



## Swaythling Baptist Church

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The next **work morning** is on Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> November. We will be getting the church ready for the winter weather.

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4th... Chris Aland, Carlton Calver



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