

Goring United Reformed Church

A Joint Pastorate with Sompting United Reformed Church



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WELCOME

Sunday 12th March 2023

Third Sunday in Lent: Bible Sunday

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

**10.30 am Morning Worship :Mrs Mary Stewart & Wilfred Rhodes
Worthing & District Bible Society Representative.
Duty Elder: Mrs Rosina Bayley**

**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.**



**TESTWOOD BAPTIST
CHURCH
TOTTEN HAMPSHIRE**

SUNDAY SERVICE THIS WEEK:

BIBLE SOCIETY SUNDAY.

Hymn MP 428 Lord, for the years
Prayers & Lord's Prayer [modern edition on screen]
Talk
Hymn MP 600 Christ is the world's light
Readings Psalm 4
Matthew 6: V. 19 - 33
Hymn MP 1201 Longing for light
Talk
Hymn MP 122 Eternal Father strong to save
Prayers
Hymn MP 1261 Brother, Sister let me serve you
Blessing

FUTURE SERVICES

March 19th 10.30 am Mrs Valerie Cooper & Elders :-
Mothering Sunday

March 26th 10.30 am Rev Andrew Sellwood

April 2nd 10.30 am Rev Janet Hopewell :- Palm Sunday

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MINI FISHES – Baby & Toddlers Group: Mondays 9.30 – 11.15 am

COFFEE & CAKE drop-in afternoon – Mondays 1.30 pm – 4 pm.

TUESDAY FELLOWSHIP – 2nd & 4th Tuesdays 2.15 pm - 4 pm

Next Meeting: March 14th - For poetry and stories.

SENIOR TABLE TENNIS Tuesdays & Fridays 9.30 am -11.15 am

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

Next meeting 4th February 2023

HOME DISCUSSION GROUP next meeting March 29th 10-12 am

Thursday 23rd March 7.00 pm Midweek Praise Service
with refreshments

Saturday 25th March 10.30 am CHURCH MEETING

26 Ladies enjoyed an evening meal together last Thursday;

Thank you to the organisers – there was lots of talk!

And thank you for our Church Breakfast this morning; and thank you to those who prepared it.

PRAYERS FOR THIS WEEK

SUNDAY

We pray today for the work of the Bible Society in so many countries around the world and here in Worthing. We thank God for the generosity of Bible Society supporters and give thanks that about 168,000 Bibles and scripture books were distributed to Ukraine last year.

MONDAY

Lord help me to speak, live, welcome and be kind with the heart of a true servant and peacemaker. Help me to embrace a tender and serving heart in all my interactions with other people.

TUESDAY

May the God who gives endurance and encouragement give us the same attitude of mind towards each other that Jesus Christ had, so that we may glorify the Father [Romans 15: 5-6]

WEDNESDAY

Lord give me that gift of faith, especially when I am tempted towards unbelief when obstacles emerge, help me to navigate my way with confidence and trust in you.

THURSDAY

God of Compassion, today Lord I bring you all of my situations. When my strength has reached it's capacity, I lift my eyes to you, the one I trust - maker of heaven and earth. Thank you for the gift of your presence.

FRIDAY

You O Lord who sees my unshed tears, may I make time to rejoice with those who are glad, risk sharing the pain of those who grieve and sense the moment for laughter or tears.

SATURDAY

Today my heart will sing, my feet will dance, I will laugh and rejoice in the beauty of life, the wonder of existence, the gift of now. Thank you Lord !

Church Family Prayers:

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

Ms Amy Varga; Mr & Mrs Steve & Carol Webber and Family.

NOTICES.

FROM OUR GORING URC PUBLICATIONS MANAGER AND WEBSITE EDITOR. Please remember to use our online Prayerbook www.gurc.net/prayerbook Items of prayer are regularly being added.
Graham Redman

BIBLE SOCIETY SUNDAY

We welcome Mary Stewart as speaker today. She represents the Worthing and District area. You will find envelopes for donations on the chairs. If you are a tax payer please sign the envelope for Gift Aid.

DISASTER EMERGENCY COMMITTEE - DEC

For the Turkey/Syria Earthquake appeal £435 was raised. Thank you for your continuing generosity.

Matthew Smith – Treasurer



Paul and I would like to thank the congregation for all the good wishes following the announcement of our engagement. It was very much appreciated.

Val Berry

EASTER EGGS: OUTREACH GROUP.

We would like to be able to send an Easter Egg and a book to each of the children staying in the Safe in Sussex Refuge; and also to Little Fishes children. If you would like to contribute, please give money to Mary Redman who will buy the eggs on our behalf. Many thanks.

Outreach Group.

NEWS OF RUTH AND MAMY

They have been in Worthing for the past month and will be here until after Easter, and then they go to Congo Brazzaville for 6 weeks. Pray for their ongoing Bible translating work.

CHRIS HOWIE Thanks the church for the flowers delivered to her last Sunday, they were very much appreciated.

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