



All Saints Church Langton Green

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October 2026 Newsletter

Dear Friends,

In today's busy world, with so many distractions, temptations and struggles, how do we live our lives well? How worried should we be about the rapid expansion of AI? What do we have faith in, what or who are we hoping for, and who do we love? Who are we trying to please? And what are we waiting for? What happens when we die?

These are a few of the common questions that we're all probably asking in some shape or form. But what does it look like to live as faithful Christians? How did the early Christians live their lives? In one of Saint Paul's earliest letters, we get to hear how to live a life of faith, hope and love, following and waiting for the return of Jesus. Join us at our 8am or 10.30am Service as we study the first letter to the Thessalonians and discover how to live a life worthy of God. The series starts on 18 th October – why not read through the letter beforehand and jot down any questions

you have? This Sunday 4 th October at 6.00pm there will be a Songs of Praise service and anyone who would like to be part of the 'scratch choir' is invited to take part. There is a rehearsal at 5.00pm. Everyone welcome!

A new Monthly Prayer Meeting started in September and anyone is welcome to join me for prayer on the third Tuesday of every month at 10.30am. There will be a set topic of prayer for each month and this month, on October 20 th , we will be praying for Nourish Foodbank and the local churches.

Four children are due to get baptised on Sunday 1 st November at 10.30am. Please do come along to support them and welcome them into the church family. There is also a baptism service for any young people (11+) and adults who would like to get baptised, on Sunday 25 th October at 10.00am, at St Mary's Church Speldhurst. Please get in touch if you would like to find out more.

If you have not tried Chocolate Church or Build A Faith we would love to welcome you to our next service. Chocolate Church does not need to involve chocolate! It is a beautiful family breakfast followed by a Godly play style Bible story and prayers. It is a time to wonder with your family about important Christian beliefs in an informal fun setting. We run on the first and last Sunday of each month usually at 9am (but please let us know if earlier would work better for you. Build A Faith runs on the middle two Sundays each month at 8am. We share a Godly Play Bible story and prayers, then build Lego brick models of the story. If you would like more information on either or to book a table for Chocolate Church please contact Sally-Anne Gatheron on sallyannegatheron@gmail.com We look forward to seeing you soon.

With my best wishes and prayers,

Rob

Rev. Rob Hindmarch, Priest in Charge

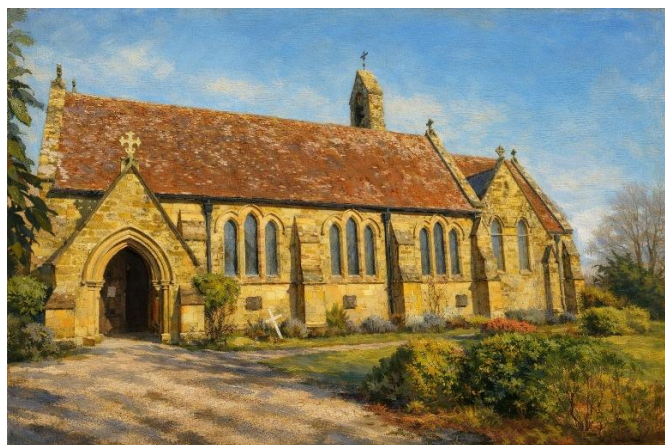
St Mary's Speldhurst,

St John's Groombridge,

St Martin's Ashurst,

All Saints Langton Green





Worship/Services in church for **October**

	8.00 am Contemplative Communion <i>Nearly every Sunday with some Service of the Word services</i>
	Sunday 4th & 25th October 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 11th & 18th 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 October

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
4th Oct	18th Sunday after Trinity	Exodus 20:1-4,7-9,12-20	Philippians 3:4b-14	Matthew 21:33-end
11th Oct	19th Sunday after Trinity	Exodus 32:1-14	Philippians 4:1-9	Matthew 22:1-14
18th Oct	20th Sunday after Trinity	Exodus 33:12-end	1 Thessalonians 1:1-10	Matthew 22:15-22
25th Oct	21st Sunday after Trinity	Deuteronomy 43:1-12	1 Thessalonians 2:1-8	Matthew 22:34-end

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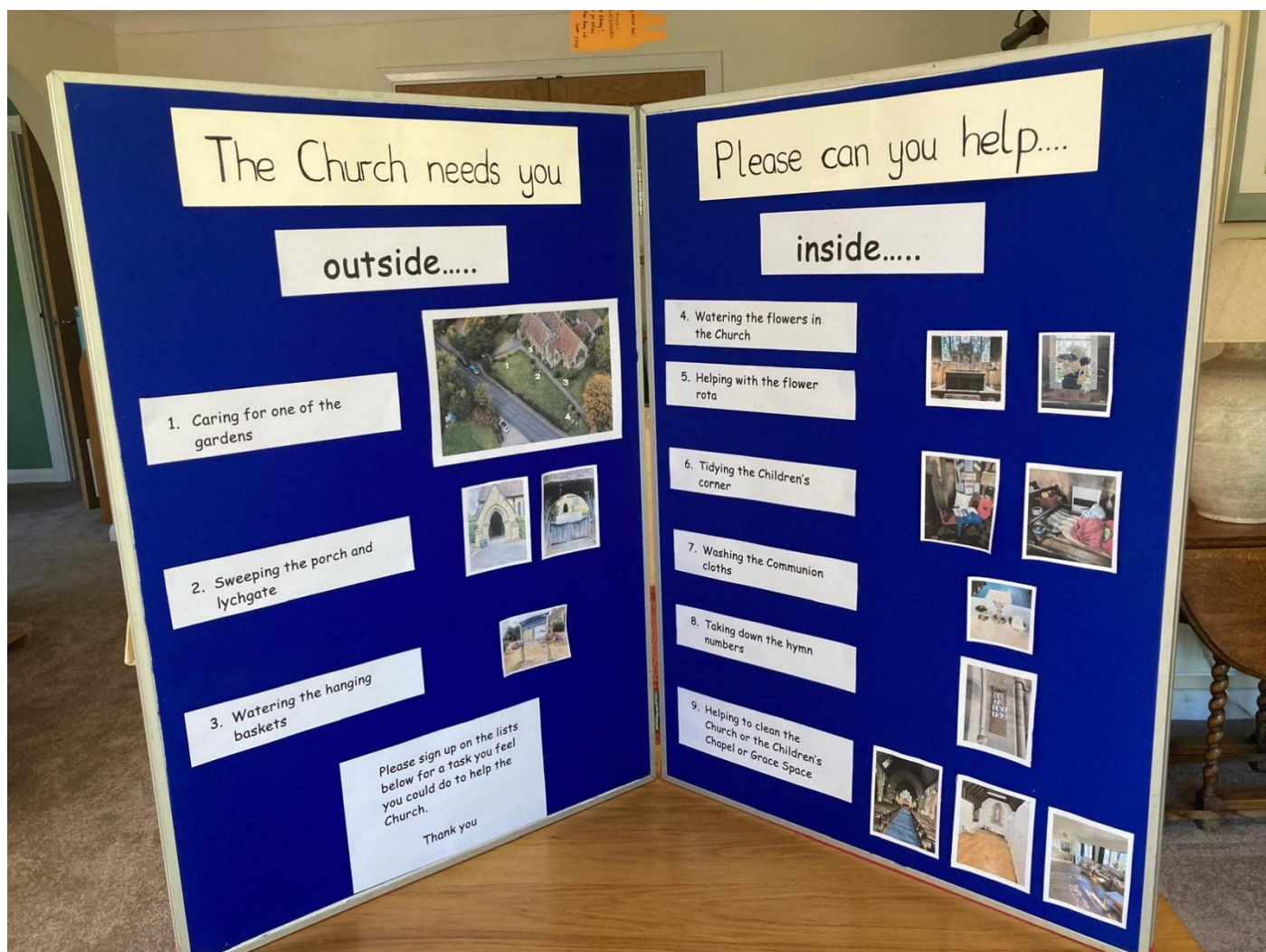
Please record any changes of the list in church

8 o'clock service

Date	Lead		
4th Oct	Rob Avery		
11th Oct	Rob Hindmarch		
18th Oct	Sheila Perkins		
25th `Oct	Sheila Perkins		

10:30 service

Date	Lead	Readings	Intercessions
4th Oct	Jane Edwards	Please ask Sally-Anne if you need details.	
11th Oct	Rob Hindmarch		
18th Oct	Sheila Perkins		
25th oct	Sheila Perkins		



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.

9. CLEANING			
Please sign up for the dates you can help			
Room	Room No.	Room Name	Room No.
Room 1	101	Room 1	101
Room 2	102	Room 2	102
Room 3	103	Room 3	103
Room 4	104	Room 4	104
Room 5	105	Room 5	105
Room 6	106	Room 6	106
Room 7	107	Room 7	107
Room 8	108	Room 8	108
Room 9	109	Room 9	109
Room 10	110	Room 10	110
Room 11	111	Room 11	111
Room 12	112	Room 12	112
Room 13	113	Room 13	113
Room 14	114	Room 14	114
Room 15	115	Room 15	115
Room 16	116	Room 16	116
Room 17	117	Room 17	117
Room 18	118	Room 18	118
Room 19	119	Room 19	119
Room 20	120	Room 20	120

Church Diary - OCTOBER

Day	Date	What's On
Thursday	1 st	
Friday	2 nd	
Saturday	3 rd	
Sunday	4 th	8am Holy Communion service and 10.30am Chocolate Church 9am in Gracespace SONGS OF PRAISE AT 6PM
Monday	5 th	
Tuesday	6 th	Little Saints Toddler Group in Gracespace Mother's Union Meeting
Wednesday	7 th	Afternoon Tea in Gracespace at 2.30pm
Thursday	8 th	
Friday	9 th	
Saturday	10 th	
Sunday	11 th	HARVEST FESTIVAL 8am Holy Communion & Build A Faith 10.30am Family service in main church
Monday	12 th	
Tuesday	13 th	Little Saints Toddler Group in Gracespace
Wednesday	14 th	
Thursday	15 th	
Friday	16 th	
Saturday	17 th	
Sunday	18 th	8am Service and Build A Faith 10.30am Holy Communion service in main church
Monday	19 th	
Tuesday	20 th	Little Saints Toddler Group in Gracespace Prayer Meeting with Rev Rob Hindmarch
Wednesday	21 st	Thrive Coffee Morning in Gracespace
Thursday	22 nd	
Friday	23 rd	
Saturday	24 th	
Sunday	25 th	8am and 10.30am service in main church 9am CHOCOLATE CHURCH in Gracespace
Monday	26 th	
Tuesday	27 th	Little Saints Toddler Group in Gracespace
Wednesday	28 th	8am Holy Communion service and 10.30am Chocolate Church 9am in Gracespace
Thursday	29 th	
Friday	30 th	
Saturday	31 st	



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

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 OCTOBER 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 our local farms and small holdings who are harvesting at this time of year, we thank you for the bountiful gifts you give us. Help us to share these gifts with compassion and generosity.

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**

**Louisa Nelson
John**

**Robert
Millicent
Jacqui L**

**Sarah
Chris
Amy N**

We remember Margaret Dick-Cleland whose funeral will be on Thursday 22nd September at 12.30pm 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

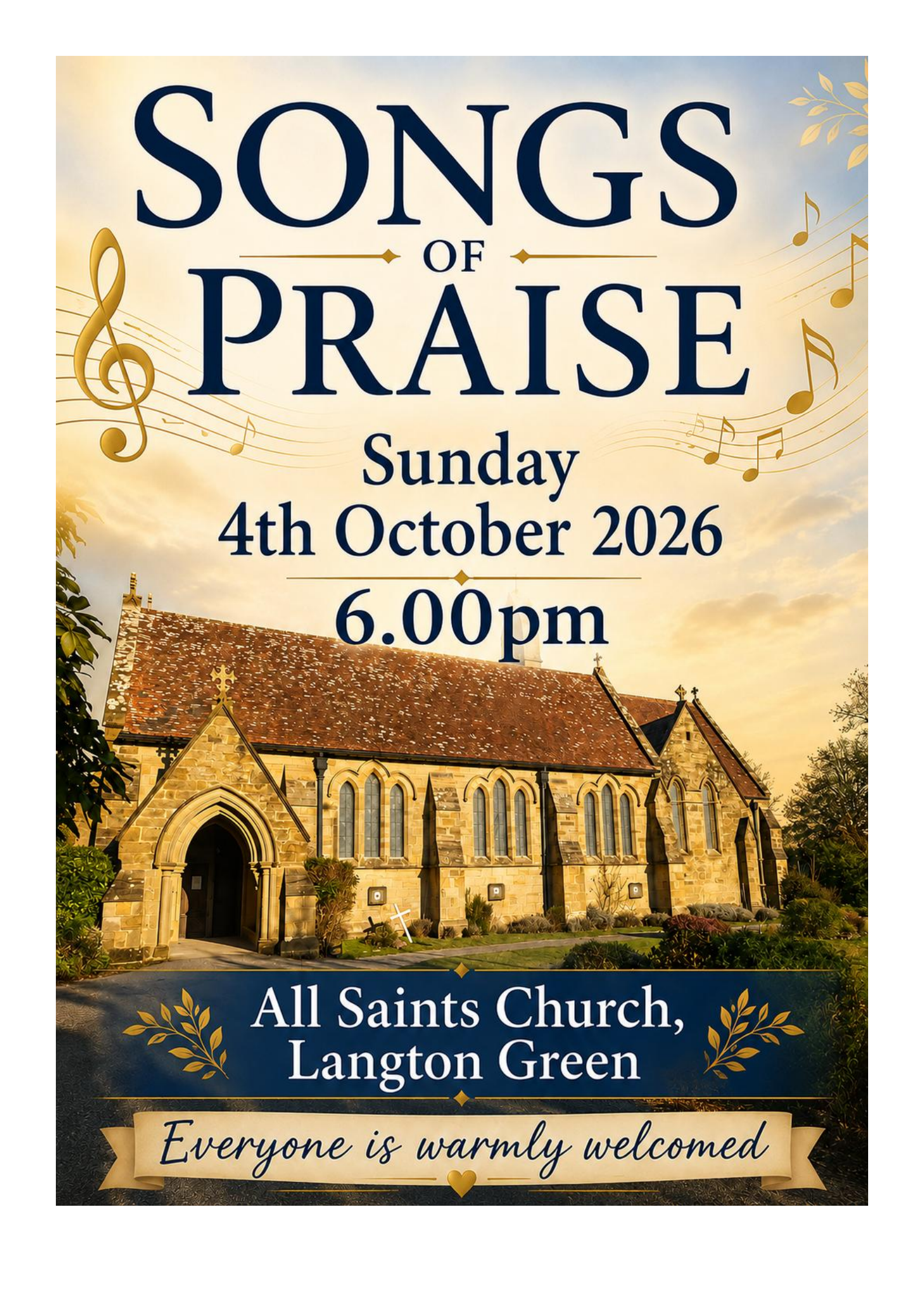
This is a wonderful social occasion,
and all are very warmly welcome.

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

Songs of Praise

Pop Up Choir

If you love singing and would like to be part of our pop up choir on Sunday 4th October please come to church ready to practise our hymns at 5pm

Come and Have Fun





The Diocese of Rochester is linked with the Diocese of Kondoa in Tanzania.

The **Church and Community Mobilisation Project** is supported by churches and school in the Rochester Diocese including St James Church in Tunbridge Wells.

Jean Meadows has visited Tanzania and seen firsthand the work that is going on in the villages supported by their local Mothers Union. She gave us an interesting illustrated talk on her visit and explained what this project is aiming to achieve.

Kondoa is a very poor region even by Tanzanian standards and there farming is adversely affected by conditions brought about by Climate change.

The Bible College trains the clergy not only in spiritual ministry but also in ways of leading the transformation of their communities through practical action. Local people are encouraged to recognise the resources and opportunities they have and adapt their farming methods and the crops they can grow to provide food and generate income to build their communities, provide education and infrastructure.

Jean showed several slides to illustrate the work there.

We also welcomed members from Speldhurst Mothers Union and invited members of All Saints to join us.

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 Gathern on

sallyannegathern@gmail.com or phone me on

01892 822261 or 07761 533729



Build A Faith

Come to Build A Faith and let your imagination
build on our Bible stories.

A Fun Way in Faith

For any children who would like to have fun and enjoy
church.

Relaxed space to enjoy building and share a story.

Sunday 11th & 18th October 2026

Sunday 15th & 22nd November 2026

8am (while the main service is on)

In Gracespace

Sally-Anne and Tricia would love to see you

Any questions please contact Sally-Anne

sallyannegathern@gmail.com

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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 3rd October
And Saturday 7th November
Meeting at 9.30am





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**

Gracespace Hall Bookings

If you are interested in using the Gracespace hall attached to the church, it is available for people to hire on a one off bases or for our community groups to use on regular sessions .

We have got a new bookings coordinator Irene Smith

You can email or phone

irenehsmith@gmail.com or 01892 862619

Irene will be able to help you contact the right people if you need help while in Gracespace and book hall sessions etc

More information about bookings will be coming out in November when Irene will officially start



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

Website Langtongreenchurch.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/>



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