# **Goring United Reformed Church**

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# WELCOME

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# **Sunday 22nd September 2024**

10.30am Morning Worship: Ms Tina Twaites
Duty Elder: Mr Matthew Smith

Sunday 29th 10.30am service (Harvest) will be led by Mr Tom Hackett.

Our Sunday services are recorded to watch later: https://www.gurc.net

### New Here?

Please pick up a 'New Here?' leaflet from the back of the church or visit our website www.gurc.net under 'Publications' on the top Menu.

Please email any contributions for Welcome to: welcome@gurc.org.uk
The editor for September 2024 will be Barbara Hillman

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## TODAY'S SERVICE: Hymns and readings shown on our screens

MP16 All my hope on God is founded MP51 Be though my vision MP254 I am a new creation MP153 For the Fruits of his Creation MP327 Immortal, Invisible, God only Wise

James 3:13 – 4:3, 7-8a

Mark 9: 30-37

## PRAYERS FOR OUR CHURCH FAMILY this week we remember:

Mrs Isobel Willard, Mr & Mrs Giles & Rita Wilson and Mrs Denise Woods

#### DAILY PRAYERS

**Sunday:** My mouth will speak in praise of the Lord. Let every creature praise his holy name forever and ever!

**Monday**: We pray for the visitors at the Drop-in centre today, and at all the other such warm/safe spaces provided, that they may find peace and rest.

Tuesday: We pray for the people in Portugal, where wildfires are still spread across the region - that they may be kept safe and well.

Wednesday: The whole earth is filled with awe at your wonders; where morning dawns, where evening fades, you call forth songs of joy

**Thursday:** Help us today to really be aware of how blessed we are, in all the little things we have and do each day, each week, each month

**Friday:** We thank you for the swift and smooth recovery of those in our community recently. We pray for those others who are still suffering or awaiting treatment, that they may also soon have the answers they need.

**Saturday:** We thank you that you do not let us go hungry - that the harvest of crops at this time of year will be sufficient for all to have their share. Bless the work of the food banks and charities helping those in need.

**REGULAR DATES FOR THE DIARY** More details can be found on-line at: www.gurc.net/diary, and please email any changes to diary@gurc.org.uk

Mini Fishes – Mondays 9.30am Main Hall in Term-time

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

Bible Study – Wednesdays 7.00pm Sanctuary, with Jonathan Cooper

Art & Craft Club – 1st Saturday of the month: 9.30am Sanctuary

Tuesday Fellowship – 2nd Tuesday of the month: 2.15pm Cornwall Room

Mid-week Praise – 3rd Thursday of the month: 7.00pm Sanctuary

Church Family Breakfast - back on 13th October 9.45am

Church Meeting - Last Thursday of the month: 26th September 7.30pm

Sanctuary

### CHURCH NOTICES

Advance notice - Barn Dance at GURC October 19th - more details to follow!

Margaret Butcher says thank you very much for the flowers!

The Rowland Singers are putting on a concert at Emmanuel on 28th September at 4p.m. in aid of much needed church funds. In case there of any who haven't heard yet I thought I would let you know. I am not able to be there but it is bound to be a lovely concert knowing their standards of singing. Tickets can be bought on the door. Best wishes, Ellie Bunker

Worthing Bible Society invites us to hear music by 'Harvest Home' and a ploughman's supper supporting Bible lands work in Gaza and Israel. Saturday 28 Sept. 7 pm. Tickets £10; at St Stephen's Church, 37 Angola Rd, BN14 8DU Tickets from Eileen Rhodes 248263.

HARVEST FESTIVAL 29th September

I am planning to place an arrangement of flowers in the sanctuary on Sunday. If anyone wishes to contribute towards this, Matthew (treasurer) or myself would be pleased to receive a donation. Don't forget there is a flower list in the vestibule available to sign & if you want me to purchase & arrange the flowers one week just ask! Thanks, Carol Webber 07806471025

We will be having a Gift Day offering –Gift Day envelopes are available in the church and from Matthew. The agreed target is £5,000 – some £2,000 more than we achieved on our last Gift Day. Please commit this matter to prayer – we trust that the Lord will bless this event and your prayerful response.

Donations in support of Safe in Sussex, will also be gratefully received. Requested items are A5 notebook/journal - Pritt stick - Nice pens - Tea - Hot chocolate - Adult colouring books - Nice colouring pens - Insulated, lidded coffee cups - Liquid handsoap - New bedding sets (single bed for children or adults) - New towels - Vouchers for argos/boots/amazon - New single fitted sheets - Mattress and pillow protectors (single sizes) - If you are not able to get your own gifts, then a monetary donation instead would be appreciated.

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The table tennis group are looking for leaders to help keep it running. It's possible we have one leader signed up, but a minimum of 2 leaders are needed for church groups, so we are looking for at least one other person to help lead this group. Application forms are available at the back of church, on the board by the coffee trolley. Please ask Mary if you have any questions.

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Thank you to all who took part in the James Bible Study over August. I have heard some people comment that they have enjoyed it and have been challenged by it. To help us evaluate how it has gone, I have put a simple form at the back of church. Could I ask you please to fill one in and pop it in the red letterbox. You can add your name or be totally anonymous, I would just like to gather people's thoughts before we do it again. Thank you, Mary

Mary is looking into the possibility of having a First Aid trainer come to church and train some of us in Emergency First Aid. If we get at least 5 people then we will be able to do this at church, rather than having to travel elsewhere. The course is run over a whole day (the day is TBC). The cost of the course should be no more than £100 and will get cheaper if more people attend. If, however, you are willing to use your newly acquired skills at church (maybe as official First Aider in a group, at an event, or for a Sunday morning service) then we would cover the cost of the course for you. As an official First Aider, you would need a refresher course every 3 years to remain certified. At the moment she is looking to gauge how many people are interested. If you would like to take this course, please email Mary. This is not a commitment at this stage, just an expression of interest. Thank you.