

# **Goring United Reformed Church**

*A Joint Pastorate with Sompting United Reformed Church*



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# **WELCOME**

**Sunday 23rd July 2023**

**We are here to Worship God  
and proclaim the love of Jesus Christ to all.**

**10.30 am Morning Worship : Rev. David Hill  
Duty Elder: Mrs Rosemary Terry**

**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.**



**THE SOUTH  
DOWNS**

**PRAYERS FOR THIS WEEK**      **Our prayers this week include**  
**Charities supported by our church.**

**SUNDAY**

Lord, we thank you for this new day. Jesus, be Lord of my life today. I offer my whole self to you in the service of the kingdom. May I be an instrument of love and healing to all I meet.

**MONDAY**

Give thanks for Open the Book storytelling in schools across this country and now spreading to countries in Africa and South America. We pray for the three Open the Book teams in Worthing, going into five schools.

**TUESDAY**

We pray for the work of Mission Aviation Fellowship [MAF] for pilots, technicians and administrative staff at home, and in the countries served by MAF. We thank you for the people in need and the goods (eg. Bibles) that they are able to transport, avoiding difficult journeys by road.

**WEDNESDAY**

Let us thank God for the wonderful opportunities the Bible Society has been given to help others encounter Jesus through the Bible. We give thanks that in 2022 Bible translations in 81 languages were completed globally.

**THURSDAY**

We thank God for Bible translators. Particularly we pray for our friends Ruth and Mamy, working for Wycliffe Bible Translators.

**FRIDAY**

We pray for the work of the Leprosy Mission, that those in need of treatment may come forward to receive it and be healed.. We thank you for the staff in clinics and hospitals who offer their lives in your service, to treat the disease and the disabling effects of it.

**SATURDAY**

Lord, we come to you at the end of this week, to confess our sins and pray for your forgiveness. We pray for each other in our family, and in our church family; that our hearts may be opened to your transforming love.

**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:

Wilma and Matthew Smith and their Family;  
Anita and Malcolm Strudwick

**SUNDAY SERVICE THIS WEEK:    Rev. David Hill: Service 4**

Opening of Service

Video

Quiet Time

First Verse of Hymn 111: Dear lord and Father

Scripture

Hymn 506 O Lord my God when I in awesome wonder

Hymn 170 Give thanks with a grateful heart

Talk to Young People

Video of Birds as Children leave; and Offertory.

Reading Psalm 73

Prayers of Intercession

Hymn 1008 The Lord's my Shepherd

Reading Matthew 6: v. 24 – 34

Sermon

Hymn 251 How sweet the name of Jesus sounds

Share with your neighbour – how do you cope with worry?

Blessing

**FUTURE SERVICES**

July 30<sup>th</sup> Rev David Hill

August 6<sup>th</sup> Mr Stuart Dew with Holy Communion

August 13<sup>th</sup> Mr Wilfred Rhodes

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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 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month

from 12<sup>th</sup> September. In Bobby's garden on August 8th

weather permitting

TABLE TENNIS Tuesdays & Fridays 9.30 am -11.15

ART & CRAFT CLUB 1st Saturday in the month : 9.30 -12.30 a.m.

BIBLE STUDY Weekly on Wednesdays 7.00 pm in Church.

MIDWEEK PRAISE SERVICE Monthly

at 7.00 pm with refreshments

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The first Elders' Newsletter has been e-mailed.

We understand that some may have received it in their 'junk file'

If you have not received a copy, check your 'spam' folder. If it

is not there speak to Mary who originally sent it from Church

Suite. The Newsletter contains many useful events and dates.

## **NOTICES.**

### **BIBLE STUDY**

Our informal Bible Study continues on Wednesday 26th July at 7.00 pm. In church. This week we will be looking at "Keeping faith with a faithful God" from the Old Testament; and "A certain hope" from the New testament.

*Jonathan Cooper*

### **SHOEBOX DONATIONS**

The list for toiletries are on the A-board at the back of the church. Please put your donations in the bag on the table. Thank you.

*Bett Swierk*

From Rev David Hill our preacher today:-

As we continue looking at the Sermon on the Mount, we turn today to Our Lord's words about worry. On our first Sunday we were led to think about The Hillside of Grace; then we went to the Downside of Religion. Last week we were on the Blindsides of Prayer, and so this Sunday – today – it is about the Landside of Worries.

*Here are a few questions for you to reflect upon after the Sermon:-*

1. What points in this morning's service enabled you to pray?
2. What things are you worrying about right now, which you feel you should trust to Our Lord?
3. What do you tend to worry about in general?
4. Are there any events in your past that make you more prone to worry? If so, what are they?
5. When you worry, how does that impact the way you live and how you relate to others?
6. What specific things (both positive and negative) do you do in order to deal with worry in your life?

Contributions for **Welcome**: E-mail: [welcome@gurc.org.uk](mailto:welcome@gurc.org.uk)

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