

## Prayer Guide

### EBA Prayer Focus: Gorleston Baptist Church, Norfolk

Gorleston is on the coast of Norfolk, within the Borough of Great Yarmouth but with a separate identity. It is a mixed area demographically including significant levels of deprivation, and one of the Church's ministries is to those with basic needs including food-poverty. After several years of pastoral vacancy, a new minister, Mike Flynn, started in the autumn to begin an exciting new chapter in the life of the church.

- Pray for wisdom, patience and resilience as the church maintains a faithful witness in the midst of the ongoing pandemic.
- For Mike and his wife Kay as they settle into the area and life with the fellowship
- That the love of Jesus would be shared deeply and widely in the areas around GBC

### Walton Parish Nursing

- Please continue to pray for Lorna, John and the volunteers.
- Pray that the new Wellbeing Group on Zoom will be helpful to those attending.
- Continue to pray for No Labels

### MRBC

- Pray for those who have recently lost loved ones and those who are unwell at this time particularly those in hospital.

### Nation

- Pray for the Government as they grapple with the current surge in infections, hospitalisations and deaths.
- Give thanks that vaccines are at last being rolled out and pray this may go smoothly.
- Give thanks for the NHS staff who continue to work hard to treat the rising tide of Covid patients and pray that the health service will not be overwhelmed.
- Pray for those who are suffering loss of jobs and businesses because of the lockdown, particularly in retail and hospitality.

### World

- Pray for a peaceful transfer of power in the USA on 20<sup>th</sup> and also for President Biden as he starts to tackle the massive coronavirus and political problems there.

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## Welcome to Maidstone Road Baptist Church

Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> January 2021  
**Morning Service**

Leader: Janet Rhea and Speaker: Mark Reid  
Online via the MRBC website.

This week - CTF Unity Week	
<i>Daily Prayer Guide</i> will be posted daily during the Week of Prayer.	
Sunday 17 <sup>th</sup> January	10.30am <b>Sunday Morning Service</b> Online via the MRBC website.
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> January	<b>CTF Community Prayers @ 11.00am on Zoom</b>
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> January	10.00am - 11.00am <b>Online Coffee Morning</b> via Zoom Come and go as you please. Please contact us if you need log-on details.
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> January	
Sunday 24 <sup>th</sup> January	10.30am <b>Sunday Morning Service</b> <b>Speaker - Rev Beth Powney (EBA) - Online only</b> on the MRBC Website. 6.30pm <b>CTF Unity Week - United Service</b> on YouTube



**Church Website:**  
[mrbcfelixstowe.org.uk](http://mrbcfelixstowe.org.uk)

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Regular Activities

Because of the constraints placed on us by the Coronavirus pandemic, the only Church activities running at present are those listed in the Weekly Sheet.

#### Unity Week

See opposite for more details

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> January  
Community Prayers  
Via Zoom

Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> January  
United Service  
Via YouTube

Personal Pilgrimage  
See opposite

### SERVICES IN JANUARY

17<sup>th</sup> January - Morning Service

24<sup>th</sup> January  
10.30am Morning Service  
6.30pm CTF United Service

**More details to follow  
All services online until further  
notice.**

## REGULAR STUFF

**Leadership Team** – usually monthly first Tuesday.

Next Meeting – **Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> February** at 7.30pm (on Zoom)

**Church Meeting** – usually bi-monthly second Tuesday.

Next meeting - **Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> March** at 7.30pm. (on Zoom).

**Prayer Meetings** – monthly on first Saturday

Next meeting – **Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> February** at 9.30am (Via Zoom)

#### Discontinuing of live services at Church

There will be no activities live at the church premises until after Lockdown, when the situation will be reviewed. Online services and activities continue as normal.

#### Got a notice for the Sheet?

**Fellowship prayer** requests go to **Steve** by **Friday morning**

**Notices** for the weekly sheet to **Lisa R** by **Friday evening**

#### January Birthdays

26<sup>th</sup> Michael B and Steve P,  
30<sup>th</sup> Betty H

### Small Groups

**Felixstowe Evening Group  
(Margaret Lines/Ingrid Fenn)**

Mondays (not currently meeting)

**Trimley Evening Group  
(Andrew Marfleet)**

Mondays Fortnightly (not currently meeting)

**Old Felixstowe Daytime Group  
(Steve Lineham)**

2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Mondays on Zoom.  
Contact Steve L for details.

**Felixstowe Morning Group  
(Brian and Dot Salway)**

Thursdays **Contact Brian and Dot.**

### Unity Week

**Monday 18<sup>th</sup> January - Community Prayers @ 11.00am on Zoom.** We shall be focussing on the Port, Seafarers' Centre and Port and Ship Chaplains. Connect via Zoom. Meeting number: 849 0942 4793 Passcode: 454104

**Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> January - United Service @ 6.30pm on YouTube.** The service will also be available afterwards. Keynote Speaker: Gareth Thomas. Connection details for the service and a Zoom gathering afterwards will appear on social media and the CTF website later this week. [www.churchestogetherfelixstowe.org](http://www.churchestogetherfelixstowe.org).

**Personal Pilgrimage** at any time during the week. Because we cannot hold our regular pilgrimage, we shall be offering the opportunity for individuals to pray on their daily exercise or "virtually" in their prayers at home. **A sheet with details is enclosed.**

**Daily Prayer Guide** will be posted daily during the Week of Prayer. If you want a printable version or have it all at once, go to the CTF website.

### Rev Ron Rivers

We are sad to announce that Ron Rivers sadly passed away recently at Ipswich Hospital. He was Minister of this church from 1975 to 1989, and in retirement he and Sheila continued to make a significant contribution to the life of the church. We pray for the family at this sad time but also with the knowledge that he is with his Lord, so our parting is for a season. His funeral will be family only on February 10<sup>th</sup> and there will be a Memorial Service later this year.



#### Walton Parish Nursing Contacts

Lorna Bellamy	07969901001	Tues/Weds/Thurs 9.00 am - 4.00 pm
John Gillett	07909888703	Tues/Thurs 8.30 am - 4.30 pm



## Personal Pilgrimage 2021

This year we cannot have our regular prayer pilgrimage. However we invite you to pray for our local churches in Felixstowe and villages on your daily exercise at church buildings (and even going in of open for private prayer) and praying for their ministry during the period 18<sup>th</sup> -25<sup>th</sup> January. Some will have prayer items conspicuously displayed. Where and when you visit is up to you, but *please observe all Lockdown rules and guidance to keep local and avoid unnecessary contact with others*. Or why not do a “virtual pilgrimage” by praying for a selection of churches daily during the week at home? Here is the list of CTF churches grouped into localities.

### **Old Felixstowe**

St Andrew  
St Peter & St Paul  
St Nicholas at the Ferry

### **Kirton & Falkenham**

St Ethelbert, Falkenham  
Kirton Methodist Church  
St Mary & St Martin, Kirton

### **Central Felixstowe**

Convent of Jesus & Mary  
Ranelagh Road Christian Fellowship  
St Felix RC Church  
St John the Baptist  
Salvation Army

Trinity Methodist Church  
United Reformed Church

### **Felixstowe West & South**

Christ Church  
River of Life Church  
St Edmund

### **Walton & Trimley**

St Mary's, Walton  
Maidstone Rd Baptist Church  
Seaton Rd Methodist Church  
Quaker Meeting, Trimley Memorial Hall  
St Martin's, Trimley  
Trimley Methodist Church  
Trimley Free Church