



SUNDAY, JAN. 25, 2026, 9 A.M.

Third Sunday after the Epiphany

This worship experience will be livestreamed and recorded.

Prelude	Nocturne in B Major, Op. 9, No. 3 Frédéric Chopin, arr. Deanna Witkowski	Deanna Witkowski, piano
Welcome		Pastor Mary Zajac
Introit	Great Is Thy Faithfulness Thomas Chisholm, William M. Runyan	Ezra Tatnall, piano
*Call to Worship		
*Hymn	We Gather Together	Hymnal 131
Scripture Readings	Acts 2:43-47, Colossians 3:12-17	Jill Grauman
Magnificat		Words on Screens
Children's Time		Carey Williams Bebar
Reflection		Pastor Daniel Cochran
*Reflection Hymn	We Are the Church (verses 1-4)	Hymnal 558
Prayer of Confession and Words of Assurance		

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Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Offertory

Shine the Light
Raymond Wise

Chancel Choir

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

*Hymn

Lead With Love

Words on Screens

Postlude

Alla Breve in D
J.K.F. Fischer

Mark Edwards, organ

WORSHIP NOTES

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Announcements

Our sympathy to: Bonnie Wheaton, Anne, Matt, Will and Kate Wanzenberg, on the death of former Gary member, Mary Tylman, Bonnie's sister-in-law and Anne's aunt, on Dec. 19, 2025. A memorial service will be held on Jun. 13, 11 a.m. in the Sanctuary.

This morning, Sun., Jan. 25, 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:** Jack and Lisa Rozwat in celebration of the birth of their grandson, Joseph Walter Dettmann, son of Anne and Craig, on Dec 27.
- **Love in Mission:** 10:10 a.m., Anderson Room. Today we welcome Outreach. Mindy Inman, director of volunteer services, will share the latest efforts for demonstrating courageous love.
- **Educate a Girl bake sale:** Until 12:15 p.m., Commons. Buy goodies to fund scholarships to girls around the world. You can also donate to Educate a Girl at garychurch.org/give.
- **Exploring Membership:** 10 a.m., Chapel. Explore ways you can connect with Gary. You will also be able to get acquainted with our pastors and staff, learn about the history of Gary and what it means to be United Methodist.
- **Special Blend Fellowship:** 10 a.m., Commons. The Green Team invites you to bring your own small reusable cup with a lid.

Breakfast: Fourth Friday of the month, 8:30 a.m., Seven Dwarfs, 917 E. Roosevelt Rd., Wheaton. Join Dan and Sandy Fridley for food and fellowship. Register at garychurch.org to reserve your place at the table.

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.

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. Register at garychurch.org. Cost: \$175.

Special Church Conference Meeting: Sun., Feb. 1, Chapel, immediately following 9 a.m. worship. We will be voting on an increase to Pastor Daniel Cochran's housing allowance. This change will be funded with a reallocation of funds, instead of a budget increase. Members must be in attendance to vote.

Social Responsibility: Sundays, Feb. 1-15, 10:10 a.m., led by Rev. Dwight Stewart. We will explore some of the Rev. Dr. Howard Thurman's thoughts and the implications for us today, based on the book, "The Inner Life and Social Responsibility." No reading required

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. Save the date for these blood drives in 2026: May 6, Aug. 19 and Nov. 18.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS (continued)

Grief & Glory A Musical Lenten Anticipation: Sun., Feb. 15. Presented twice: 9 a.m. at Wheaton's First Presbyterian Church, 715 N. Carlton Ave. and 11:11 a.m. at Gary. The Festival Choirs and Orchestras of both churches will offer M. Roger Holland's *Tribulation Suite* and Donté Ford's *Three Gospelized Spirituals* (choral-orchestral world premiere). It's free and open to the public. Invite your friends!

Ash Wednesday: Feb. 18. This marks the beginning of Lent, a 40-day season of repentance and prayer that prepares us for Good Friday and Easter Sunday.

- 7-8 a.m. Ashes to Go, College Avenue Train Station
- 9-10 a.m. Ashes to Go, Gary Church Parking Lot
- 5:30 p.m. Family Worship and Activity, Commons
- 7 p.m. Traditional Worship, Sanctuary

Living Fully, Dying Well: Thursdays, starting Feb. 19, 2-3:30 p.m. or 7-8:30 p.m. (based on interest), Anderson Room, led by Rev. Fred Kelsey. Our best decisions about life's most important events are seldom made in a time of crisis. Living Fully, Dying Well is a class designed to assist us in making careful, wise and prayerful preparation for meeting life's most important moments. Register at garychurch.org.

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.

