



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 19th February 2023

Last Sunday before LENT

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 Kenneth Lynch
Duty Elder: Rosemary Terry

TODAY'S HYMNS & READINGS:

R&S 489 Be thou my vision

R&S 64 I lift my eyes to the quiet hills

R&S 203 How good Lord to be here

R&S 354 Come living God, when least expected

R&S 569 We pause to give thanks

Exodus 24: 12-18

Matthew 17: 1-9

NEXT WEEK: our Morning Service at 10.30am will be conducted by Mrs Rosina Bayley. 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 – Mondays 9.30am Main Hall/Cornwall Room

Coffee, Tea & Cake Drop-in & Warm Space – Mondays 2.00pm
Sanctuary

Senior Table Tennis – Tuesdays & Fridays 9.30am Main Hall

Tuesday Fellowship - Next Tuesday 28th February 2.15pm

Art & Craft Club – First Saturday of the month 9.30am 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.

COMING UP:

2023 World Day of Prayer - Friday 3rd March 2.30pm at St Michael's

GLAD meal - Wednesday 8th March at the Toby Carvery, Goring

DAILY PRAYERS

Sunday: We rejoice today in the coming Spring, as in places the bulbs are coming out, and the birds start singing. We pray for those who have most problems coping in the darker winter months.

Monday: We pray today for the devolved government and people of Scotland at this time of uncertainty as they look for a new First Minister. We pray for your guidance on the right person to be found.

Tuesday: We pray today for the areas in the world currently having to deal with a range of 'natural disasters' - Whether wildfires in Chile, severe storm flooding in New Zealand or the continuing issues in Turkey & Syria after the earthquake there.

Wednesday: Joshua 1:9 Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go.

Thursday: We think today of the people surviving on the streets of Worthing and the charities supporting them and providing shelter. May the Lord's Grace fill them with wisdom and strength.

Friday: We thank you today for the range of cultural and educational institutions in this country, such as all the free-entry museums. We pray for the continued funding to keep these available.

Saturday: High King of heaven, my victory won; May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's sun. Heart of my own heart, whatever befall - Still be my vision, O ruler of all!

CHURCH FAMILY PRAYERS

Throughout the year we remember in our prayers all those in our Church Family: Rev Andrew & Mrs Jill Sellwood, Mrs Christina Shearer

NOTICES

Bill Marshall says "Thank you for the recent flowers, they are still blooming nicely on his windowsill!"

Joan Jenkin would like to thank Rosemary for the beautiful flowers she delivered to her last week. They were very much appreciated.

A new prayer book is now available in the Dean Library (East Transept). You are welcome to write your prayers here, and join with others who are sharing their prayers.

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 up 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 by 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"). If you'd like more information, please talk to *Susie Thomas*.

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

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