

Gary Church Announcements

Stay Connected to the Church Family

Sunday morning, May 15

- **In-Person Worship:** 9 a.m. in the Sanctuary. Livestream and recorded worship services are available at garychurch.org.
- **Altar flowers are given by:** Gil Lehman and family in loving memory of Lola Lehman.
- **Nursery:** 8:50–10:50 a.m. Childcare for infants and toddlers is available in the Nursery (lower level).
- **United in Mission:** Today and Sun., May 22, 9:50 a.m., in the Chapel, led by Fred Wayland. Join us for either or both sessions as we explore our United Methodist connection and what it means to #BeUMC.
- **Special Blend Fellowship:** 9:50 a.m. in the Commons. Volunteers needed for future weeks. Sign up at garychurch.org.
- **Worship Talk:** 11 a.m. on Zoom. The link is available at garychurch.org.

Enjoy game night: Fri., May 27, 6:30–9 p.m., in the Commons. Join us on the fourth Friday of every month to play games of bridge, dominoes or anything you like with your Gary friends. Must be vaccinated to join in on the fun. Contact Fern Evelhoch through the Church Office (office@garychurch.org) for more information, and to let us know you're coming.

High School Senior Recognition: Sun., June 12. Gary's graduating high school seniors will receive an afghan and a special book in worship. Be sure to stop by the tables in the Commons to sign the books that will be presented to our seniors.

Register on line for these events: Visit garychurch.org for details and to sign up.

- **Anti-Racist Book Club:** Wed., May 25, 7 p.m., in the Commons. We will discuss *Minor Feelings: An Asian American Reckoning* by Cathy Park Hong. Purchase the book on your own.
- **Sign up and volunteer for Vacation Bible School:** Mon., June 20–Thurs., June 23. Kids entering Preschool 4s–4th grade in the fall are invited to join us for a MONUMENTAL-ly good time.
- **Compass BLAST Camp:** Mon., June 20–Thurs., June 23. Students entering grades 5–8 will be exploring the adventures of the apostle Paul. Want to help? Contact Pastor Dan at dlee@garychurch.org.
- **Family Camp:** Thurs., July 14–Sun., July 17 at Pine Lake Camp, WI. Grow closer to God and each other through nature, worship and play.

Celebrate Pentecost with altar geraniums: Pentecost is Sun., June 5, and what a sight it will be to see the altar covered with red geraniums in celebration of the church's birthday. Purchase geraniums through garychurch.org. You choose whether you take your plants home after the worship service or if you'd like to donate them to be delivered to people who might need a pick-me-up. Cost: \$10.

Lectionary readings

- **This week's readings:** [Acts 11:1–18](#), [Psalm 148](#), [Revelation 21:1–6](#) and [John 13:31–35](#)
- **Next week's readings:** [Acts 16:9–15](#), [Psalm 67](#), [Revelation 21:10, 22–22:5](#) and [John 14:23–29](#)

Stay Connected to the Mission

It's not too late to give to CROP Hunger Walk: Let's end hunger together. Donate at garychurch.org. For more information, contact Judy Selby through the [Church Office](#).

Educate a Girl 2.0: Find the display in the Commons and sign cards of encouragement for the eight female students that Gary Church currently provides scholarships to. This year, we are continuing our support of this impactful mission and are including a new scholarship for a Chicago college student. Donate at garychurch.org/give.

Help make Gary gardens gorgeous: Anyone can join the Gary Gardeners team, and in the summer there's always something to do. If you can help with weeding, watering, maintaining/updating planters, general landscaping or various short-term projects, contact Barbara Wernicke through the Church Office (office@garychurch.org).

Congratulations to graduates: We want to celebrate graduates of high school, college and vocational school with a listing in a future edition of the *Chimes* newsletter. Please let us know about your graduate at garychurch.org on the registrations page.

Summer musicians: You are invited to bring your unique gifts to lead us in worship this summer. All ages are welcome. We have openings for musicians in June, July and Aug. Contact Jennifer Whiting at jwhiting@garychurch.org to sign up.