

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 26th January 2025

Morning Worship: Mrs Valerie Cooper
Duty Elder: Mrs Bobby Hitchin

NEXT WEEK: Sunday 2nd February

10.30am Communion service will be led by Mr Wilfred Rhodes

Our Sunday services are recorded to watch later: <https://www.gurc.net>

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

Seek Ye first the Kingdom of God

Psalm 23

The Lord is my shepherd (MP 660)

Draw near to God / Lord I lift your name on high / Lord I come to you

The Lords my shepherd (I will trust in you alone) (MP1008)

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

Graham & Hilary Redman, Paul & Mary Redman, Chloe and Nathan

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DAILY PRAYERS

Sunday: Dear Lord and Father of mankind, forgive our foolish ways; re-clothe us in our rightful mind, in purer lives thy service find, in deeper reverence praise.

Monday: We pray for the conflict in Gaza and the (hopefully) continuing ceasefire between the opposing parties. We continue to pray that God's Will will prevail throughout the area.

Tuesday: In simple trust like theirs who heard, beside the Syrian sea, the gracious calling of the Lord, let us, like them, without a word rise up and follow thee.

Wednesday: We pray for the people affected by the many fierce storms going through a number of areas within the UK and other countries at the moment – that the right help will be given.

Thursday: Drop thy still dews of quietness, till all our strivings cease; take from our souls the strain and stress, and let our ordered lives confess the beauty of thy peace.

Friday: We pray for the peoples across the African countries, suffering poverty and fear among continuing political instability and internal conflicts that go largely unnoticed or forgotten by the western media.

Saturday: Breathe through the heats of our desire, thy coolness and thy balm; let sense be dumb, let flesh retire; speak through the earthquake, wind, and fire - O still small voice of calm.

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

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REGULAR DATES FOR THE DIARY

More details can be found on-line at: www.gurc.net/diary

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

Bible Study – Wednesdays 7.00pm Sanctuary, with Jonathan Cooper

Church Family Breakfast – 2nd Sunday of the month: 9th Feb from 9.45am

Church Meeting – Last Saturday of the month 10.00am Sanctuary

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

Mid-week Praise – 3rd Thursday of the month: 20th Feb 7.00pm Sanctuary

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

Senior Table Tennis -Tuesdays & Fridays 9.30am Main Hall

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

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CHURCH NOTICES

Please Note we have a booking on Saturday 8th February for a gentleman named David Santineer who worships at Emmanuel Church.

He has booked the following – The Sanctuary (as he is holding a service of Celebration, he thinks there will be about 100/120 people attending) from 10 am until 2 pm. - The Main Hall, Cornwall room and the kitchen from 10 am until 6 pm.

So, if you intend to come into the Sanctuary that Saturday, it would be helpful if you can leave it until after 2pm, that will work for everyone and be much appreciated. *Wilma Smith*

Would you like a Large-Print version of the Welcome Sheet on a Sunday Morning? If so, please speak to Barbara Hillman and it can be arranged!

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For those in the congregation not online – 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. If unsure on exactly what to do, please see Valerie Cooper.

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As approved at the November Church Meeting we are holding a special 3 week collection to support the DEC's "Middle East Humanitarian Appeal", in response to the conflict in the Middle East, which is devastating lives. Millions of people across Gaza, Lebanon and the wider region urgently need shelter, food and basic supplies! Please give generously. *Matthew Smith*

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Chloe is running a quiz on Weds 19th February 3pm to raise funds for her trip to Africa. Tickets are £3. Please see the leaflets at the back of church, and talk to Chloe or Mary for tickets or more details.

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Please note that our WELCOME email address has changed from 'welcome@gurc.org.uk' to 'welcome@gurc.net' in line with our website address <https://www.gurc.net>.

Therefore, from now on please use this new address for contacting the Welcome team and refrain from using our old address ending in .org.uk.

Also, the Church Secretary or any office based email enquiry should be sent to 'office@gurc.net' Thank you to all. *Graham Redman*

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Please email any contributions for Welcome to: welcome@gurc.net
The editor for February 2025 will be Ryan Thomas and Wilf Rhodes