

## **Goring United Reformed Church**

*A Joint Pastorate with Sompting United Reformed Church*



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# **WELCOME**

**Sunday 26th March 2023  
Fifth Sunday in Lent**

**We are here to Worship God  
and proclaim the love of Jesus Christ to all.**

**10.30 am Morning Worship : Rev Andrew Sellwood  
Duty Elder: Mrs Bobby Hitchin**

**If you are visiting us for the first time we do Welcome you  
especially. Please make yourselves known to our 'Welcomers'  
and ask for a leaflet for Newcomers, with details of our church.**



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CHURCH  
St Michael's Rd  
WORTHING**



## **PRAYERS FOR THIS WEEK**

### **SUNDAY**

Lord give me the gift of faith, especially when I am tempted towards unbelief. When obstacles emerge, help me to navigate my way with confidence and trust in you. Amen.

### **MONDAY**

Lord, strengthen me to finish running the race you have set for me. I want to go all the way. Amen.

### **TUESDAY**

Show me how to love you, Lord. Be first, be everything, be my all. Help me to grow in grace, truth and wisdom. Amen.

### **WEDNESDAY**

Lord, take me, accept me, love me as I am. Love me, the mixed-up creature that I am. Love is creative; mould me in your image, for your love brings to birth God's image in me. Amen.

### **THURSDAY**

O God, we thank you for our church buildings, a place where we can feel safe and loved; for worship that has continued through time, for words of scripture and hymns of praise. We open doors to welcome all-comers. We pray that we may hold on tightly to our faith as we sense your presence within us. Amen

### **FRIDAY**

Lord, our saviour and Friend, help us to remember that you are also Creator of the universe, and the whole world is your handiwork. We do pray for our world, Lord, and ask that you guide us to do all we can to bring out the beauty in it. Amen.

### **SATURDAY**

A BLESSING: The blessing of the bird song and the buds on the branches, the strength of the growing seeds and the green of the trees; keep us connected and committed to care for one another and all the earth. Amen.

### **Church Family Prayers:**

Throughout the year we remember in our prayers all those in our Church Family. This week we remember:

Mr & Mrs Roger & Shirley Wilde;      Mrs Isobel Willard

## NOTICES.

### BIBLE STUDY

Our informal Bible Study continues on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> March at 7.00 pm. In church. We shall be looking at Samuel. Please speak to me for more information.

*Jonathan Cooper*

### EASTER EGG OUTREACH



The Outreach Group has organised the sending of Easter Eggs and books to children in the Safe in Sussex refuge and those in Little Fishes. Many thanks to those who have made donations, and contributions can still be made.

*Mary Redman: Outreach Group*

### MARMALADE

Thank you to all who bought jars of Marmalade last Sunday. £12.50 was raised for Christian Aid

*Bett Swierk*

If anyone has nice MUGS at home surplus to requirements – the MUG drawer in the church kitchen is rather depleted.

*Carol Webber*

### NEWS OF RUTH AND MAMY

Ruth and Mamy will be conducting worship on April 2<sup>nd</sup>. Rev Dr Janet Hopewell will be unable to be with us that day.

### TO THINK ON

Golden Rule Day observed by some throughout the world on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> April.

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