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 7th March 2021 Third Sunday of Lent

10.30 am Morning Worship: Mrs Jode James

with Holy Communion

Duty Elder: Mrs Caroline Hibbs

PLEASE NOTE: ONLINE STREAMING OF SERVICE ONLY



Service Information:

Sunday March 7th

Hymns (Mission Praise):

1000 - King of Kings, Majesty

723 – We come as guests invited

770 - Will your anchor hold in the storms of life?

272 - I have decided to follow Jesus

Reading:

Romans 13: 1-5

NEXT WEEK our Morning Service at 10.30am will be conducted by Rev. Andrew Sellwood.

We are pleased that services are still going out live on-line at 10.30 every Sunday morning. This can be accessed as follows:

Via our web-site https://www.gurc.net

On the App go to Sunday Worship - Video Streaming

Recordings are available all week if you prefer to catch-up at a later time or another day.

Church Family Prayers

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

Mr Munro & Mrs Joan Wightman and Mr Roger & Mrs Shirley Wilde

DAILY PRAYERS

Sunday: We thank you that we are able to come together to celebrate Holy Communion – in spirit if not in body – and pray for Jode as she leads us in worship. Bless her in her ministry today.

Monday: We think today of the teachers and school staff returning to the classrooms again after the lockdown. Many will have concerns about safety among the larger numbers in class and we pray for considerate behaviour and your peace on them.

Tuesday: We think today of the children and students as they readjust back to lessons with their peers. We pray for understanding as they catch up on what has been missed. Particularly for those facing uncertainty about 'exam' grades this summer – with no exams to take.

Wednesday: Taking a break from the theme we give thanks today that all those in our church and country have been able to have the Covid -19 vaccine already, making the first steps back to 'normal life' possible.

Thursday We remember today that with the re-opening of schools there will be increased traffic and pedestrians due to travel to and from schools. We pray for safety on the streets for everyone as we re-learn to deal with this situation after the quietness of lockdown.

Friday: At the end of the first week, we pray for the parents recovering from the pressures of home-schooling for so long. Give them patience to deal with another change in routine, whether still working or off work at this time.

Saturday: On the weekend again, we give thanks for the coming of Spring and the new life, new encouragement which comes with it. We remember all the blessings we have received from the Father over the winter months, when it is difficult to see over the cold and damp outside.

NOTICES

WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY ON ZOOM:

Wednesday 10th February at 7.00 pm - Rev Andrew Sellwood will lead. If you would like to join in please send Andrew an e-mail to andwood@ntlworld.com on the day of the session and he will make sure you receive a Zoom invitation with details of the meeting. The weekly Bible Study is open to both Sompting and Goring Churches and will continue through Lent and on to Easter.

MAUNDY THURSDAY REMINDER:

The Elders plan to hold a 'Seder Meal' on Thursday 1st April, a reminder of the traditional Passover meal which Jesus took part in during that celebration over 2,000 years ago. People can join in person at the church or at home 'online' via the live stream. To register for this event please contact Mary Redman by phone 01903 692218 or email at mary@redlee.co.uk by Weds 24th March to get a goodie bag with all the necessary items for the service.

BIBLE SOCIETY PRAYERS FOR MARCH:

Give thanks that over £800,000 has been raised since April 2020. 35 societies have received vital support. Translation projects have been saved in Albania, Argentina, Bulgaria, Eswatini, Mozambique and Namibia. Also saved include projects for children's and youth work, the blind and orphans. Praise the Lord!

Please pray for Bible Society literacy programmes; for the safety of Bible Society workers in African countries where there is persecution from Muslim extremists; for the UK Bible Society staff and their work; and for the 'Open the Book' teams across the country and in Worthing, making the stories available on YouTube etc.