



WELLCOME

SERVICE NOTES

1st February 2026

Today's Communion service will be led by

Revd George Butterworth

HYMNS

481	Name of All Majesty
253	Hushed Was the Evening Hymn
132	Father Hear the Prayer We Offer
192	God of Grace

READINGS

OT	1 Samuel 3:1-20
NT	Luke 2:22-35

DAILY PRAYERS

Sunday: This is the day that the Lord has made. We will rejoice and be glad in it. Lord, we give thanks for the privilege of sharing Holy Communion together in peace and we remember all those elsewhere in our troubled world who are unable to do so.

Monday: Lord, we give thanks for the life of our friend, Vic Joy, and in particular for his contribution here in Goring URC. We pray that Maureen and family will draw some comfort from the love that surrounds them at this sad time.

Tuesday: Heavenly Father, let us remember all those who by choice or circumstance find themselves acting as the prime carer. Give them patience and strength as they tend, often in difficult circumstances, to the needs of others.

Wednesday: Dear God, at times of anxiety and worry I seek Your strength and calmness. Grant me Your peace that surpasses all understanding, thus releasing my fears and leaving me to trust in Your loving care.

Thursday: Thank you Lord for shelter, family, friends, work, food and health. Prompt me to be a good steward of what You give and to share Your provision with others.

Friday: Heavenly Father, strengthen my faith and give me courage to follow in Your footsteps even when it is challenging. Help me to navigate life's uncertainties with confidence, sound in the knowledge that You are always there to guide me.

Saturday: Lord, grant me the courage to face the challenges of a new month, the patience to wait for Your timing and the faith to believe in Your promises. Fill me with Your Spirit so that I may reflect Your love to those around me.

FAMILY PRAYERS

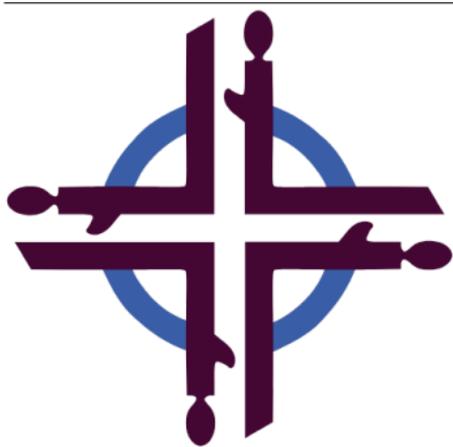
This week we particularly pray for:

Paul Long, Sue Mitchell, Peggy Mott, and Sue Nicholls



NOTICES

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER



This year's World Day of Prayer service is being held in THIS church! It's at 10.30am on Friday 6th March .

It's a short service, written by Christian women in Nigeria, based on "I will give you rest" (Mathew 11:28-30).

Refreshments will be provided afterwards. Please do come!

Susie Thomas

SYNOD NEWS

Revd Martin Hayward is retiring as Synod Clerk after 25 years of service with the Southern Synod. If anyone would like to make a donation towards a leaving gift more information is on the notice board.

Please read the letter on the notice board from the Faith in Action Team regarding Webinars that all are invited to. This encourages us to be a Church loving, nurturing and empowering all people.

NEW MEMBER

Today the Elders and congregation are overjoyed to welcome Christina Shearer into the church as a new member! Welcome, Christina!

BREAKFAST

We will be serving church breakfast next Sunday between 9:45 and 10:20. Please feel free to arrive a few minutes early to enjoy a hot drink and a roll. Maybe even bring a friend!

The Outreach Team



BIBLE QUOTE

"Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest.

Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.

For my yoke is easy and my burden is light."

Matthew 11:28-30 (NIV)

FLOWERS

Thank you so much for the beautiful flowers I was given by Bobby after last Sunday's service and also for the love which was sent with them. They are brightening up my lounge at present and reminding me daily that we all belong to a loving caring community within our Church.

Wilma Smith

DIARY & MISC

UPCOMING SERVICES

Sun 8 th	Revd John Jennings (with Church Breakfast)
Sun 15 th	Revd David Hill
Wed 19 th	Praise Service (19:00)
Sun 22 nd	Laurie Mellor

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK...

Mon 2 nd	09:30 14:00-16:00	Mini Fishes Coffee & Cake (Sanctuary)
Tue 3 rd	09:30-11:15	Table Tennis (Main Hall)
Wed 4 th	09:30 19:00	Elders Meeting Bible Study (Sanctuary)
Fri 6 th	09:30-11:15	Table Tennis (Main Hall)

...AND LATER

Mon 9 th	09:30	Mini Fishes
Tue 10 th	14:15-16:00	Tuesday Fellowship
Wed 11 th	19:00	Bible Study
Sat 14 th	09:30-12:30	Art & Craft Club
Fri 6 th Mar	10:30	World Day of Prayer

QUIZ FOR LUCY

Yesterday's quiz saw 41 quizzers in 9 teams battle it out, with 'Open the Brain' proving victorious in a very close finish! A marvellous £356.50 was raised towards Lucy's urgent medical treatment. Very many thanks to all who attended and a special thanks to those who organised the quiz and baked the delicious cakes.



Welcome

was produced by Bearded 'Super Bowl' RoBot & Alan 'Superb Owl' Paterson (he puts the twit into twit-two)



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