

Goring United Reformed Church

A Joint Pastorate with Sompting United Reformed Church



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WELCOME

Sunday 19th November 2023

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

**10.30 am Morning Worship : Ms Maureen Clarke.
Duty Elder: Mrs Eileen Rhodes.**

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



AUTUMN LEAVES

SUNDAY SERVICE THIS WEEK:

Hymns: MP 799 All I once held dear

MP 729 We have come into this house

Beauty for Brokenness

Reading Proverbs 31 v. 1 – 8

Hymn May this place be of one nurture – To be
read by our Preacher.

Reading Matthew 25 v. 14 – 30

Hymn MP 1201 Longing for light.

FUTURE SERVICES

November 26 Rev Dr Janet Hopewell

December 3 The Elders:- 1st Sunday in Advent

10 The Elders:- 2nd Sunday in Advent

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MINI FISHES – Baby & Toddlers Group: Mondays 9.30 – 11.15 am

COFFEE & CAKE drop-in afternoon – Mondays 2.00 pm – 4 pm.

TUESDAY FELLOWSHIP – Meets 2nd Tuesday of each month
next meeting: December 12

TABLE TENNIS Tuesdays & Fridays 9.30 am -11.15

ART & CRAFT CLUB 1st Saturday in the month : 9.30 -12.30 a.m
next meeting December 2nd

BIBLE STUDY Weekly on Wednesdays 7.00 pm in Church.

MIDWEEK PRAISE SERVICE Monthly on 3rd Thursday

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TERRACYCLE The confectionery scheme is ending soon, please make sure any chocolate or sweet wrappers are in the gold bin by 19th Nov. so that I can get them to Worthing Boys Club in time. After that check the packaging for where your wrappers can be recycled. Most will be with carrier bags in large supermarkets.

SAFE IN SUSSEX We would like to be able to send Christmas presents to the women and children in this Refuge again. Please see the board at back of the church for details. Take a gift tag and return to church by 3rd Dec. **unwrapped**. As always if you find it difficult to shop please let me know and I can buy on your behalf. Please note I would need to know by 26th November. Thank you!

Mary Redman – Outreach Group.

PRAYERS FOR THIS WEEK OF REMEMBRANCE.

SUNDAY

Lord I thank you for the privilege of being part of the family of God. Help me to give priority to being with my family and my church family, to gather and pray around you.

MONDAY

Lord, you know the way I take, even when I don't stay close, as I navigate the valley. I pray you will keep my heart free from fear.

TUESDAY

I offer myself to you, Lord; all I am, have, and think are yours. Work in me as I submit myself gladly to you. Amen.

WEDNESDAY

Today, Lord Jesus, I delight in the truth that I am yours and you are mine. You are the Light, the Truth, the Way. You are my Saviour this very day.

THURSDAY

When life gets complicated or brings the unexpected, grant me the grace to shun worry, dear Father God. Amen.

FRIDAY

Holy Spirit teach me to 'walk around' with you today. Thank you for your nearness by day and by night.

SATURDAY

May I be an influence for good and for your Kingdom today, Father God. May my life point to you and reflect your great love. Amen.

LORD HEAR OUR PRAYERS AND MAY OUR CRIES COME TO YOU. In Jesus' name we pray, AMEN

Church Family Prayers:

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

Mary and Paul Redman, Chloe and Nathan;

Hilary and Graham Redman.

NOTICES.

Church Pastoral Aid Society (CPAS)

MINISTRY AMONG WOMEN

Next Friday 24th November: Offington Park Methodist Church, South Farm Rd., BN14 7TN 9 am to 9.30 am Registration is £7 includes drinks. Bring your own packed lunch. Meeting ends 2.30 pm. A time of worship & fellowship with speaker Sheila Leech, a former missionary nurse, who helped set up community health and development projects all over the world.

Further information and application forms from Eileen Rhodes.

01903 248263 See notice board in church.

KESTRO Invite you to join them on Friday Nov. 24th to hear the Ferring Community Choir sing in our Main Hall at 3.00 pm. Then the Offington Bells are ringing in the Club on Friday 8th December between 2.30 & 3.00 pm. Do come!

Carol Webber

NOTE:A CHANGE TO OUR MISSION STATEMENT, AS DISCUSSED BY THE ELDERS AND AGREED BY CHURCH MEETING**
SHOEBOXES

Ten Shoeboxes were filled with the donations throughout the year. An additional five shoeboxes were received from two individual church members. My thanks to those who have supported this worthy cause.

Bett Swierk

CHRISTMAS DECORATION

I am looking for Nativity figures that I might use in dressing our church windows. They should be more than 6 inches tall. If you are able to lend some please let me have them as soon as possible. Thank you.

Peggy Mott

Ruth Covey, Bett Swierk and Rosina Bayley all send thanks to the church for flowers delivered by Jill and Hilary. They were an unexpected surprise and much appreciated.

FLOWER ROOM: would church flower arrangers and distributors please return empty vases to the cupboards under the work-top.

Carol Webber

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