## **Goring United Reformed Church**





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# WELCOME

Sunday 9th February 2025

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

10.30 a.m. Morning Worship: Mrs Rosina Bayley Duty Elder: Mrs Valerie Berry

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.



U.R.C STOWMARKET SUFFOLK

## **HYMNS & READINGS**

MP 564 Praise to the Lord Readings 1 Kings 3: 5 – 12

Romans 8: 26 - 39

Matthew 13: 31 - 33; 44 - 52

MP 241 Holy Sprit we welcome you.

MP 502 O let the Son of God enfold you

MP 796 You shall go out with Joy

## **FUTURE SERVICES**

February 16 Bible Society Sunday with Mrs Mary Stewart and Wilfred Rhodes.

February 23 Rev Sean Carter from Durrington Free Church March 2 Rev George Butterworth with Holy Communion

MINI FISHES – Baby & Toddlers Group Mondays 9.30 am COFFEE & CAKE drop-in afternoon – Mondays 2.00 pm – 4 pm. In the Church

TUESDAY FELLOWSHIP – Meets 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month next meeting February 11<sup>th</sup> Speaker is Mrs Sylvia Parkington

TABLE TENNIS Tuesdays and Fridays 9.30 am -11.15 Main Hall

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

BIBLE STUDY Weekly on Wednesdays at 7.00 pm in Church.

#### FOR INFORMATION

From Rabbi Laura Janner-Klausner, Rabbi of Bromley Synagogue: One fifth – 20% - of the citizens of Israel are Israeli Palestinian citizens who are a mixture of Muslim and Christian.

Wilf Rhodes

LOOKING FOR CHURCH MEETING MINUTES

For the period 2011 to 2017. If you have any, please let me know.

Graham Redman

## ARTIFICIAL FLOWERS

If you have pretty flowers that you could loan or give to the church please let me know.

Peggy Mott.

#### PRAYERS FOR THIS WEEK

#### SUNDAY

Thank you, Lord, for your beautiful grace that includes and welcomes me. May I rest in your goodness. AMEN

## MONDAY

Lord, help me to follow you, where ever you lead today. I intentionally, deliberately, make myself available to you. AMEN **TUESDAY** 

Lord, help me to be ready to travel with you now, in this season of my life.

AMEN

#### WEDNESDAY

Today Lord, I choose: I will not walk through these hours alone, but with you. Lead me Heavenly Father, speak to me, and just be with me.

AMEN

#### THURSDAY

Loving Father, may I be a blessing even as I am blessed. May this church, of which I am part, be a blessing, even as we are blessed.

AMEN

#### FRIDAY

Lord, help me to be faithful in serving you, even when I least feel like it. May my life offer you my praise and glory both today and always.

AMEN

## SATURDAY

Save me from the deception of selfishness, O Lord. Help me to look to the interests of others, and not just my own.

AMEN

## Church Family Prayers:

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

Rita Roberts; Wilma & Matthew Smith and their family; Anita & Malcolm Strudwick.

## NOTICES

#### EASTER CRUISE

We have lined up an Easter Cruise (in our imagination) sailing near the Holy Land. We will be embarking at 10.30 am each day from Goring URC, arrivals from 10.15 am, and mooring at the end of the day at 2.30 pm. We sail from Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> to Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> April. Each day will include a 3-course lunch with cake! And unlimited tea, coffee and squash. There will be plenty of activities – craft, games and puzzles. There will be a quiet area where you can sit and read the paper. We shall also have a short Bible talk. If you have any questions please contact Mary Redman [692218] or Val Gill [07752 253698] Please book your place by completing the registration form available at the back of the church, and hand, with the cost of £5 per day, to: Mary, Val B, Val C, Val G, or Rosina or Ryan; or post to Mary Redman 11, Craddock Place, Worthing BN13 2QA. Cost includes Lunch. Please book by 25<sup>th</sup> March.

Travel for any or all of the three days.

The Elders

#### LENT STUDY

The Elders are encouraging us all to read the daily devotions "from Glory into Glory" by Tom Parsons. Bible Study sessions will be held for us to discuss our thoughts on the book, and focus on Lent. Lent starts after Ash Wednesday, 5<sup>th</sup> March. If you would like to join in reading the book and/or a study group, please sign up on the sheet at the back of the church. Cost of the book: £3.50 - £6 according to the number we purchase.

## **WORLD DAY OF PRAYER 2025**

The service for the World Day of Prayer in our area will be held at St Richard's Church (Collingwood Rd) on 7th March at 10.30 am. It's a short service with refreshments afterwards and all are welcome! The Theme from the Christian women in the Cook Islands is: "I praise you for I am fearfully and wonderfully made" (Psalm 139). There is also another service that day at All Saints Church, Findon Valley at 2.30 pm.

Susie Thomas

TUESDAY FELLOWSHIP meets on 11th February, and the speaker will be Mrs Sylvia Parkington

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