

Goring United Reformed Church



A Joint Pastorate with Sompting United Reformed Church



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WELCOME

We are here to worship God and proclaim
the love of Jesus Christ to all

Sunday 12th February 2023

New Here?

If you are new here to Goring United Reformed Church, please pick up a New Here? leaflet from the back of the church, or visit our website gurc.net under 'Publications' on the top Menu.

Ask a member of the Welcome Team if you need help

10.30 am Morning Worship: Rev Andrew Sellwood
Duty Elder: Wilf Rhodes

TODAY'S HYMNS & READINGS:

564 Praise to the Lord 836 Great is the darkness
570 Reign in me x2 579 Restore O Lord
1267 Come people of the risen king

Deuteronomy 30:15-20 1 Corinthians 3:1-9

NEXT WEEK: our Morning Service at 10.30am will be conducted by Rev Kenneth Lynch. All our Sunday services are recorded for later viewing: <https://www.gurc.net>

REGULAR DATES FOR THE DIARY:

For further dates, please refer to our on-line diary: [gurc.net/diary](https://www.gurc.net/diary)

Mini Fishes – THIS WEEK IS HALF-TERM, so NOT open this week only
Warm Space Coffee, Tea & Cake Drop-in – Mondays 2.00pm Sanctuary
Senior Table Tennis – Tuesdays & Fridays 9.30am Main Hall
Art & Craft Club – First Saturday of the month 9.30am Sanctuary

Tuesday Fellowship - Tuesday 14th Feb 2.00pm 'Beetle' Games
Midweek Praise Service - Thursday 16th Feb 7.00pm Sanctuary

CHANGES AND ADDITIONS TO CHURCH DIARY DATES. Please remember to send an email to diary@gurc.org.uk for all additions or changes to dates in the church calendar. Many dates are still slipping through the net and not appearing on our diary.

DAILY PRAYERS

Sunday: If I speak in the tongues of men or of angels, but do not have love, I am only a resounding gong... If I have the gift of prophecy and can fathom all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have a faith that can move mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing.

Monday: Father God, we pray for all the people suffering in Turkey and Syria after the earthquake last week. The survivors, families of those lost, and the search helpers and those giving other aid.

Tuesday: Father God, we think of the staff of all the services in the UK who see no option in their situation than to take strike action this year. We also pray for those in the public affected by the lack of such services on those days.

Wednesday: Father God, we pray for the severe power shortages continuing in S. Africa, with people having electricity cuts for 78% of last year, and blackouts lasting for up to 15 hours a day this year.

Thursday: Father God, we pray for the people in the Ukraine and Russia, still suffering in the ongoing war between them. We pray for peace and reconciliation to rebuild the land and communities.

Friday: Over the mountains and the sea, your river runs with love for me; I will open up my heart and let the Healer set me free. I'm happy to be in the truth, I will daily lift my hands - For I will always sing of when your love came down!

Saturday: Father God, we pray for those in our church family who for various reasons are no longer able to come and join us regularly for worship - having moved away, working shifts or loss of mobility.

CHURCH FAMILY PRAYERS

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

Mr Paul & Mrs Mary Redman, Chloe & Nathan Redman

We are also asked to remember Edna Nicholas who attended GURC, and is now sadly, but peacefully, in end-of-life care in hospital. Her son has advised she only has limited time left. We pray for her and her family at this time.

Remember Daphne Eames this week too as she goes in for surgery on Tuesday, we pray for God's peace in her heart and healing over her recovery.

NOTICES

'Many Thanks for the lovely flowers brought to us, brightened up our day'
from Anita and Malcolm

Anyone needing help with setting up the new MyChurchSuite App on your devices then please see Ryan or Mary. Invitations are currently going out on email, so if you don't get one, do check your 'spam' as well as your inbox.

DEC have launched a crisis appeal for Turkey/Syria following the devastating earthquake there. As a Church we always seek to support DEC appeals, which are made only in the most exceptional circumstances.

An opportunity will therefore be provided for you to contribute through the collection plate on each Sunday from 12th to 26th February inclusive. Please place your donations in an envelope marked "DEC Earthquake Appeal". If you are not attending Church at this time, please consider sending your donations to me by post or Bank transfer. Thank you, *Matthew Smith, Treasurer*

The 2023 World Day of Prayer service will take place 2.30pm Friday 3rd March at St Michael's RC, Hayling Rise. All welcome! There is plenty of car parking and it's on a bus route. There will be refreshments provided after the service. This year's theme is "I have heard about your faith" (Ephesians 1:15-19) and has been produced by Christian women in Taiwan.

(If the promise of refreshments isn't enough to lure you in, perhaps I can tempt you with the information that the hymns include "In Christ Alone" and "The Day Thou Gavest"). For more information, please talk to *Susie Thomas*.

The next GLAD meal is at the Toby Carvery on Wednesday 8th March. All ladies welcome, please add your name to the list at the back of the church or on the MyChurchSuite App if you are using it.

Contributions for **Welcome**: E-mail: welcome@gurc.org.uk

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