

# Goring United Reformed Church

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# WELCOME

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

## Sunday 8th March 2026

Third Sunday of Lent



**Morning Worship:** Rev. Clive Langton  
**Duty Elder:** Mr Wilf Rhodes

**NEXT WEEK:**

Sunday 15th March 10.30am service will be led by Mrs Jode James.

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

MP 631 Tell out my soul, the greatness of the Lord!

MP 50 Be still, for the presence of the Lord      Revelation 5:9-14

MP 379 Jesus shall reign where'er the sun      Exodus 15:1-3

MP 600 Sing to God new songs of worship

We regret due to technical issues, our Sunday services on 15<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> March will NOT be recorded as usual.

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

Mrs Rita Roberts, Mrs Christina Shearer, and Mr Matthew & Mrs Wilma Smith

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**DAILY PRAYERS** *inspired by the World Day of Prayer 2026 (from Nigeria)*

**8 Sunday:** Lord, you are my God; I will exalt you and praise your name, for in perfect faithfulness you have done wonderful things, things planned long ago.

**9 Monday:** We remember the people Nigeria, who are living with incredible hardships and suffering, we can only imagine. Pray for the young people and children trying their best at learning to make a better future.

**10 Tuesday:** We remember the families of those killed in the continuing violence across Nigeria, for the widows who are often left on the edge of society, fending for themselves and their children will little help.

**11 Wednesday:** Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safely live. Let us build a house where hands will reach beyond the wood and stone to heal and strengthen, serve and teach.

**12 Thursday:** Pray today for the Christians living in fear for their safety in areas under persecution from radical Islamic groups, where over the years thousands have been killed or kidnapped, among them many children.

**13 Friday:** Despite Nigeria's wealth of resources and manpower, large numbers of people live in poverty, suffering unemployment and ill-health. Pray that the government will keep working to improve the life conditions of the whole population.

**14 Saturday:** Jesus shall reign where'er the sun does its successive journeys run, his kingdom stretch from shore to shore, till moons shall wax and wane no more. Blessings abound where'er he reigns: the prisoners leap to lose their chains, the weary find eternal rest, and all who suffer want are blest.

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Please remember to add your prayers to our On-Line prayer book' Use the Prayer Request Form in the Members Area.

We also have a Prayer board at the back of the Sanctuary by the Refreshments area, where you can add any prayer requests you have.

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**REGULAR DATES FOR THE DIARY** *More details can be found on-line at:*  
[www.gurc.net/diary](http://www.gurc.net/diary)

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

**Bible Study Group** Wednesdays 7.00pm with Jonathan Cooper\*

**Church Family Breakfast** 2nd Sunday of the month: from 9.45am

**Church Meeting** Currently monthly: Saturday 28th March 10.00am

**Coffee & Cake Drop-in** Mondays 2.00pm: Cornwall Rm

**Mid-week Praise** included in the Bible Study Group on the 3rd Week

**Mini Fishes** Mondays 9.30am in School term-time only: Main Hall

**Senior Table Tennis** Tuesdays & Fridays 9.30am: Main Hall

**Tuesday Fellowship** 2nd Tuesday of the month 2.15pm: Cornwall Rm\*

## NOTICES

Please note that due to the Sanctuary closure, the Wednesday BIBLE STUDY\* is planned to be held at Val Berry's house this week. Please see Val for address and/or directions if needed.

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TUESDAY FELLOWSHIP 10th March 2.15 pm.

Today please bring along one or two of Your Favourite Things to talk about. There will be time for everyone to speak! *Wilf Rhodes*

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Please also note that from tomorrow morning 9th March the Sanctuary will be **completely closed** through until Church Meeting on Saturday 28th March. During that time the organ tuners, painters and decorators and glaziers will be working. Therefore our Sunday morning services for 15th and 22nd March will be held in the main hall. These two services will not be available online. Thank you *Graham Redman*

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We would like to decorate the church with flowers to celebrate Easter Sunday. If you would like to bring a bunch of flowers on the Sunday morning we will have vases ready to be filled and displayed. *Thank you*

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Update on young Lucy: she has completed the first week of her rehab programme at Phoenix Children's Hospital (PCH), working very hard "Smashing It Girlfriend!" as they like to say. Lucy is leaving a bit of her legacy behind at PCH. They have got her painting (*front cover*) to put on their wall. This picture is very special to the family, as it shows her left hand's motor function has not been affected after her high risk surgery. A big thank you to Goring URC for our successful quiz held.

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Advance notice of an 'Eco Church Prayer Forum' via Zoom on 19th March. More details in next week's Welcome, or see Paul Redman.

*Please email any contributions for Welcome to: [welcome@gurc.net](mailto:welcome@gurc.net)  
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