Prelude When in Our Music God Is Glorified Kevin Lange, organ
tune, Charles V. Stanford, arr. Albert L. Travis

Welcome Pastor Daniel Cochran

Call to Worship

Hymn I Sing the Almighty Power of God Hymnal 152

Scripture Readings Psalm 139:1-12, Matthew 13:24-30 Linda Tresner

Hymn Come, Ye Thankful People, Come Hymnal 694
(stanzas 1-3)

Sermon Pastor Chris Pierson

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord’s Prayer

Offertory It Is Well with My Soul George Smith, solo
(text, Horatio Spafford, music, Philip Bliss)
Kevin Lange, piano

Please consider making a gift online and/or by text-giving to 844-928-1220. Enter a dollar amount and the word “GARY.” Checks may also be mailed to the church at the address below.

Doxology Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow Hymnal 94

Hymn The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve The Faith We Sing 2241

Benediction

Postlude Prelude on RICHMOND
hymn-tune by Thomas Haweis, arr. Healey Willan
Gary Church Announcements

Stay Connected to the Gary Church Family

Today, Sun., July 23, at Gary Church:

- **In-Person Worship**: 9 a.m. in the Sanctuary. Livestream and recorded worship are available at garychurch.org.
- **Nursery care**: 8:50 a.m.-10 a.m. Childcare for infants and toddlers is available in the Nursery (lower level).
- **Special Blend Fellowship**: 10 a.m. in the Commons.

**Fill up offering plate (even electronic givers)**: All churchgoers can participate when the offering plate goes by, even electronic givers. In the pews, you’ll find an I give electronically card. Place it in the offering plate and think about how you contribute to the mission of Gary Church. To find out all the ways you can give, go to garychurch.org/give.

**Knitters/Stitchers Circle**: Second and fourth Thursdays, 7 p.m. at Gary. All knitters, stitchers, embroiderers, etc. are welcome to come whenever you can!

**Wheaton College Marion E. Wade Center Museum Outing**: Fri., July 28, 12:30 p.m. (optional lunch at 11 a.m.). Families are invited to join Carey Williams Bebar for a tour designed with grade school children in mind, and an optional lunch at 2Toots Train Whistle Grill, Glen Ellyn. Register at garychurch.org.

**Summer Supper**: Thurs., Aug. 3, 5:30–7 p.m., in the Courtyard (if inclement weather, then the Commons). Meet for a potluck at Gary before the 7:30 p.m. concert in Memorial Park. You may recognize one of the percussionists, Gary member John Plate! Bring a dish to share, plus your chair, place setting, drink and whatever else you need. Register at garychurch.org.

**A sweet welcome**: Sun., Aug. 6, 10 a.m. in the Commons (note new date). Let’s officially welcome Pastor Daniel Cochran with lots of sweet treats! Bring a dessert to share for this special fellowship time.

**Golf Outing 2023**: Sun., Aug. 6, first tee time 1 p.m., at Klein Creek Golf Course. The 26th annual Gary Golf Outing to support Gary Youth will be a four-person scramble format with a meal and refreshments afterwards. All skill levels welcome. Register to play and/or sponsor a hole at garychurch.org.

**Worship in the Park and Picnic**: Sun., Aug. 20, 10 a.m., Memorial Park (note time and location). Bring a lawn chair or use the theater seating provided. After the service, we’ll share a picnic together. More details to come.

**Blood drive**: Wed., Aug. 23, 2-6 p.m. in the Commons. Each time you give blood, you could save up to three lives. Register at garychurch.org, and tell your friends.

**All-church training**: Sun., Aug. 27, 2 p.m. Learn about the new theme for the year, what's happening in the ministry area(s) you serve, plus all-church policies.

**Newly-imagined 11 a.m. service**: Beginning Sun., Aug. 27. You may notice some tweaks to the 9 a.m. service, and you’ll want to try the new 11 a.m. service. The Worship Visioning Team reviewed all aspects of worship, including accessibility, technology, style, flow and more.

**Give flowers for the altar**: Many Sundays are available to provide flowers for the altar. If you’d like to give flowers, fill out the form on the registrations page of garychurch.org or contact the Church Office (office@garychurch.org). The cost of the flowers is $35.

**Lectionary readings**

- **This week’s readings**: Genesis 28:10-19a; Psalm 139:1-12, 23-24; Romans 8:12-25 and Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43
- **Next week’s readings**: Genesis 29:15-28, Psalm 105:1-11, 45b; Romans 8:26-39 and Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

Stay Connected to the Mission

**Stuff, stuff and more stuff**: Check out the two labeled rooms in Gamon Hall for some possible treasures to take home. Donations appreciated at garychurch.org/give or through the Church Office.

**Help make Gary gardens gorgeous**: Anyone can join the Gary Gardeners team. Contact Barbara Wernicke through the Church Office (office@garychurch.org).

**Don’t miss out!** Even if you’ve been a member for years, you may not know all the opportunities to connect to God and others at Gary Church. What interests you? Meal ministry? Praying for others? Caring for others? Committee work? Look for the “Get Connected” link at garychurch.org and indicate which areas you have an interest in serving or contact the Church Office (office@garychurch.org).