Goring United Reformed Church

A joint Pastorate with Sompting United Reformed Church





Minister: Rev Andrew Sellwood 01903 248259 Church Secretary: Mrs Val Gill 01903 531069 Pastoral Secretary: Mrs Hilary Redman 01903 260568

WELCOME

Sunday 25th April 2021

The Fourth Sunday of Easter

10:30am Morning Worship led by

Rev Andrew Sellwood

Next Sunday, Morning worship with Holy Communion will be led will by Mrs Valerie Cooper

> The Church is open today!! Please come in

but if you have to stay at home, join us in worship by live streaming or by recorded video - available with subtitles in the early afternoon. Just visit our church website gurc.net and follow the links.

We are here to worship God and proclaim the love of Jesus Christ to all

A Prayer for each day of the week

<u>Sunday</u>: "At Your feet we fall, Mighty risen Lord, as we come before Your throne to worship You. By Your Spirit's power You now draw our hearts and we hear Your voice in triumph ringing clear: 'I am He that liveth, that liveth and was dead. Behold I am alive for evermore.'" Halleluja!

<u>Monday</u>: Heavenly Father, we come before You with our prayers of thanksgiving. Every day we receive an abundance of Your gifts - Your love, the love of friends and family, the promise of Spring, our daily bread, Your promse that You are with us always. Thank You, O Lord. Amen

<u>Tuesday</u>: Heavenly Father, we come before you with our prayers of confession. We know that we let You down every day; we do not heed Your call, nor remember to speak kind words. We leave Your work undone. We do things that we are ashamed of. Forgive us we pray and renew a right spirit in us. Amen

<u>Wednesday</u>: Heavenly Father, today we remember all those world wide who are grievingy, and sorowful at the loss of loved ones. Today we pray for the people of India and Brasil where the people are overwhelmed by the ravages of the covid disease. We lift them to You - You said, "Blessed are those who mourn for they shall be comforted". Amen

<u>Thursday:</u> Heavenly Father today we remember the people of the United States. We pray for Justice and Peace. For reconcilliation between person and person no matter the colour of their skin. For acceptance and humility and Your Love within the human family - the family which You have created. Amen

<u>Friday</u>: Heaveny Father, there are many who do not now Your Name. We pray for those who speak Your Gospel without fear, for those who have left their families to work in the translation and spreading Your Word. Bless the Gideons - now known as "Good News for Everyone" as they publish their new free magasine "Hope". Amen

<u>Saturday</u>: Heavenly Father, We remember those who are preparing worship for tomorrow in Cathedral and in Chapel, on line by Zoom, in secret and in fear; in the West, and in the East, in freedom and in prison, on land and at sea. So many places Lord - and You are there and here, present with us all. Thanks be to God. Amen

Church Family Prayers.

Each Week we remember members of our Church Family. During this week we remember -Mrs Margaret Gardner, Mr and Mrs Graeme and Val Gill, Mrs Do Goodchild, Mrs Caroline Hibbs, Mrs Barbara Hillman

> The Lord bless us all and keep us safe. Lord in Your mercy, hear our prayers. Amen

NOTICES & DIARY DATES

Church Re-opening - important reminders GUIDELINES FOR WORSHIP IN THE SANCTUARY

Please remember, as directed by the Stewards, to keep your distance, wear a face covering and sanitise your hands as you arrive.

Fill seats from the front where possible. At the close of the service please exit directly, as instructed by the Duty Elder and Stewards, again keeping your distance from one another.

Smile with your eyes! Eileen Rhodes, for the stewards

Weekly Bible Study by Zoom

Wednesday evening 28th April at 7:00pm. We will be studying Chapters 13 and 14 of the Acts of the Apostles.

For an invitation to the meeting please e-mail Andrew.

Christian Aid Week 10-16 May 2021

Christian Aid are celebrating their 75th Anniversary.

We are not able to raise funds as we normally do, but if you would like to make a donation I will have envelopes available in church on Sunday or donate online at caweek.org.

There is an online Quiztian Aid on Saturday May 8th at 7pm. Go to caweek.org/quiztianaid for more information.

From the sale of marmalade I have $\pounds 60$ to add to our church donations. Thank you, Bett Swierk.

Summer Chronicle

The closing date for Summer Chronicle articles is 1st May. If I receive enough contibutions, I will see if I can produce a magazine.

Graham Redman

A Message from Susie

Big thanks to Mary Redman for all her hard work setting up Easter activities. The brownies (with ingredients already bought and weighed out in labelled bags) were a hit with everyone who tried them - and I'd be grateful if she could arrange to drop off more meals semi-prepared too. And maybe consider collecting the bowls and utensils for washing afterwards ? ;-)

The Amble was fun as well - just short enough to prevent Ryan from complaining that he was exhausted ... It reinforced the fact that I cannot read even the most simple of maps - thankfully Joe can, otherwise I'd still be wandering around a park I shouldn't have been in at all ...

Susie Thomas

A Repeat message to say 'Thank You' from Margaret Gardner

"I wish to thank all my kind friends who were in touch with me when I was in hospital on Easter Sunday after my fall in Lancing. Everyone was so supportive which is much appreciated. I look forward to seeing you all again"

A Note from Graham

After receiving one or two queries about live streaming and recording, now that we are meeting in church again, please see note below: All services will continue to be live streamed at 10:25am and recorded for later viewing with subtitles from about 1:00pm.

As you know Welcome is available to view on the screen from the relevant Sunday Worship page, there is also a button enabling you to print a copy if you so wish.

Contributions for Welcome

During May the Editor will be Wilfred Rhodes. Email: welcome@gurc.org.uk Goring United Reformed Church, Shaftesbury Ave., Goring by Sea BN12 4EA Find us on our website https://gurc.net and Facebook.