

BULLETIN



Forest Fold Baptist Church
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Proclaiming the Truth
Honouring the Lord
Serving the people

Forest Fold
Baptist Church

23rd August 2026

³⁵ Then Philip opened his mouth, and beginning with this Scripture he told him the good news about Jesus.

REGULAR WORSHIP TIMES:

Sunday: Prayer Time at 10.20 am; Services at 11.15 am & 6.30 pm -
Live streamed via our website

Thursdays: Prayer Meeting at 7.30 pm - not live streamed

Communion Service on the first Sunday each month at 3.00 pm

FORTHCOMING SERVICES:

Sun 23rd Aug 11.15 am John Cowley **Knowing Jesus Brings Joy** Acts 8 v26-40

Keagan Luke's Baptism during this service & refreshments afterwards

Sun 23rd Aug 6.30 pm John Cowley **A visit to Corinth** Acts 18 v1-17

Thurs 27th Aug 7.30 pm Prayer meeting, focus on praying for workers here & elsewhere

Sun 30th Aug 11.15 am Mark Philpott

Sun 30th Aug 6.30 pm John Cowley

Thursday 3rd Sept 7.30 pm Praise & Prayer

MEETINGS & NOTICES:

Fellowship Lunch is now planned for **6th September** instead of 13th September - **sign up sheet** on the foyer notice board

Thrive and Rooted return on Sunday 6th Sept - the teams are looking forward to welcoming back all the children and young people after a restful summer break

Sunday Prayer Time for Thrive & Rooted will restart on **6th September** at **10.20 am** - all are welcome

Thurs 17 Sept 7.30 pm Stanley Delves Trust AM at FF Steve Sharpe giving the address

Sat 10th October Forest Fold Women's Retreat 2026

'Made in God's Image' Speaker - Rebecca Whittaker

To book a place please speak to Esther for the online booking link

FF men - Email coming soon on autumn events. Please let John C know if you think you need to be added to the list

INFORMATION:

Worship services can be accessed from our **website** <https://forestfold.org.uk> by live video streaming. Use the "Listen Live" button. Video recordings are now available on the "Video" tab and sound recordings on the "Sermon Download" button or from the Forest Fold App. For friends **without internet access** services can now be heard through the telephone. To join our live streamed services dial **01892 335466**.

PRAY FOR:

- Cynthia, who is still seriously ill in hospital, awaiting a diagnosis
- Anyone with ongoing health issues, both physical and mental, that they will know God's peace
- Martin preaching at Belvedere church this morning
- The baptism service of Keagan Luke today
- The Holy Spirit's guidance as we begin advertising for an additional Assistant Pastor
- All those who have received exam results and are now planning their next steps

GIVE THANKS FOR:

- John, Mark and the Elders as they lead our church life week by week
- The cooler weather and refreshing rain
- Opportunities that holidays give us to spend time with friends and family
- The recent engagements of Emily & Tom, Elijah & Bekah and other couples within our wider church family. Congratulations to you all!

JAMES & RACHEL SWANSON:

The past few weeks have flown by and in some ways it feels like we have never been away (in a good way) we would still value your prayers as we fully settle back and really engage with what the Lord wants us to be focusing on as we go forward as always so much needing His guidance, wisdom and strength.

FINANCE:

July: Income £11,920 Spending £9,193

July: Charity of the Month: Caring for Life £602

August: Charity of the month: Grace Church, Brighton

Financial Questions should be sent to finance@forestfold.org.uk

There are **Giving Forms** in the entrance hall. Donations can generally be made via the Church bank account - details on "Charity of Month" information on the notice board. **Send all FF expense claims (including a note of the total amount) to** expenses@forestfold.org.uk

SAFEGUARDING DETAILS:

Our church safeguarders are Jean Hare (lead), Kate Bishop and Dave Holman. Any safeguarding concerns please email: safeguard@forestfold.org.uk

BOOKING THE CHURCH HALL:

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