah 1:10-18, *Luke 19:1-10	Cheryll Kelly
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*Gloria Patri	Words on Screens
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Children's Time	Carey Williams Bebar
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*You are invited to stand in body or spirit.

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Reflection

Course Correction

Pastor Mary Zajac

Prayer of Confession and Words of Assurance

Lord, we confess that we find it difficult to admit our need for correction. We want to think we are good enough, or at least better than others. Keep us mindful that “good enough” is not your intent for us. Remind us that it is not our place to judge others, but rather to encourage them in their faith as we seek to grow in our own faithfulness. Show us the errors of our ways, so we may steadfastly grow in our love for you, our neighbors and ourselves. Amen.

Hear the good news, Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners: in days past, today and into the future. When we sincerely confess our sin in the name of Christ, and seek to change our course, we can count on the promise that we are forgiven.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

*Reflection Hymn

God, How Can We Forgive

The Faith We Sing 2169

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Christmas Sharing Announcement

Dan Wible

Offertory

Standing on the Promises
arr. Sandra Eithun

Gifts can also be made at 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

*Sending Hymn

The Church Of Christ, in Every Age

Hymnal 589

*Benediction

Postlude

Psalm 19
Benedetto Marcello

Announcements

Our sympathy to:

Sally Bintz, Ellen Bintz Vivoda (Mike) and Kathy Bintz (David Garratt) on the death of their husband and father, Verne, on Oct. 29. A memorial service will be held on Sat., Nov. 15, 11 a.m. in Gary's Sanctuary with a visitation beginning at 9:30 a.m.

Altar flowers are given by:

Don Kenyon in celebration of the 250th birthday of United States Marine Corps - Nov. 10, 1775.
Joe & Rachel Matuch in celebration of Sam and Will's baptisms today.

This morning, Sun., Nov. 9, 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.
- **Special Blend Fellowship:** 10 a.m. in the Commons. The Green Team invites you to bring your own small reusable cup with a lid.
- **SACRED Care:** Today and Sun., Nov. 16, 10:10 a.m., Anderson Room, led by Carey Williams Bebar. We'll explore spiritual practices for the highs and lows of parenting. Based on Aizaiah and Nereyda Yong's book, *Sacred Parenthood*, this class offers a transformative guide for nurturing children, youth and yourself.

Stewardship: Love courageously: We invite you to love courageously and prayerfully consider how sharing your spiritual gifts and financial resources can help you to continue to grow in joyful faith and serve all in love. Turn in your stewardship card or go to garychurch.org.

Ways to help with Christmas Sharing: Sat., Dec. 13. For over 50 years, Christmas Sharing has helped needy families in CUSD 200. Look for the angel tree and collection boxes in the Commons.

- **Adult coats needed:** Clean, gently used adult coats for our guest families, plus hats and gloves for all ages are being collected. This is in addition to the new coats we provide to every child.
- **Buy books:** Through Gary's "Sharing A Story" mission, we will be offering a new book to each preschooler. The Bookstore of Glen Ellyn, 475 N Main St., Glen Ellyn, is offering a 20% discount through Nov. 20 for Christmas Sharing purchases.
- **Donate leftover candy:** Gary Kids will fill treat bags with candy for Christmas Sharing. Drop it off in the bin in the Commons. Any Halloween-themed candy will be shared with visitors to the Church Office.

Save lives; give blood: Wed., Nov. 19, 2-6 p.m., Commons. Each pint donated can save up to three lives. The need is constant, and every pint is precious. Register at garychurch.org. Walk-ins are also welcome.

Bountiful Love Potluck: Sun. Nov. 16, 12:30 p.m., Commons. Gather for a Thanksgiving potluck. Main dish, coffee and lemonade will be provided. Bring your favorite Thanksgiving side dish or dessert to share, plus place settings (plates, cups, utensils) for your party. RSVP and/or volunteer, at garychurch.org.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS (continued)

New Men's Bible Study: Tuesdays, 6:30 p.m., Anderson Room, led by Steve Novy. All men are invited to discuss *The Bible With and Without Jesus: How Jews and Christians Read the Same Stories Differently* by Amy-Jill Levine and Marc Z. Brettler. Register at garychurch.org to reserve a book.

Bakers and buyers needed for Cookie Walk: Sat., Dec. 6, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Commons. Joy Circle and the United Women of Faith invite you to our second annual Christmas Cookie Walk to raise money for missions. If you can donate homemade cookies, contact Juanita Hobbs, Ida Whitcomb or Suzy Wible through the Church Office (office@garychurch.org).

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

Donate fresh produce: Drop off apples, carrots, potatoes and sweet potatoes in the bin in the Commons for the People's Resource Center.

Technical difficulties: The monitor on the left side of the Chancel has stopped working. Thanks for your patience until we can get it replaced.

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.

Get church merch! T-shirts and sweatshirts with the 2025-26 church theme, "Love courageously," are available to purchase at garychurch.org/registrations.

"Red Card" available: The Immigrant Legal Resource Center has designed a red card that lists constitutional rights. If you or someone you know would like one, stop in the Church Office.

Flowers for altar: If you'd like to give flowers on a Sunday, fill out the form on the registrations page at garychurch.org, or contact the Church Office (office@garychurch.org). Cost: \$35.



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