"May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit" Romans 15:13

Folkestone Baptist Church
LOVE GOD, LOVE PEOPLE, MAKE DISCIPLES

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Prayer points

Pastoral:
In Hospital:
Rehabilitation: making good progress
At home: Edith, Madeleine, Gloria, Chris, Ruth, Pauline S. Di & Harold H. Bunny P. Sue B. Nellie, Rupa and family.
Friends and Family:
Barbara J;
Pray for the Church Finances, the Fellowship and the Leadership Team in the discernment of the ongoing vision and how best to use members of the fellowship. The need for volunteers in the many areas of FBC ministry.

Roads around FBC: Stanbury Cres **Capel:** Green Lane.

Local: pray for those struggling with bills as winter closes in and temperatures drop..

National: Pray for the present situation within the media industry.

International: Pray for those in Gaza who are suffering seemingly from both Hamas and IDF; those suffering from violent militias, poverty and political instability in the DRC; humanitarian workers in Zambia and Mozambique; pray for improved access to fresh water and sanitation in many African and Asian nations; for the work of the Leprosy Mission; for COP31 that it will make some meaningful progress; for the latest peace talks between Ukraine and Russia; for the cessation of corruption across the world

In Loving Memory

November is a month of memories - from All Saints to Remembrance Day, via Guy Fawkes on the 5th. We promise to remember. Remembering can be good, even when it is sometimes painful. We remember with gratitude and love those we have lost. Just because someone we love dies it doesn't mean our love for them stops. While it may feel painful we don't regret the love. In loving memory, the good things we had from them continue to live.

But some memories are not loving. There are memories of old disputes and feuds. Old wars are replayed, prejudices and resentments passed on. It's easy to forget in these ecumenical times how much the retelling of the history of the Gunpowder Plot fuelled anti-catholic feeling for centuries. In national and individual lives grudges are held and replayed. St Paul said in his famous passage about love that "love keeps no record of wrongs" (1 Corinthians 13:5). May all our memories be loving and all that is not loving be laid to rest.

Ladies Social Events
All occur on Saturdays

12th December 3pm - 6pm Christmas Crafts

Nativity Play Rehearsal
29th November 2026
After the Service (12:00)
in the Worship Area

Diary

November
22nd Sunday: Church meeting and election of Officers and Deacons
29th Sunday: Advent Sunday

December
6th Sunday: All age Nativity (talk to Katy Ruddle)
15th Tuesday: Community Carols
17th Thursday: Christmas Lunch (12:00)
17th Thursday: Christingle (17:30)
18th Friday: Carol service (Capel – St. Radigunds Church 19:00)
25th Friday: Christmas Day

Waiting for a King's Return
Amy Mantravadi

https://www.seenandunseen.com/arthur-aragorn-and-aslan-why-we-long-kings-return

Tim Yearsly: The Real Problem with Into the Quiet: I prefer the noise

https://www.seenandunseen.com/real-problem-quiet-i-prefer-noise

ELECTION of CHURCH OFFICERS and DEACONS

The next **Church Meeting** will be held on **Sunday 22nd November** after the morning service. This will include the annual election of Church Officers and Deacons.

Nominations are requested for the following:
Church Officers (annual appointments):
Church Administrator: This position is currently unoccupied.

Church Treasurer: Boaz Nyika is current Treasurer and is eligible for re-election

Pastor at Capel: Pam Barr is the current Pastor and is eligible for re-election.

Deacons (three-year appointments):
Hill Road: Four vacancies.
Capel: Two vacancies.

Nomination forms are available from Emma Brunton. Each nomination must be supported by two Church Members and will require the consent of the person nominated. Completed nominations must be returned to Emma by Sunday 15th November at the latest, please.

BMS Prayer Points

Praise God that Cambodia is open to the Gospel and pray for strengthening of the local churches. Pray For peace with surrounding countries. Praise God for the Childrens' ministry supported by BMS and the local BMS team; pray for Thongsy as she continues her raining, that she will remain steadfast; Give thanks for Pastor J's ministry and the baptism of Meng, now serving as a student leader; Praise God for the growth of Horaios Baptist Church, where Pastor J is Senior Pastor, and for the increased impact on students through the dormitory.

Youth and Family Workers Training

Online training programme for volunteer youth leaders available to UK Baptist churches

https://www.baptist.org.uk/Groups/296177/CYF_training.aspx

Regular Church Events

Tuesday:	House Groups
Thursday:	Pray Pause 11:30 Community Lunch 12pm Music Practice: 7:45pm House Group (10:30 am) and Messy Vintage (2:30pm) alternate weeks in Capel
Friday:	Craft Club: 2-4pm 1st Friday of the month Men's Group: 11am Chat and Bible study. Clifton Hotel
Saturday:	2nd Saturday of the month – Messy Church 3:00-4:30: Capel Prayer breakfast 9:30 Last Saturday of the month. Capel.
Sunday:	Church Service 10:30 am 1st Sunday – All Age Service 3rd Sunday - Communion

Ladies' Socials: See notices

Prayer Box
If would like prayer for someone or something; please leave a request in the prayer box (near the Dover Road entrance). All requests will be dealt with, in confidence
Prayers at Noon: Come to the church and pray together at 11:30am, or pray for the church where you are. Thursday 20th November Psalm 135

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Weekly news sheets and sermons available on the website.

Wifi: 'WorshipWifi'; password: 'alphaandomega'.