

Sunday 18th June 2023

WELCOME

and Goodbye

Joint Service with Sompting URC



Goring United Reformed Church

Revd Andrew Sellwood

Duty Elder Caroline Hibbs



HYMNS AND BIBLE READINGS

- MP 1003 *Shout to the Lord*
MP 881 *Lord, I Lift Your Name on High*
Isaiah 40:17–31
Jeremiah 29:10–14
MP 1072 *In Christ Alone*
Matthew 5:1–16
MP 200 *Great Is Thy Faithfulness*
Acts 20:22–35
MP 829 *For the Joys and for the Sorrows*
MP 201 *Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah!*

UPCOMING SERVICES

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| Sun 25 th Jun | 10:30 | Hilary Redman |
| Sun 2 nd Jul | 10:30 | Revd David Hill |
| Sun 9 th Jul | 10:30 | Revd David Hill |
| Thu 13 th Jul | 19:00 | Midweek Praise |
| Sun 16 th Jul | 10:30 | Revd David Hill |

BIBLE QUOTES

When his time of service was completed, he returned home. *Luke 1:23 (NIV)*

"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." *Jeremiah 29:11 (NIV)*



BIBLE STUDY

Our informal Bible study series continues on Wednesday 21st June at 19:00 in the Church. Each session is stand-alone; no need to have been before. Speak to *Jonathan Cooper* if you want more information.

DAILY PRAYERS

Sunday: We thank you that we can come together today to worship you oh Lord, and celebrate with Andrew how good you are. We pray for Andrew and Jill as they embark on new ventures, and that you will continue to be a light ahead of them and their family.

Monday: We think this week more than ever about the future of our church in this next chapter of its life. We should continue to thank God for his wisdom and direction each day – today for the Eldership team as they face even more responsibility in leading the church in the next weeks and months.

Tuesday: We think today about those in the church membership who play particular roles, whether in a team or as individuals, there may even be those we don't realise (if you still have a copy of the Feb 5th Welcome there is a list on the back). We pray that God will be their strength as they fit these activities into busy lives to support the congregation.

Wednesday: We take a break to pray today for our global society, and the ever increasing news of violence, fear, poverty and destruc-

tion of and in our world that we hear and see going on around us. Sometimes it seems there is nothing we can do - but we can pray, for individuals, communities and countries according to the situations they and we are in. Praise God for his Mercy!

Thursday: We look today to our brothers and sisters in leadership at Sompting URC, who are also facing a time of uncertainty with Andrew's retirement. We ask that the Lord might guide and bless them as they also seek his way for them for the future.

Friday: We pray for both our congregations and members, as we come to terms with any new arrangements made for the church by Synod and leadership. We pray for God's grace as we remember we are all imperfect, and we ask that we may act with your love for each other when things maybe don't run as smoothly as we are used to.

Saturday: It is time to look outwards again and remember the 'moderator' who will be in place for our area after Andrew. They may or may not know the church, or its community, and we pray for understanding on all sides as we learn to get along together..

FAMILY PRAYERS

This week we specifically remember in our prayers the following members:

Peggy Mott, Sue Nicholls, and Penny Norfolk

BIBLE SOCIETY

This coming Saturday (24th June) at 19:30 is the Worthing Action Group Concert, to raise funds for Bibles for Ukraine. It will be a mix of light and more serious music. A video will also be shown of the work going on by the Bible Society of Ukraine despite the war. Refreshments will be free during the interval. You can pay on the door or from me. *Christina Shearer*

ANDREW & JILL

Today we bid farewell to our Minister, Revd Andrew Sellwood, and his wife, Jill. We wish them both the very best for the future as they leave Worthing after more than twenty years and head to pastures new.



Notices, Diary & Misc

THIS WEEK

Mon 19 th	09:30–11:15	Mini Fishes
	14:00–16:00	Coffee & Cake
Tue 20 th	09:30–11:15	Table Tennis
Wed 21 st	19:00	Bible Study
Fri 23 rd	09:30–11:15	Table Tennis

ADVANCE NOTICE

Wed 28 th Jun	Bible Study
Sat 1 st Jul	Art & Craft Club
Wed 5 th Jul	Bible Study
Thu 6 th Jul	Elders Meeting
Sun 9 th Jul	Church Breakfast
Tue 11 th Jul	Tuesday Fellowship
Thu 13 th Jul	Midweek Praise Service
Fri 14 th Jul	Coffee Morning
Sat 16 th Sep	Barn Dance

PRaise EVENING

Please note that July's Praise Evening is a week earlier than usual and will be held on Thursday 13th. We meet at 19:00 with a tea or coffee. If you have a favourite hymn or worship song you would like to share with us and sing please let me know by Monday 10th July. *Val Cooper*

ERRORS AND CORRECTIONS

Some recent Welcomes have shown incorrect information regarding Tuesday Fellowship. During the coming months members are invited to gather in on Bobby's garden at 14:15 on Tuesdays 11th July and 8th August, weather permitting. Apologies for the errors.



BEHIND THE SCENES

Fri 9 th Jun	Sanctuary window broken
Thu 15 th Jun	Sanctuary window replaced
	New speed bump and warning signs installed
Misc	Replacement doorbell for the Cornwall Room entrance



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