Sunday 3rd Movember 2024

Goring United Reformed Church Nelcome

Duty Elder: Val Gill Led by Jode James Communion Service

# **NOTICES**

### ORDER OF SERVICE

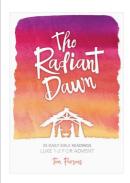
There's a Quiet UnderstandingO Love That Will Not Let Me Go

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Reading 2 Peter

I Stand Amazed in the PresenceIn Christ Alone My Hope Is Found

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# ADVENT DEVOTIONAL READING

After the success of reading together in August, the Elders have asked me to arrange another book to read together for Advent. I have chosen "The Radiant Dawn" by Tom Parsons (see cover, left) as it follows much of the Biblical text that we will be looking at in December.

As advent is a busy time, we will not have additional bible study groups, but instead I will place a few conversation cards on the tables for you to chat about over your Sunday morning coffee.

If you would like a book, please sign up on the sheet at the back of church. The books will cost a maximum of £5, but the more I buy, the cheaper they get, so I will give a definitive price when I know how many I'm buying. As before, please don't let cost

put you off, we can subsidize where necessary. An example book is available to view from the vision desk.

Mary Redman

### CHURCH HANDBOOKS

The updated Church Handbooks/Directories for 2024/25 are now available by the A/V Desk for collection in both large and small versions. Please help yourselves, and safely destroy your old copies. There is no charge for your new copy.

If you have one that is No. 76 or earlier, then it is out of date and ideally should be changed. Did you know the latest directory can always be viewed on our website which is regularly updated?

You can log in or register to see members' pages at the top right hand corner of the screen. Any problems please speak to me.

Graham Redman

### **COFFEE MORNING**

Please note that the next charity coffee morning, Friday 12<sup>th</sup> November, has been cancelled, so in lieu of that at Church Family Breakfast next week the collection box will be out for MAF. Linda Davies

### **BIBLE QUOTE**

"For lack of guidance a nation falls,

but victory is won through many advisers."

Proverbs 11:14 (NIV)



spoke to us last week about the amazing work they do. So let's see if we can raise enough money to buy one or more of the comfort bags that MAF give to the patients they fly to hospital in East Timor. Please remember to bring some cash with you next Sunday. *The Outreach Team* 



# DAILY PRAYERS

Sunday: As we enter a period of remembrance let us give thanks for the tremendous sacrifices made by those who have gone before us. Bless the memories of Your saints, God. May we learn how to walk wisely from their examples of faith, dedication, worship and love.

Monday: Lord, may nothing separate me from You today. Teach me how to choose only Your way today so each step will lead me closer to You.

Tuesday: Pray that all USA citizens voting today in the Presidential Election will do so in a prayerful manner and that the result will be acceptable to You.

Wednesday: Lord, teach us the beauty of resting in You, Teach us what holy rest truly looks like. Beyond just sleep or lounging we know that resting in You forms a peace that goes beyond understanding and provides true refreshment.

Thursday: Surround me with Your love, that I may reflect Your kindness to others and may this be a day of growth and joy.

Friday: When challenges or distractions attempt to dampen my spirit of service, renew my enthusiasm and dedication. Fill me with the understanding that every act of kindness, no matter how small, can be a significant blessing to someone.

Saturday: Lord, grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change, the courage to change the things I can, and the wisdom to know the difference.

#### **FLOWERS**

"It was a lovely surprise to be given the beautiful flowers by Verna on Sunday, thank-you very much."



### FAMILY PRAYERS

Through the week we pray for all of those in our Church Family: This week we particularly pray for: Caroline Hibbs, Barbara Hillman, and Bobby Hitchin



# DIARY & MISC

### **UPCOMING SERVICES**

Sun 10<sup>th</sup> Nov Revd Roger Wood (with Church Breakfast)

Sun 17th Nov Ellie Bunker

Thu 21st Nov Midweek Praise Service Sun 24th Nov Revd John Jennings

### WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK...

Mon 4 <sup>th</sup> Nov	14:00-16:00	Coffee & Cake
Tue 5 <sup>th</sup> Nov	09:30-11:15	Table Tennis
Wed 6 <sup>th</sup> Nov	19:00	Bible Study
Thu 7 <sup>th</sup> Nov	19:00	Elders Meeting
Fri 8 <sup>th</sup> Nov	09:30-11:15	Table Tennis

### ...AND LATER ON

Sun 10 <sup>th</sup> Nov	09:45-10:20	Church Breakfast
Tue 12 <sup>th</sup> Nov	14:00-16:00	Tuesday Fellowship
Sat 16 <sup>th</sup> Nov	15:00	Tearfund Quiz

Sun 24<sup>th</sup> Nov 11:30 Church Meeting (after the Service)

Sat 1<sup>st</sup> Dec 09:30–12:30 Craft Group

Plus: Joint Church Meal being planned for the end of November

### **DEFIB TRAINING**

Thank you to all those who attended the Defib and CPR training on Friday 25<sup>th</sup>. There are some people who were unable to attend and the organiser is happy to run another session but prefers to have a minimum of 12. I will put a list on the table at the back of the church; please add your name if interested, or details of a group who you think might like to join us. *Val Gill* 

### THANK YOU

While I attended the defibrillator training session on Friday 25<sup>th</sup>, although I didn't actually participate in it I was taken ill. I would like to thank Bett, Val G, Matthew and especially Wilma who accompanied me to the hospital and stayed with me until my daughter came. Our Church family is wonderful. Thank you all once again. Love *Val Berry* xxx

## Welcome

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#### FRONT COVER

The front page is a parody of the cover – designed by Richard Bravery – for the wildly successful novel 'The Thursday Murder Club' by Richard Osman