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SUNDAY, AUG. 23, 2026, 9 A.M.

13<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

*This worship experience will be livestreamed and recorded.*

Prelude

Sonata for Flute and Organ  
I. Larghetto and II. Allegro  
George F. Handel

Mariana Gariazzo, flute  
Robert Sacks, organ

Welcome

Pastor Jonathan Crail

Introit

Sicilienne  
Gabrielle Faure

\*Call to Worship

\*Passing of the Peace

\*Opening Hymn

Praise the Source of Faith and Learning

*The Faith We Sing 2004*

Scripture Readings

\*Matthew 4:18-22, John 21:1-6, 9-12a

Cindy Plate

\*Gloria Patri

Words on Screens

Children's Time

Carey Williams Bebar  
Director of Christian Education

Reflection

Called to Be Ordinary

Pastor Daniel Cochran

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\*Reflection Hymn                      I Sing a Song of the Saints of God                      Hymnal 712

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Offertory                      The Power of Your Love                      Lynda Goldberg and  
                                         Geoff Bullock, arr. Lloyd Larson                      Lindsey Lillig, voice

*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

\*Sending Hymn                      Take My Life, and Let It Be                      Hymnal 399

\*Benediction

Postlude                      Sonata for Flute and Organ  
                                         IV. Allegro  
                                         George F. Handel

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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### **Altar flowers are given by:**

Barbara Holmes in loving memory of her mother, Florence Holmes.

Steve & Jamie Hanna Williams in celebration of their 51<sup>st</sup> Wedding Anniversary!

### **This morning, Sun., Aug. 23, at Gary Church:**

- **In-Person Worship:** 9 a.m., Sanctuary. 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).
- **Special Blend Fellowship:** 10 a.m., Commons. The Green Team invites you to bring your own small reusable cup with a lid.
- **All-church training:** 10:30 a.m., Sanctuary. After worship at 9 a.m., grab some refreshments from Special Blend and then learn about new initiatives, what's happening in the ministry area(s) you serve and all-church policies.

**Gary Youth Soft-Start:** Mon., Aug. 24, 6:30–8 p.m., Commons. All 6<sup>th</sup> thru 12<sup>th</sup> graders and their parents are invited to gather with the youth Council for ice cream, fellowship and to make plans for the year ahead.

**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.

**Love gift for Dan Lee:** Dan's last Sunday on staff will be Aug. 30. To say thank you for six years as our director of youth ministry, you can contribute to a love gift for Dan Lee at [garychurch.org/give](http://garychurch.org/give).

**Blooms for Books:** Support Sharing A Story's fundraiser by ordering mums online at [garychurch.org](http://garychurch.org) through Sept. 13. Cost: \$12 per plant. Pick up plants on Sun., Sept. 20, 10–11:30 a.m. Proceeds will be used to purchase books for children in need.

**Bike to Church:** Sun., Aug. 30 (and any Sunday you like!). Enjoy a bike ride to church, and park your bicycle at the rack near the Parking Lot.

**Exploring Membership:** Sun., Aug. 30, 10:10 a.m., Anderson Room. Get better acquainted with pastors and staff, learn more about what it means to be United Methodist and about the history of our Gary Church congregation. Sign up at [garychurch.org](http://garychurch.org).

**Fifth Sunday Photos:** Sun., Aug. 30, 10 a.m., Commons. Smile! Church photographers will be set up to take your photo. Update your photo for our online directory.

**Looking ahead to September:** Our second worship service at 11:11 a.m. begins again on Kickoff Sunday, Sept. 13, along with Sunday School for all ages at 10 a.m.

**New Young Adult Fellowship at Gary Church:** Sundays, Sept. 13 and Oct. 4 after 11:11 a.m. worship, at Gary. All young adults are invited to a time of food and fellowship. Meet and chat with the pastors and members of Gary Church while enjoying a free homemade meal. No RSVP is required.

**How to Read the Bible:** Sundays, Sept. 13–Oct. 4, Anderson Room, led by Dr. Michael Graves and Dr. Daniel Somboonsiri. How do we read the Bible faithfully? This series will explore practical approaches to reading Scripture, considering its historical context, literary genres and theological themes.

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**Journeys of Paul in Greece:** April 17–24, 2027 with an optional Greek Isle cruise extension April 23–27. Join Carey Williams Bebar and Educational Opportunities for the tour. Register by Thurs., Sept. 17 for a \$50 discount. See full itinerary and pricing details at [garychurch.org](http://garychurch.org).

**New publication(s) deadline:** Tues., Aug. 25, 12 p.m. to Janet Mathis ([jmathis@garychurch.org](mailto:jmathis@garychurch.org)). We are adding a monthly women's and a monthly men's e-news that will be emailed the first of the month, Sept.–May. Articles will be due a week before the first of the month and will be focused on women's and men's groups. We will continue with the weekly e-news on Wednesdays for all-church news.

**Activity assistants and drivers needed:** ESSE Adult Day Services has employment opportunities. Visit [esseadultdaycare.org](http://esseadultdaycare.org) for details.

**Transport food for People's Resource Center:** Morning shifts available, Mon.–Sat. PRC needs drivers and riders to transport food from area grocery stores to the food pantry. If you can help, contact [volunteers@peoplesrc.org](mailto:volunteers@peoplesrc.org).

**Shuttle bus riders needed this summer:** The Older Adults Program at Outreach needs volunteers to assist people on and off the shuttle bus, provide conversation and help create a warm and caring environment. If you can help, sign up at [weareoutreach.org](http://weareoutreach.org).



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