



Hardwick Happenings

Sunday, 05 April 2026 ~ Easter Sunday

10:30am

Scripture: Isaiah 54

[Series: Isaiah.]

Preacher: Matt Oliver

6:00pm

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Activities this week

Monday, 06 April

Church Picnic 11am
See notices on page 3 for details

Tuesday, 07 April

Prayer @ Church 9:00am

Wednesday, 08 April

Prayer on Zoom 1:00pm
Prayer Meeting 7:30pm

Thursday, 09 April

Prayer @ Church 9:00am
Men's Fellowship 6:30pm
Meal at church

Friday, 10 April

Prayer @ Church 7:00am
Knit, Craft, and Share 10:00am

Sunday, 12 April 2026

am Leviticus 1-6:7

Preacher: Matt Oliver

pm 2 Peter 1:1-2

Preacher: Matt Oliver

Hardwick Baptist Church, Piper Knowle Road, Stockton-on-Tees, TS19 8JQ

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Count it all joy, my brothers, when you meet trials of various kinds, for you know that the testing of your faith produces steadfastness.

Prayer items

Our Church

Ladies Meeting

Praise

- We are thankful for the ladies who faithfully come every month.
- for Ruth playing the piano, for Graham and ladies who put the chairs out.
- for the ladies who make the tea and clear up afterwards.
- for the speakers who are willing to come.

Pray

- for the Lord's help with our health and needs.
- that in the meetings we do the Lord's will and bring him all the praise and worship especially in the main part of the meetings.

Mission

Open Doors Iran

Pray

- for the children of Iran. God's Word tells us that "Children are a heritage from the Lord, offspring a reward from him." *Psalms 127:3*
- for protection from violence, from fear and from being used in any way that puts them in harm's path.
- for protection over Christians in detention, especially in places like Evin Prison and other facilities where conditions are worsening. Ask God to protect them physically, emotionally and spiritually.
- for wisdom and courage for believers facing fear, displacement and uncertainty in their daily life.
- for healing for the nation, for an end to violence and for lasting peace.
- for the country's leadership. May God raise just, compassionate leaders and protect the country from further harm and bloodshed, along with the entire Middle East region.

- that the light of Christ would shine through the darkness, bringing hope and transformation to Iranian communities.

Other Churches

Hope Community Church, Gateshead – Pastor Chris Evans

Pray

- for Passion for Life, and Easter outreach, and that the congregation would want to, get the opportunity to, and be clear and gentle in giving a reason for the hope that they have.

Notices

Easter Monday, 06 April 2026 11am Picnic at Preston Park.
Bring a picnic lunch and a seat or a rug to sit on.
Meet between 11am -1pm on the grass area beside the overflow car park.
Lunch at noon.

Wednesday, 15 April 2026 7:30pm Creation Ministries International

Saturday, 20 June 2026 1pm Barbecue and Family Fun Day

Wednesday, 08 July 2026 7:30pm Church Business Meeting

Friday, 23 Oct to Sunday, 25 Oct 2026 Church Weekend Away

Friday, 04 December 2026 Church Christmas Meal

**Look at the birds of
the air: they neither
sow nor reap nor
gather into barns, and
yet your heavenly
Father feeds them.
Are you not of more
value than they?
*Matthew 6:26 ESV***



Resurrection

No sooner was Christmas over than Easter Eggs appeared in the shops. These, along with bunnies and chicks, represent 'new life' to those who do not know Jesus as their Saviour and Lord. For those who do know him, after the darkness of Good Friday, today is the most important life-affirming day of the year.

The Apostle Paul in his first letter to the Corinthian church wrote:

For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. `

1 Corinthians 1:18

Following Jesus' crucifixion, the disciples were in a malaise, not knowing what was going to happen to them. They clearly had not understood what Jesus had told them on several occasions, that he would rise again on the third day. And this was the day! The day that changed their lives, changed history and the lives of all those who have accepted Jesus as their Saviour and Lord since.

In *1 Corinthians 15* Paul addresses the issue of resurrection and makes it very clear to those who said there was no resurrection of the dead that if that was the case not even Christ had been raised. The fact is that Christ did rise from the dead and this was gospel that Paul affirmed and by which believers in the Lord Jesus Christ have the assurance that they too will also be raised from the dead.

On this resurrection day we can celebrate not only the wonderful fact of Jesus' resurrection but also the joy of knowing that because of this we too can be assured of our own resurrection when the time comes.

Graham Turner



Giving to Hardwick Baptist Church

To give financially to the Church, you can do so as follows:

1. Placing your gift in the offering box at back left of the main hall
2. Direct Giving using the church account details
Sort Code 09-01-54 Account Number. 5873 6082