



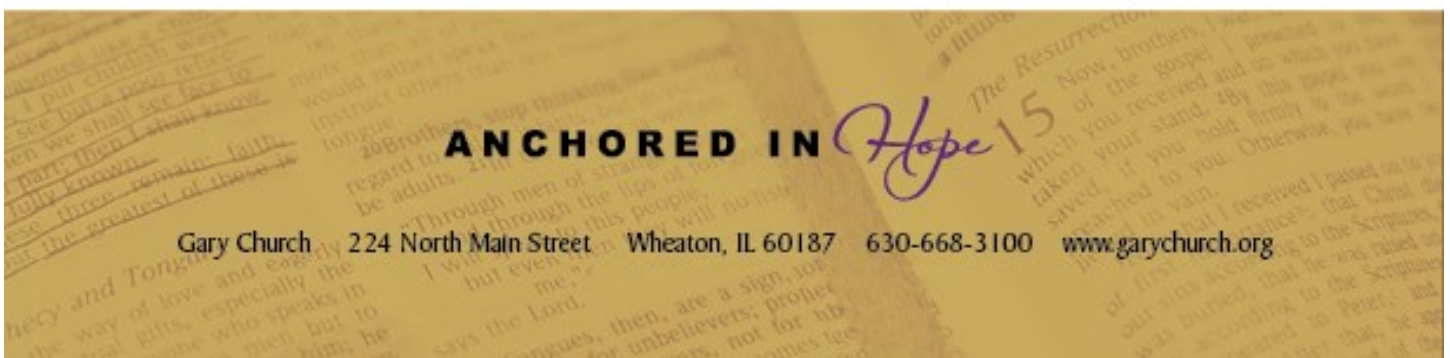
# Gary United Methodist Church

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

September 19, 2021

Prelude	Five Meditations on “All Creatures of Our God and King” Sister Moon   Brother Sun   Mother Earth   All of Tender Heart James Woodman	Kevin Lange, organ
Call to Worship		Rev. Brian Felker Jones
Scripture Lesson	Psalm 98 (NRSV)	Bernard McGuan
Children’s Time		Carey Williams Bebar
Sermon	“For He Has Done Marvelous Things”	Rev. Brian Felker Jones
Pastoral Prayer		Dan Lee
The Lord’s Prayer		
Offertory	I Am His, and He Is Mine tune James Mountain, arr. Dan Forrest	
<i>Please consider making a gift <u>online</u> 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 (224 N. Main St., Wheaton, IL 60187).</i>		
Benediction		
Choir Anthem	Like a Child David Cherwien	Men’s Ensemble <sup>†</sup>
Postlude	Meditation on “All Creatures of Our God and King” Alleluia James Woodman	

<sup>†</sup>Members of Men’s Chorus; Kathy Kane, violin; Kevin Lange, piano; Phil Roberts, director



# Gary Church Announcements

## Stay Connected to the Church Family

### Our sympathy to

Scott & Betsy Boyd on the death of Scott's father, Richard Boyd.

### Congratulations to

Dan & Suzy Wible on the birth of their grandson, Landon Park, on Sept. 11.

**Altar flowers:** Sign up on our [website](#) or contact the [Church Office](#) if you would like to provide flowers on a Sunday morning.

**Sundaes on Sunday today!** We call it "Bring a Friend to Church Sunday." Gary Kids call it "Friend Fest." Whatever you call it, join us after worship to enjoy a sundae together a Special Blend or your Sunday School class.

- **In-Person Worship:** 9 a.m. in the Sanctuary. Livestream and recorded worship is available through our [website](#).
- **Kids' Church:** During 9 a.m. worship, for kids ages Preschool 3s–grade 3.
- **Sunday School:** 9:50 a.m. Check the signs in the Commons for room locations.
- **Special Blend/Worship Talks:** 9:50 a.m. in the Courtyard.

**Grief Matters Support Group:** Wednesdays through Nov. 17, 10–11:30 a.m., in Commons A. We welcome anyone grieving the death or loss of someone to be a part of the new session of this group. Register through our [website](#).

**Women's Bible Study | Breaking the Code:** First and third Wednesdays, 3 p.m., in the Anderson Room. The study will dive into Revelation, using Bruce Metzger's book, *Breaking the Code*. Contact the [Church Office](#) to reserve a copy of the book.

**Men's Bible Study resumes on Zoom:** Tuesdays starting Sept. 21, at 7 p.m. We will explore Dr. Sandra Richter's study, *The Epic of Eden: Isaiah*. Participants will gather on Zoom to watch this 10-week video study and discuss the content. Study guides will be available for \$15 through the Church Office. Contact the [Church Office](#) for the Zoom link.

**Styrofoam Recycling Sunday:** Sept. 26, 8:45–10:15 a.m., South Driveway. Separate rinsed food containers from packaging materials, and volunteers will take them to be recycled. No packing peanuts.

**Anti-Racist Book Club | How to Be an Antiracist:** Wed., Sept. 29, 7 p.m., in Gamon Hall. The Anti-Racist Book Club is returning this fall with Ibram X. Kendi's book, *How to Be an Antiracist*. If you would like to participate in the conversation, purchase the book on your own and register through our [website](#).

**Explore Membership at Gary Church:** Sun., Oct. 3, 10 a.m., in the Commons. If you're considering becoming a member at Gary Church, you're invited to get better acquainted with pastors and staff, learn more about what it means to be United Methodist and about the history of our congregation. Contact Jennifer Castino through the [Church Office](#) to learn more.

**Wedding celebration:** Jack & Lisa Rozwat would like to invite the congregation to come to the wedding ceremony of their daughter, Anne, to Craig Dettmann, on Sat., Oct. 2, at 2 p.m. in Gary's Sanctuary.

### Lectionary readings

- **This week's readings:** [Proverbs 31:10–31, Psalm 1, James 3:13–4:3, 7–8a and Mark 9:30–37](#)
- **Next week's readings:** [Esther 7:1–6, 9–10; 9:20–22, Psalm 124, James 5:13–20 and Mark 9:38–50](#)

## Stay Connected to the Mission

**UMCOR responds:** United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) is responding to the natural disasters of the earthquake in Haiti and the hurricane in Louisiana. For more information visit [umcmmission.org](#). Donations may also be made through [Gary Church](#).

**To help Afghanistan refugees:** If you're looking to help Afghan refugees, check out the following resources: [Church World Service](#), [Amnesty International](#), [International Rescue Committee](#) and [UMCOR](#).

**Winter items needed:** Winfield Community United Methodist Church is collecting hats, scarves, gloves and mittens for local school children who are in need. They can be handmade, store bought or gently used. Bring donations to Gary Church by Fri., Oct. 15.

**Gary Cares funds available:** If you or your family are in need, do not hesitate to reach out to [Pastor Chris](#) or [Pastor Brian](#) regarding our confidential Gary Cares Fund.