

Goring United Reformed Church

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WELCOME

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

Sunday 21st September 2025

**Morning Worship: Rev George Butterworth
Duty Elder: Mr Matthew Smith**

NEXT WEEK: Sunday 28th September 10.30am service will be led by Mr Wilf Rhodes – Harvest Festival supporting Turning Tides

New Here?

Please pick up a 'New Here?' leaflet from the back of the church or visit our website www.gurc.net under 'Publications' on the top Menu.

Please email any contributions for Welcome to: welcome@gurc.net

The editor for this and next week is Barbara Hillman



TODAY'S SERVICE: *Hymns and readings shown on our screens*

MP 258: I am trusting Thee, Lord Jesus

Amos 8: 4-7

MP 551: Out of my bondage, sorrow, and night

1 Timothy 2: 1-7

MP 450: I was sinking deep in sin (Love lifted me)

MP735: We rest on Thee, our shield and defender!

Our Sunday services are recorded to watch later: www.gurc.net

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PRAYERS FOR OUR CHURCH FAMILY *this week we remember:*

Mrs Penny Norfolk, Mrs Val Parker, Mr Alf Parsons and Mr Alan Patterson

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DAILY PRAYERS

Sunday: Oh for a closer walk with God, a calm and heavenly frame – a light to shine down the road, that leads me to the Lamb! Let me see your footmarks and in them plant my own – my hope to follow duly is in your strength alone!

Monday: As the autumn draws in, we remember those that have most difficulty in this time, where it grows colder and darker earlier. May they know comfort and encouragement from the Lord.

Tuesday: Lord, teach us today, show us the way you'd have us be. Lord, lead us in your love, open our eyes, and help us to see all you have to give. Move your Holy Spirit within our hearts.

Wednesday: We remember the students going away to university – for a new term, or starting out, the first time away from home and loved ones. May they find good friends and mentors to support them in this next stage in life.

Thursday: As we have heard, so we have seen in the city of the Lord Almighty: God makes her secure forever. Within your temple, O God, we meditate on your unfailing love. Like your name, O God, your praise reaches to the ends of the earth

Friday: I urge, then, first of all, that petitions, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for all people - for kings and those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness. This is good, and pleases God our Saviour, who wants all people to be saved and to come to a knowledge of the truth (1 Tim 2)

Saturday: We have the church meeting this morning, so pray for all the people involved in preparing, leading and speaking in the meeting. Ask the Lord to guide the discussions and decisions made.

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Please remember to add your prayers to our On-Line prayer book' Use the Prayer Request Form in the Members Area.

We also have a Prayer board at the back of the Sanctuary by the Refreshments area, where you can add any prayer requests you have.

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REGULAR DATES FOR THE DIARY in the Sanctuary unless otherwise noted. *More details can be found on-line at: www.gurc.net/diary*

Art & Craft Club – 1st Saturday of the month: 9.30am

Bible Study Group – Every Wednesday 7.00pm with Jonathan Cooper

Church Family Breakfast – 2nd Sunday from 9.45am

Church Meeting – Every other month, Saturday 10.00am: Next is Sept 27th starting with 'brunch'

Coffee, Tea & Cake Drop-in & Warm Space - Mondays 2.00pm

Mid-week Praise – 3rd Wednesday of the month: 7.00pm

Mini Fishes – Mondays 9.30am Main Hall in Term-time only

Senior Table Tennis -Tuesdays & Fridays 9.30am Main Hall

Tuesday Fellowship – 2nd Tuesday of the month: 2.15pm

NOTICES

As approved by Church Meeting we will be holding a Gift Day on Harvest Sunday 28 September, with a target collection figure of £5,000.

The Church faces potentially very large expenditure in relation to necessary Fire Safety improvements (a legal requirement) and possible replacement of the Sanctuary Windows.

The funding picture is complex and evolving but Church Meeting agreed that a Gift Day is a prudent step to take.

Please pray carefully as to how you respond, and if you can, review your regular giving. If you have any questions please speak to me or better still attend Church Meetings for updates.

Thank you, *Matthew Smith, Church Treasurer*

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Have you seen the Barn Dance posters, if not take a look! Our Barn Dance takes place on Saturday 11th October from 6pm. There will of course be our legendary Ploughman's Super. Tickets can be had from Mary at £12 per head. Look forward to seeing you there, even if you don't dance, its fun watching others getting in a tangle!

Also the Warm for Winter Sale on Saturday 18th October. If you have any warm coats or jackets that are surplus to requirements and in good condition, please bring them into church and hang them on the rail by the vision desk. They could help someone less fortunate than yourself to keep warm this winter. Coats, jackets, gloves, hats and scarves will be on sale at reasonable prices. Come and have a coffee and a slice of cake as well. The sale will run from 11am to 2pm. Many thanks, *The Outreach Team*

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Reminder to remove any personal food in the church freezer by the end of September or it will be redistributed or destroyed – as it is scheduled for defrosting.