

## Goring United Reformed Church



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# WELCOME

Sunday 16th February 2025  
Bible Society Sunday

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

**10.30 a.m. Morning Worship: Mrs Mary Stewart  
Bible Society Representative & Wilfred Rhodes  
Duty Elder: Mrs Valerie Cooper**

If you are visiting us for the first time we do especially Welcome you.  
Please make yourselves known to our 'Welcomers', and  
ask for a leaflet for Newcomers, with details of our church life.



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## **HYMNS & READINGS**

MP	428	Lord for the years
MP	506	O Lord my God
Readings		Psalm 119 v. 1 – 16 2 Timothy 3 verse 14 – 4 verse 5
MP	67	Breathe on me breath of God
MP	449	Love divine all loves excelling
R&S	474	Brother, Sister, let me serve you

## **FUTURE SERVICES**

February 23	Rev Sean Carter from Durrington Free Church
March 2	Rev George Butterworth with Holy Communion
March 9	Mrs Valerie Cooper: Lent begins.

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MINI FISHES – Baby & Toddlers Group Mondays 9.30 am  
COFFEE & CAKE drop-in afternoon – Mondays 2.00 pm – 4 pm.  
In the Church

TUESDAY FELLOWSHIP – Meets 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month  
next meeting March 11<sup>th</sup>. Speaker Mr Tony Hall

TABLE TENNIS Tuesdays and Fridays 9.30 am -11.15 Main Hall

ART & CRAFT CLUB 1st Saturday in the month : 9.30 -12.30 a.m  
next meeting March 1<sup>st</sup>. in Church

BIBLE STUDY Weekly on Wednesdays at 7.00 pm in Church.

## **FROM THE MISSION GROUP.**

Thanks to the generosity of the Church we have been able to give £200 to each of the following charities:-

The Bible Society  
Christian Aid  
Good New for Everyone (Gideons)  
Leprosy Mission  
Mission Aviation Fellowship  
Medecins Sans Frontieres  
Safe in Sussex

Information about all these organisations is on the table at the back of the church.

*Bobby Hitchin: Mission Group Convenor*

## **PRAYERS FOR THIS WEEK**

### **Including Prayers for the Bible Society**

#### **SUNDAY**

People of God, Get up! Let your lights shine! We arise today for we have seen God's Glory.

#### **MONDAY**

We pray for the work of the Bible Society, the staff at the head office in Swindon, and the Representatives in churches across England and Wales, including Mary Stewart in Worthing.

#### **TUESDAY**

Thank God that there are so many Bible translations to suit every need, in so many countries. Remember Ruth & Mamy who, although retired are still translating the Bible in Brazzaville Congo.

#### **WEDNESDAY**

Pray for the teams of "Open the Book" who visit schools around this country, to act out Bible stories for and with the children. "Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others" .

1Pet 4:10

#### **THURSDAY**

We pray that more young Christians will feel called into the ministry abroad and in this country, that Christians can be part of the Gospel work, to love strangers as God has loved them.

#### **FRIDAY**

We pray that refugees who receive Jesus as their Saviour, will build good lives in this country. Pray that they will shine Your light in their work places and neighbourhood.

#### **SATURDAY**

When we are in distress or worried, remind us of your promise of hope. When we are happy and fulfilled, remind us of our need for each other and of you.

AMEN

#### **Church Family Prayers:**

Throughout the year we remember in our prayers all those in our Church Family. This week we remember:

Bett & Tony Swierk and their Family;

Susie & Ryan, Charlie & Jo Thomas.

## **NOTICES**

### **EASTER CRUISE**

We have lined up an Easter Cruise (in our imagination) sailing near the Holy Land. We will be embarking at 10.30 am each day from Goring URC, arrivals from 10.15 am, and mooring at the end of the day at 2.30 pm. We sail from **Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> to Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> April. Each day will include a 3-course lunch with cake!** And unlimited tea, coffee and squash. There will be plenty of activities – craft, games and puzzles. There will be a quiet area where you can sit and read the paper. We shall also have a short Bible talk. If you have any questions please contact Mary Redman [692218] or Val Gill [07752 253698] Please book your place by completing the registration form available at the back of the church, and hand, with the cost of £5 per day, to: Mary, Val B, Val C, Val G, or Rosina or Ryan; or post to Mary Redman 11, Craddock Place, Worthing BN13 2QA. Cost includes Lunch. Please book by 25<sup>th</sup> March. Travel for any or all of the three days.

*The Elders*

### **LENT STUDY**

The Elders are encouraging us all to read the daily devotions “from Glory into Glory” by Tom Parsons. Bible Study sessions will be held for us to discuss our thoughts on the book, and focus on Lent. Lent starts after Ash Wednesday, 5<sup>th</sup> March. If you would like to join in reading the book and/or a study group, please sign up on the sheet at the back of the church. Cost of the book: £3.50 - £6 according to the number we purchase.

### **WORLD DAY OF PRAYER 2025**

The service for the World Day of Prayer in our area will be held at St Richard’s Church (Collingwood Rd) on 7<sup>th</sup> March at 10.30 am. It’s a short service with refreshments afterwards and all are welcome!

The Theme from the Christian women in the Cook Islands is:

**“I praise you for I am fearfully and wonderfully made” (Psalm 139).**

There is also another service that day at All Saints Church, Findon Valley at 2.30 pm.

*Susie Thomas*

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