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 23rd March 2025

Third Sunday of Len

Morning Worship: Rev. David Hill Duty Elder: Mrs Bobby Hitchin

NEXT WEEK: Sunday 30th March 10.30am service will be led again by Rev David Hill

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

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

To Thine be the glory
Thou Lord has given Thyself for our healing
Beauty for brokenness
When I survey the wondrous cross

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Isaiah 53:1-9

Matt. 8:1-17

PRAYERS FOR OUR CHURCH FAMILY this week we remember:

Olive Bushby, David & Margaret Butcher, Jill Colbourn

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DAILY PRAYERS

Sunday: Be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. Put on the full armour of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes. And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests for all the Lord's people.

Monday: Father God, our hearts are cold, Lord warm them by your selfless Love. We think of those around us in circumstances that rely on the kindness and generosity of others to survive.

Tuesday: Father God, our hearts are sinful, Lord cleanse them with your precious blood. We think of the wrong we have committed and the good that we have not done, that could help in your Kingdom.

Wednesday: Father God, our hearts are weak, Lord strengthen them with your joyous Spirit. We think of the situations where we ought to stand up for the poor, displaced, sick and without a voice, but don't know where to start.

Thursday: Father God, our hearts are empty, Lord fill them with your divine presence. We think of our society where people constantly strive for satisfaction in life through work, money, possessions and relationships, but constantly fail because it's you they need.

Friday: Lord Jesus, our hearts are yours, possess them always and only for yourself. Help us remember that nothing can fill our souls like a relationship with you.

Saturday: Come, Holy Spirit, to cleanse and renew us, purge us from evil and fill us with power; Thus shall the waters of healing flow through us, So shall revival be born in this hour.

Please remember to use our important resource, the online Prayerbook accessible from the front page of our website https://gurc.net

For those in the congregation <u>not online</u> – we have a Prayer board at the back of the Sanctuary by the Refreshments area, where you are welcome to add any prayer requests you might like to share.

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

Lent Bible Study – Wednesdays 7.00pm

Church Family Breakfast – 2nd Sunday of the month: from 9.45am

Church Meeting – Last Saturday of every second month: 29th March 10.00am

Coffee, Tea & Cake Drop-in & Warm Space - Mondays 2.00pm Mid-week Praise - 3rd Thursday of the month: 7.00pm Mini Fishes - Mondays 9.30am Main Hall in Term-time Senior Table Tennis - Tuesdays & Fridays 9.30am Main Hall

NOTICES

Copies of the Church Accounts for 2024 are available on Church Suite for those of you who have access. For those who don't, copies will be available in the vestibule on Sunday (today). I will be presenting the accounts for approval at our March Church Meeting. *Matthew Smith, Church Treasurer*

THANK YOU to everyone who supported my fundraising. I have now reached my target. The quiz raised £205 so thank you to everyone who came. In total I have raised £1700. *Chloe Redman*

CHURCH PASTORAL AID SOCIETY - Ministry Among Women Friday 4th April, 9.15am - 2.30pm. Offington Park Methodist Church. Speakers: Rev David and Mrs Sandra Hill: 'This too will pass'. Ladies are invited to this day of worship, talks and fellowship. Cost: £7 including drinks - take your own packed lunch. *Eileen Rhodes* has booking forms.

Dillistone & Wraights Funeral Directors in Goring have recently rebranded and asked us to mention they want to make our local community aware of this by holding an Open Day at their premises at 270-272 Goring Road BN12 4PE - on Wednesday 9th April, 11am-3pm.

PLANT and BOOK sale 26th April

Please could you remember donations for the plant and book sale. Books can be put in the box near the coffee trolley, please look after the plants at home until nearer the time. *The Outreach team*

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Please email any contributions for Welcome to: welcome@gurc.net
The editors for March 2025 will be Ryan Thomas and Barbara Hillman