

Goring United Reformed Church



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WELCOME

Sunday 14th April 2024
Second Sunday after Easter.

**We are here to :- Grow closer to God,
Support and encourage each other,
Share the love of Jesus.**

**10.30 am Morning Worship : Mrs Ellie Bunker from
Emmanuel URC Worthing
Including the Dedication of Sophia Jean Spruhan
by Mrs Valerie Cooper.**

Duty Elder: Mr Matthew Smith

**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.**



**BLUEBELLS AT
BLAKEHURST**

PRAYERS FOR THIS WEEK

SUNDAY

We turn to you, O God of every nation, giver of good and origin of life; your love is at the heart of all creation, your hurt is people's pain in war and death.

MONDAY

We turn to you that we may be forgiven for crucifying Christ on earth again. We know that we have never wholly striven to share with all the promise of your reign

TUESDAY

O Lord, free every heart from pride and self - reliance, our ways of thought inspire with simple grace; break down among us barriers of defiance, speak to the soul of all the human race.

WEDNESDAY

On all who work on earth for right relations we pray the light of love from hour to hour. Grant wisdom to the leaders of the nations, the gift of carefulness to those in power.

THURSDAY

Teach us, Good Lord, to serve the need of others, help us to give and not to count the cost. Unite us all to live as Sisters, Brothers, defeat our Babel with your Pentecost.

FRIDAY

Open my eyes, that I may see glimpses of truth you have for me; place in my hands the wonderful key that shall unclasp and set me free. Open my heart and let me prepare love with your children thus to share.

SATURDAY

Go now in peace, never be afraid. God will go with you each hour of every day. Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true. Know that He will guide you in all that you do. Go now in love and show that you believe. Reach out to others so that all the world can see.

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:

Rita Roberts; Christina Shearer;

Wilma & Mathew Smith and their Family.

HYMNS & READINGS FOR TODAY

Hymn	MP 497	O Give thanks to the Lord.
	MP 23	All things bright and beautiful
	MP 170	Give thanks with a grateful heart
Reading	O.T.	Isaiah 42 v. 1 - 9
	MP 67	Breathe on me breath of God
Readings	N.T.	Luke's Gospel 1 v. 8 - 17
		1 John 4 v. 1 - 6
	MP 18	All over the world the Spirit is moving
	MP 631	Tell out my soul, the greatness of the Lord.

FUTURE SERVICES

April	21	The Elders led by Mrs Valerie Gill
April	28	Rev Bridget Banks - Moderator of the URC Southern Province.
May	5	Mrs Valerie Cooper with Holy Communion.

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 2nd Tuesday of each month
next meeting: May 14 at 2.15 pm

TABLE TENNIS Tuesdays & Fridays 9.30 am -11.15

ART & CRAFT CLUB 1st Saturday in the month : 9.30 -12.30 a.m
next meeting May 5

BIBLE STUDY Weekly on Wednesdays 7.00 pm in Church.

MIDWEEK PRAISE SERVICE Monthly on 3rd Thursday

Have you seen the old man in the closed down market
Kicking up the papers with his worn out shoes?
In his eyes you see no pride, hand held loosely at his side
Yesterday's paper telling yesterday's news.
So how can you tell me you're lonely and say for you
that the sun don't shine?
Let me take you by the hand and lead you through the
streets of London
Show you something to make you change your mind.

Heard played and sung in Stockholm Centrum

NOTICES.

DEDICATION OF SOPHIA JEAN SPRUHAN.

The dedication of Sophia Jean will take place this morning during the service, carried out by Valerie Cooper. We are so pleased to welcome her parents, Charlotte and Paul, and family and friends. We do welcome you all to our service, and tea or coffee will be available after the service and you are all welcome to stay for that.

CHURCH KEY AUDIT

It's been a few years since a Key Audit has taken place. But this is necessary for insurance purposes and Safeguarding. Buildings must be kept secure at all times, and an essential part of that process is limiting the number of keys in circulation.

If you are a key holder, please indicate on the list at the back of the church which keys you hold. If you hold keys to more than one door please carefully consider whether you need more than one as your needs may have changed over time.

If you have keys you no longer use, please return them to me in an envelope marked with your name and which doors they are for.

It is very important that my list from 2020 is updated.

Wilma Smith - Hall Lettings Secretary.

SYNOD MODERATOR

Please note that our Southern Synod Moderator will be conducting worship on Sunday 28th April.

Rev Bridget Banks was formerly minister of our United Reformed Churches in Crawley. The Southern Synod covers Kent, Sussex and Surrey and her office is in part of East Croydon URC.

We shall be inviting members and friends from our other local URC's.

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