



All Saints Church Langton Green

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September 2026 Newsletter

So many new things to look forward to in September, after the raging heat we have had this summer it such a blessing to have the cooler months ahead. As our children start their new schools and classes with new uniforms and pencil case, they have the opportunity to make new friends and start a new adventure. As we grow older and many things tend to stay the same, I wonder if there is a tendance to forget the joy that new things, however small, bring because life feels more humdrum. Find your inner child and look for the joy in life. The colours of autumn are already changing, and the rain has washed the dust away. If you would like to start something new why not come along to Rev Rob's new prayer meeting on a Tuesday morning, on the third Tuesday of each month 10.30-11.15am. Rob will be around after the prayer meeting if anyone wants to chat/tea/coffee etc.

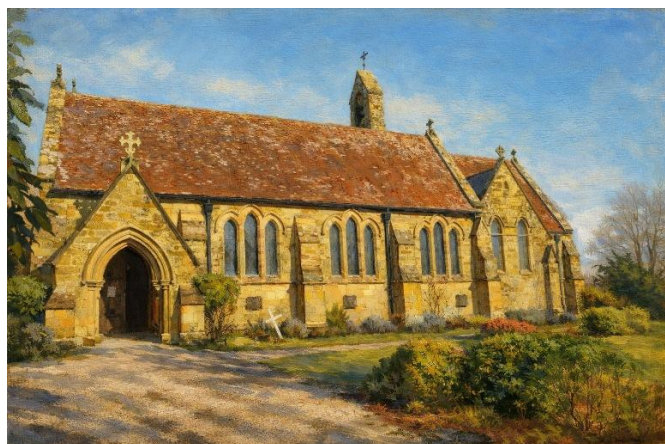
If you are a parent who is looking at Christian secondary schools and would like advice or forms signed for Bennett Memorial School or St Greg's, do come and talk to Emma or me after the service in church. We will be very happy to help.

Lesley Westaway has been very busy setting up a volunteering display at the back of church. There are lots of different ways that you can help at church and many jobs are very simple and quick to do but really help us. As they say many hands make light work. Do have a look at the volunteering information page in the newsletter.

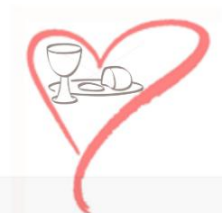
Hope to see you soon

Sally-Anne Gatherern (churchwarden)





Worship/Services in church for **September**

	8.00 am Contemplative Communion <i>Nearly every Sunday with some Service of the Word services</i>
	Sunday 6th & 27th September 9.00 am Chocolate Church: Please book your table by emailing or phone Sally-Anne Gathern sallyannegathern@gmail.com by the Thursday before.
	10.30 am Eucharist with congregational singing or a Service of the Word
	Sunday 13th & 20th September Build A Faith 8.00am in Gracespace A chance to share a Bible story through Godly Play and lots of brick building, models of our stories
	Prayer meeting with Rev Rob Hindmarch Every third Tuesday 10.30am to 11.15am This will be followed with coffee and chat for anyone who would like to be involved

Readings for September

We are always happy to welcome new readers so if you could offer one Sunday a month or more, then please get in touch with a member of the team. We use the NIV UK Bible and you can search for the readings on the Biblegateway.com

Date	Day	Old Testament	New Testament	Gospel
6th Sept	14th Sunday after Trinity	Exodus 12:1-14	Romans 13:8-end	Matthew 18:15-20
13th Sept	15th Sunday after Trinity	Exodus 14:19-end	Romans 14:1-12	Matthew 18:21-35
20th Sept	16th Sunday after Trinity	Exodus 16:2-15	Philippians 1:21-end	Matthew 20:1-16
27th Sept	17th Sunday after Trinity	Exodus 17:1-7	Philippians 2:1-13	Matthew 21:23-32

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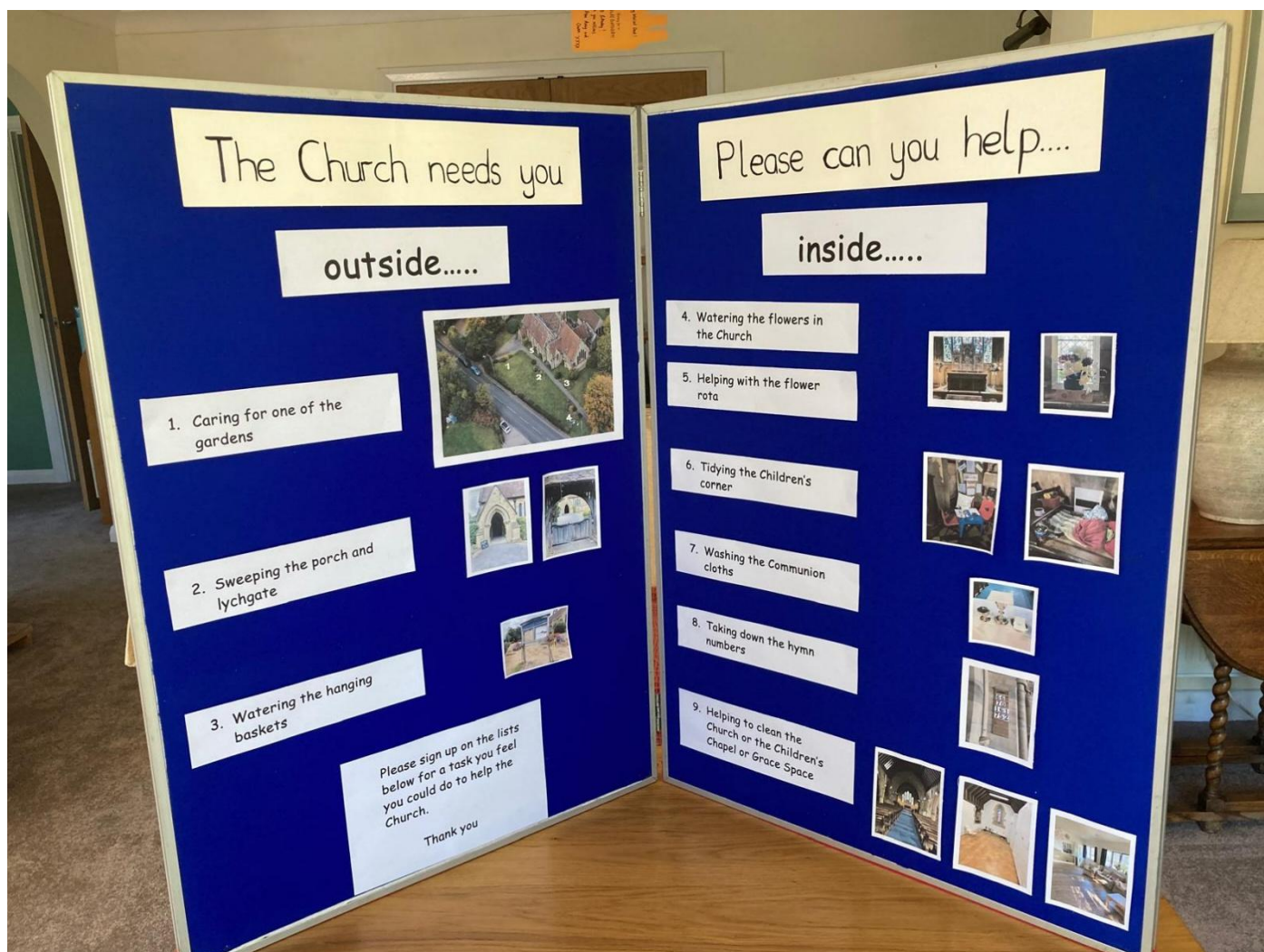
Please record any changes of the list in church

8 o'clock service

Date	Lead		
6th Sept	Rob Avery		
13th Sept	Rob Hindmarch		
20th Sept	Jane Edwards		
27th Sept	Rob Hindmarch		

10:30 service

Date	Lead	Readings	Intercessions
6th Sept	Rob Hindmarch	Emma Stevens	Emma Stevens
13th Sept	Sally-Anne or AH	Chris Gatherern	Louise Dean
20th Sept	<i>No Service at All Saints</i>		
27th Sept	Sally-Anne or AH	Louise Dean	Louise Dean



If you can sign up to help out with a job for church we would be very pleased to hear from you.

Lesley is your first point of contact but you are welcome to chat to Sally-Anne or Emma if you want to know more or have other ideas to offer.

There are simple sign up sheets in church. We are looking forward to working with you.

OUTSIDE TASKS

Name _____

1. Caring for the gardens

No. 1. _____

No. 2. _____

No. 3. _____

No. 4. _____

No. 5. _____

2. Sweeping the porch and the lychgate

3. Watering the hanging baskets

INSIDE TASKS

Name _____

4. Watering church flowers

5. Helping with the flower rota

6. Tidying the children's corner

7. Washing communion cloths

8. Taking down hymn numbers

9. CLEANING

Please sign up for the dates you can help

Task	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
Chapel							
Grace Space							
Children's Chapel							
Communion							
Choir							
Organ							
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Who chooses the Hymns for our 10:30 service?

All Saints Church is a member of the Royal School of Church Music. As a member we receive a quarterly publication which suggests hymns and music for each Sunday relating to the Readings set for that day in the Lectionary. The Hymns are carefully chosen bearing in mind the following considerations.

1. We consult the RSCM magazine in the first instance
2. As we have no choir at present to lead the singing, our second consideration is to choose hymns that are well-known to the All Saints congregation.
3. We are fortunate to have a small group of organists who play for our services so we try to choose hymns that they will know.
4. We have in the past invited members of the congregation to list their favourite hymns - another list we use.
5. Finally we try to choose hymns which are uplifting, not too long and with easy predictable tunes and rhythm.

We meet every two-three months and the process usually takes the whole morning.

Four hymns are chosen. We then decide where they best fit in the service. Each hymn has a special name according to where it is in the Order of Service

I – Introit

G – Gradual

O – Offertory

R – Recessional (A mnemonic - think of **IGOR** Stravinsky)!

During the **Introit**, traditionally the choir and Clergy process to their places or it is simply the opening hymn or gathering.

The **Gradual** is sung just before the reading of the Gospel

The **Offertory** hymn is sung when the bread and wine are brought to the altar and sometimes the collection is taken.

The **Recessional** hymn is sung at the very end of the service

Ann and Robby



Church Diary - SEPTEMBER



Day	Date	What's On
Tuesday	1 st	
Wednesday	2 nd	Afternoon Tea in Gracespace at 2.30pm
Thursday	3 rd	
Friday	4 th	
Saturday	5 th	
Sunday	6 th	8am Holy Communion service and 10.30am Chocoloate Church 9am in Gracespace
Monday	7 th	
Tuesday	8 th	Little Saints Toddler Group in Gracespace Mother's Union Meeting with talk from Jean Meadows
Wednesday	9 th	
Thursday	10 th	
Friday	11 th	
Saturday	12 th	Ride and Stride around the Kent churches
Sunday	13 th	8am Service of the word and Build A Faith 10.30am Holy Communion service in main church
Monday	14 th	
Tuesday	15 th	Little Saints Toddler Group in Gracespace Prayer Meeting with Rev Rob Hindmarch
Wednesday	16 th	Thrive Coffee Morning in Gracespace
Thursday	17 th	
Friday	18 th	
Saturday	19 th	
Sunday	20 th	8am Holy Communion service in main church 10.30am No service here due to the half marathon but a great opportunity to worship at 10am baptism service at St Mary's Speldhurst
Monday	21 st	
Tuesday	22 nd	Little Saints Toddler Group in Gracespace
Wednesday	23 rd	
Thursday	24 th	
Friday	25 th	
Saturday	26 th	
Sunday	27 th	8am and 10.30am service in main church 9am CHOCOLATE CHURCH in Gracespace
Monday	28 th	
Tuesday	29 th	Little Saints Toddler Group in Gracespace
Wednesday	30 th	

Let Sally-Anne know if you want to add information about church related groups to this calendar page by the 24th September ready for the next issue.



After discussions at the last PCC meeting, Rob has decided to start a monthly prayer meeting on the third Tuesday of each month 10.30-11.15am. This is mostly for church members who are able to come during the day. Prayers will be centred around our local community and our church

September 15th - PCC/leaders, local schools, the term ahead

October 20th - Nourish Foodbank & Little Saints

November 17th - Christians in the workplace, church family needs

December 15th - Christmas events and services

Tea/Coffee and chat with Rob after the prayer meeting



Prayer Patch Update SEPTEMBER 2026

Please keep this prayer list close by so we create a loving, supportive community in Langton.

Last month we worked our way through the Lord's Prayer and prayer development, please pray for those who are new to prayer and ask for support and guidance to encourage them in their faith. Encourage us to come and talk to God as a friend who knows us really well.

To encourage our Church PCC to continue its work to keep our church community stable and positive with our active worship and services, our clubs and meetings bringing people together.

Please continue to pray for our church groups Mother's Union, Little Saints, Afternoon tea, Chocolate Choir, mindfulness groups, knit and natter, crochet group, children's learning activities, and all that is offered in Gracespace, that these may be times of friendship and joy in the community.

We pray for all the children who are starting new schools, classes, colleges or university, may they find inspiring teachers, friends who are supportive and fun and new adventures to try, all surrounded by God's love and guidance along the way.

THRIVE whose events we support, through hosting and promoting their well-being activities; that this developing charity will be granted longevity and grow from strength to strength as it seeks to help all in the village recover a strong sense of wellbeing. We also ask God's blessing for the community garden project.

For increased financial support and stability for our church so that we may in turn nurture and support our wider community.

For those whose family members are struggling with significant mental health issues; please pray for the children, their siblings and parents; for those who play key roles in their lives, like teachers, social workers and their friends.

Please also keep the listed people below in your prayers. Thank you for ensuring no one is forgotten.

WE HAVE REVIEWED OUR PRAYER LIST SO PLEASE LET ME KNOW IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO CONTINUE OR TAKE OFF NAMES YOU HAVE ADDED .

**Clara and Hugh
Fiona
Emma M**

**Louisa Nelson
John**

**Robert
Millicent
Jacqui L**

**Sarah
Chris
Amy N**

We remember Margaret Noble whose funeral will be on Monday 21st September at 2.00pm at All Saints Church here



Thrive Coffee Mornings

in Gracespace at 10.30-12.00

All welcome, especially people struggling with memory problems.

Dates for your 2026 diary

Wednesday 16th September

21st October

18th November

16th December

Afternoon Tea

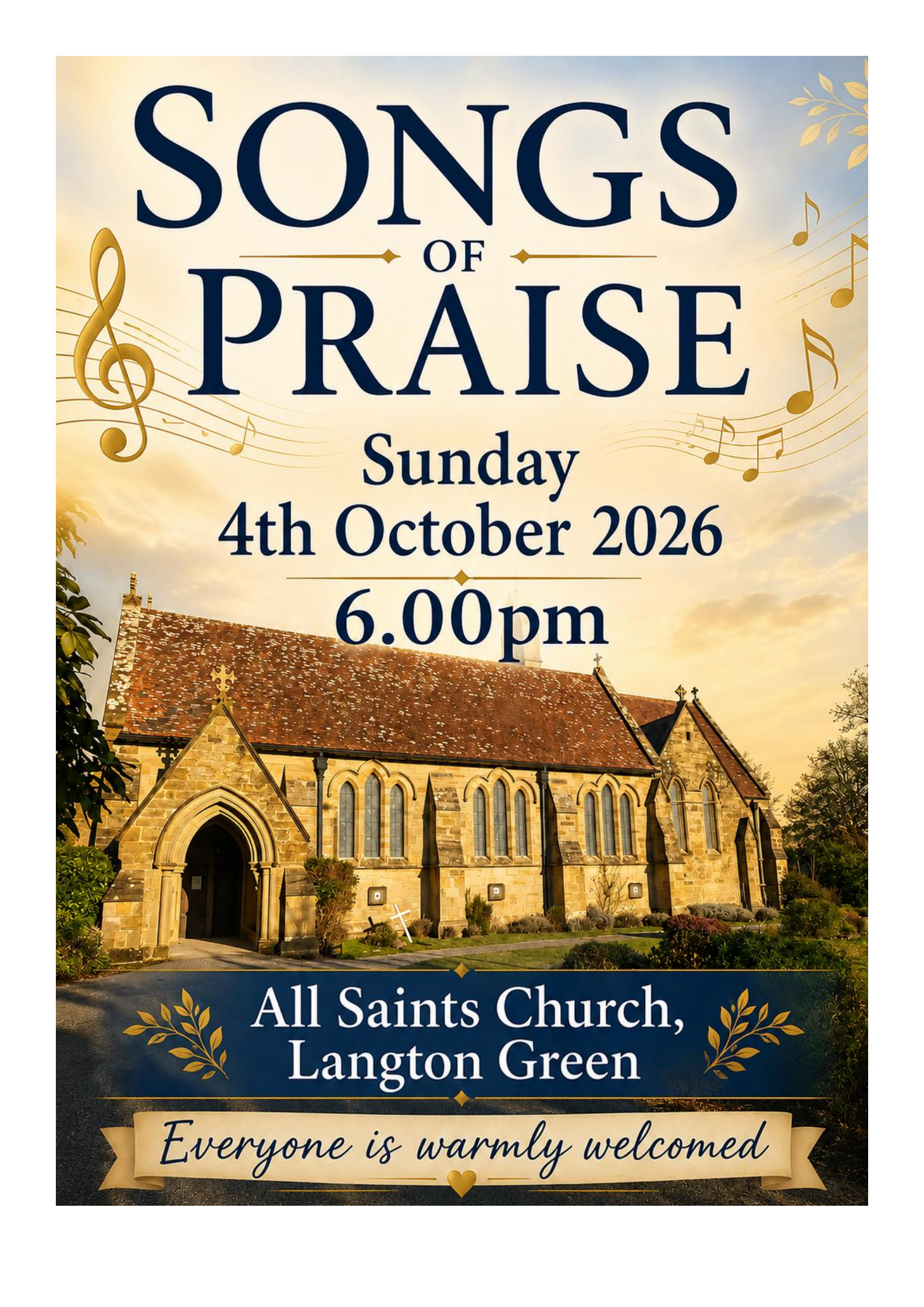
This is a wonderful social occasion,
and all are very warmly welcome.

Lesley and Christine
will be delighted to see you
and offer delicious cakes and tea.

**Wednesday 2nd September
Wednesday 7th October and
Wednesday 4th November
in Gracespace
2.30pm to 3.30pm**

No cost involved but donations welcome.





SONGS OF PRAISE

Sunday
4th October 2026
6.00pm

All Saints Church,
Langton Green

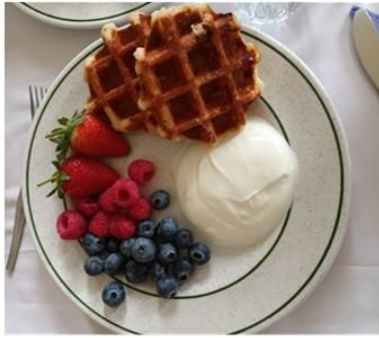
Everyone is warmly welcomed



Mother's Union Meeting Tuesday 8th September 2.00pm

Mother's Union will be meeting in Gracespace for their usual monthly meeting. This month they have a talk from Jean Meadows, from St James' church in Tunbridge Wells. Jean is talking about her visit to Tanzania to work with the Mother's Union out there. All ladies are very warmly welcome to attend and to join Mother's Union if they would like.

Please reach out to Penny Woodford our Branch leader if you would like more information. 01892 862562



Come and join us for breakfast and Godly Play

We would love to see you.

Sunday 6th & 27th September

Sunday 4th & 25th October

Sunday 1st & 29th November

9.00am to 10.00am

We will be telling our Godly Play Bible Story and I promise a yummy chocolate breakfast with pancakes, pain au chocolate and waffles. Please let me know by the **THURSDAY before** for booking a table place. If you have not been before, this is a lovely way to nurture faith gently as a family, in a fun way. A donation would be gratefully received on the day.

**You can book through Sally-Anne Gatherern on
sallyannegatherern@gmail.com or phone me on
01892 822261 or 07761 533729**



Little Saints

Tuesday mornings
9.30am until 11.30am
In Gracespace



Friendly space for mums and carers
to get together with activities ready for
their little ones to enjoy.

Come and enjoy a natter and cake
We would love to see you
For more information please call
Jess Owens on 07796 075486





Men's Walking Group

Our Men's Walking Group usually meets every first Saturday each month. Starting in Gracespace for a bacon butty and a cuppa and then heading out for a walk locally.

If you would like more information please contact
Mark Gamble on 07957872111 or
Email mjg@hunterfd.co.uk

Our next walk is on Saturday 29th August
Meeting at 9.30am
(Normally runs on first Saturday each month)





Do you enjoy crochet or knitting?

**Would you like to support your local
baby loss charity and meet new friends?**

**If you answered yes to the above then
please join us at one of our knitting events,
The Big Knit.**



Date: 10th October 2026
Venue: Rochester Cathedral,
Kent ME1 1SX
Time: 10am - 1pm
Entry: Free

Contact:

Jody Deamer:
jody@makingmiracles.org.uk
07784 287 749



Date: 9th October 2026
Venue: St Luke's Church,
Sevenoaks TN13 1XT.
Time: 10am - 1pm
Entry: Free

Contact:

Sarah Rogers:
lukesevenoaks.office@gmail.com
07989 622 220



**Scan to
sign up or
find out more**

Useful contact details

PCC.

Churchwardens:

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Emma Stevens 07900245331 contact@langtonggreenchurch.com

Treasurer: Mark Gamble 01892 862194

PCC members:

Trish Fearnley (Secretary)	Mark Gamble	
Matthew Gatherern	Antonia James	Mark Prior
Dave Ling	Lesley Westaway	Lara Bowyer-Sidwell

Deanery Synod Representatives: Ann Greenfield and Chris Gatherern

Health and Safety Officer: Chris Gatherern

Child Protection and Safeguarding Officer:

Ann Greenfield 01892 549105. annngfield@gmail.com

Deputy Child Protection and Safeguarding Officer:

Sally-Anne Gatherern 01892 822261 or 07761 533729 sallyannegatherern@gmail.com

Clergy

Revd Robert Hindmarch Priest in Charge rob.hindmarch@speldhurstchurch.org

Church Group Leaders:

Mothers 'Union: Penny Woodford 01892 862562

Chocolate church/children's chapel and Youth activities: Sally-Anne Gatherern 01892 822261 or 07761 533729 sallyannegatherern@gmail.com

Little Saints: Facebook page - Little Saints Langton Green

Coordinator Jess Owens 07796 075486

Please look at the website or Facebook page for news and updates

Website Langtonggreenchurch.com

Donations

If you do feel able to, a regular modest contribution would be of great help and would be very gratefully received. The QR Code or link below will take you to our parish giving scheme and enable you to set up a direct debit with the minimum of fuss. Thank you so much.

<https://www.parishgiving.org.uk/my-pgs/parish/63866/landing-page/>

