Goring United Reformed Church





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WELCOME

Sunday 18th August 2024

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

10.30 am Morning Worship: Mr Wilfred Rhodes.

Duty Elder: Mrs Boby Hitchin.

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



GLIDE MEMORIAL METHODIST CHURCH

HYMNS & READINGS FOR TODAY: Faith and Fruits.

MP 257 I am not skilled to understand

R&S 474 Brother, sister, let me serve you

Reading James 2 V. 14 – 24, 26

MP 153 For the fruits of His creation

Be still my soul [to the tune Finlandia]

R&S 654 We turn to you O God of every nation.

FUTURE SERVICES

August 25 Maureen Clarke of Sompting URC

September 1 Mary Redman [consolidating James] and Holy Communion with Wilfred Rhodes.

September 8 Rev George Butterworth

MINI FISHES – Baby & Toddlers Group ON SUMMER HOLIDAYS COFFEE & CAKE drop-in afternoon – Mondays 2.00 pm – 4 pm. TUESDAY FELLOWSHIP – Meets 2nd Tuesday of each month next meeting September 10th speaker:

Iryna Tyazhkorob from Ukrain

TABLE TENNIS Tuesdays & Fridays 9.30 am -11.15 Main Hall Tempoarily suspended.

ART & CRAFT CLUB 1st Saturday in the month: 9.30 -12.30 a.m next meeting 7th September in Church

JAMES BIBLE STUDY Weekly on Mondays at 10.00 am and Wednesdays at 7.00 pm in Church. During August.

MIDWEEK PRAISE SERVICE Monthly on 3rd Thursday

AND ALSO:-

Sunday 8 September Church Breakfast Friday 13 September Coffee Morning Thursday 26 September Church Meeting

Saturday 19 October Barn Dance

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

PRAYERS THIS WEEK are guided by JAMES. SUNDAY

Jesus said "My Grace is sufficeient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness". Father thank you for the gift of your Grace. Help me to remember that it is OK to be weak, because when I am, I'm more reliant on you than ever.

MONDAY

Lord, keep me from being swept along with the world's distorted view of the good life. Instead may I make every effort to 'trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him and he will make your paths straight. (Proverbs 3:5-6)

TUESDAY

Grant me the wisdom to live in peace and be at peace with all those I meet today. Guard my tongue and thoughts in all I think and do and say.

WEDNESDAY

Lord, we pray for the places in this country and in the world where there is discord – let there be peace on earth and let it begin with me.

THURSDAY

Today, Lord, we pray for the members of our family, the members of our church, those we meet day by day where ever we are, on bus, train, or in hospital waiting room.

FRIDAY

Lord, you have already planned the answers to the problems I have, may your peace wash over me, and help me to rest in that peace today.

SATURDAY

Thank you, Lord, for the blessigs of nature, and the oneness of you that I feel when I'm in it – the sound of the waves splashing on the shore, the wind flowing through the trees, the colours and shapes of the flowers in my garden, the happiness of the bird song. In the beauty of your presence I pray.

AMEN

Church Family Prayers:

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

Christina Shearer; Wilma & Matthew Smith and their Family.

NOTICES.

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

AUGUST DEVOTIONAL:STUDY OF JAMES' LETTER.

We are three weeks into our study of James. With two groups meeting; one on Moday mornings and one on Wednesday evenings there is room for everyone! Our Sunday Services will draw on this and help us to think about what we are reading. There is still an opportunity to join discussion groups, either in person or on WhatsApp. It's not necessary to take part in everything, but we hope we will all come together. We are really looking forward to this opportunity to delve into the Bible together.

The Elders

GRASS!

The Church is very grateful to Paul Redman for the wonderful job he made of mowing our lawns. It's hard work keeping our garden and 'surrounds' neat and tidy.

FIRST AID.

To the whole church: I am looking into the possibility of having a First Aid trainer come to church and train some of us in EMERGENCY FIRST AID. If we have at least 5 people then we would be able to do this at church. The course is run for a whole day. The necessary costs, if for official first aiders, would be covered by the church. Official First Aiders need a refresher course every 3 years to remain 'certified'. At the moment I wish to gauge how many people are interested. If you are, please e-mail me. This is not commitment at the moment

Mary Redman: Safeguarding Deputy.

FLOWERS have been gratefully received by Christina after her accident in Table Tennis; and by Eileen, who sends her thanks for the comfort of the flowers she was given last Sunday, the morning, her cousin Angela went to be with her Lord.

Contributions for **Welcome**: E-mail: welcome@gurc.org.uk
 Editor for August: Wilf Rhodes rest of August
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