

# Goring United Reformed Church



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# WELCOME

We are here to: *Grow closer to God, Support and encourage each other, Share the love of Jesus*

**Sunday 28th July 2024**



**New Here?**

**If you are new to Goring United Reformed Church please pick up a 'New Here?' leaflet from the back of the church or visit our website [gurc.net](http://gurc.net) under 'Publications' on the top Menu.**

**10.30 am Morning Worship: Mrs Rosina Bayley  
Duty Elder: Mrs Caroline Hibbs**

## **TODAY'S HYMNS & READINGS:**

MP 378 Jesus shall take the highest honour

MP 94 Come let us sing

The journey of life (on screen)

MP 624 Take my life and let it be

MP 760 When we walk with the Lord

Reading: Acts 9 v 1-15

**NEXT WEEK:** Sunday 4th August our Morning Service at 10.30am will be led by Mrs Valerie Cooper. This will include Holy Communion. Our Sunday services are recorded to watch later: <https://www.gurc.net>

## **REGULAR DATES FOR THE DIARY (unless otherwise notified):**

*For further dates or details, please refer to our on-line diary: [gurc.net/diary](https://www.gurc.net/diary)  
Please remember to email [diary@gurc.org.uk](mailto:diary@gurc.org.uk) with all additions or changes!!*

**Mini Fishes** – Now on Summer Holidays

**Coffee, Tea & Cake Drop-in & Warm Space** - Mondays 2.00pm Sanctuary

**Senior Table Tennis** -Tuesdays & Fridays 9.30am Main Hall

**Bible Study** – Wednesdays 7.00pm Sanctuary, with Jonathan Cooper

**Art & Craft Club** – 1st Saturday of the month: 3rd August 9.30am Sanctuary

**Tuesday Fellowship** – 2nd Tuesday of the month: 13<sup>th</sup> August in Bobby's garden, weather permitting

**Mid-week Praise** – 3rd Thursday of the month: 15<sup>th</sup> August 7.00pm

**Church Family Breakfast** - 2nd Sunday of the month: 11<sup>th</sup> August from 9.45am

**Church Meeting** - Last Thursday of the month: 7.30pm Sanctuary

- EXCEPT AUGUST

## **CHURCH FAMILY PRAYERS**

Through the year we remember in prayer all those in our Church Family:

Miss Donna Potter, Mrs Kay Pritchard, Mr Geoffrey Redman

Please continue to pray for the future of our church as we move forward to the next phase of finding a new minister (outlined at Church Meeting)

## **DAILY PRAYERS** *(based on my experiences in the last week)*

**Sunday:** Give Thanks for the gift of guest speakers and GURC lay preachers who give up their time to bring us a new look at God's word each week. Pray that we may be encouraged and grow together in the Lord with them.

**Monday:** Give Thanks for the gift of peace and confidence in a positive outcome in any situation we find ourselves in. 'May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit'.

**Tuesday:** Give Thanks for the gift of understanding employers, and others in authority in our lives, who lend their support when things get stressful and overwhelming.

**Wednesday:** Give Thanks for the gift of friendly helpers who come to our aid just when we need it, and don't leave us to make do on our own. Pray that they may feel God's blessing on their lives too.

**Thursday:** Give Thanks for the gift of prayer and the seemingly impossible things that can be achieved because of it. 'Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever!'

**Friday:** Give Thanks for the gift of sleep to restore our bodies, minds and spirits from the events of each day, to enable us to face each morning with new energy.

**Saturday:** As we go into yet another new month, thank God for his constant provision of everything that we need – if not always everything we want – in our lives. 'Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they?'

## NOTICES

The editor is pleased to report that Val Cooper and Val Berry have been duly re-elected as Serving Elders for another term, with overwhelming support from Church Meeting voters. The church also thank the outgoing Elders for all their support and hard work over a very difficult period.

*Peggy* has asked that anyone who would like some lavender from the church garden, to cut and take some from the BIG lavender bush this week, as it will be coming out next weekend or soon after.

As August and the start of our daily James Devotional approaches, please be aware that according to which activities you said you were interested in when signing up, you will be informed about the details. You may even have already had emails about it. For those who have not, do remember to start on your own readings on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> August whenever suits you. The Whatsapp group will be available then to comment on your thoughts on the day's readings – please keep on topic. Please note the first Wednesday evening Bible study will be on 7<sup>th</sup> August at 7pm with Jonathan, and Hilary will be in touch to arrange the day and time of the group at her home. The Elders are really looking forward to this opportunity to delve into the Bible together, and hope you all enjoy the experience. If you have any further questions, please direct them to Mary.

There will be a leaflet about our 'Church on the Corner' going in the Welcome Pack for the new residents of the new Elizabeth Square estate on Barrington Road. This will include information about services and activities happening in the church. Please pray that it will have good reception among the people who move in there over the next months.

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