GOD LOVES YOU!



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Lord, you are my God; I will exalt you and praise your name, for in perfect faithfulness you have done wonderful things, things planned long ago.

Isaiah 25:1

Prayer Chain: If you'd like to request a prayer for yourself, or for someone you know, please email <u>kathy.cohen@btinternet.com</u> (or phone 01440 762536) and your message will be forwarded to all those on the prayer email list (about 150 people).

Prayer Ministry: This is available after morning service each Sunday. Please approach someone wearing a lime green lanyard which has the words Prayer Ministry Team printed on it.

Please remember our Churches Together online Prayer Wall <u>here</u>. **Hearing Loop:** We have a hearing loop, switch your hearing aid to the T position if available.

Mobile Phones: Please make sure your phone is off or set to silent before the service begins.

• Sunday Club- Light Party

Many thanks to everyone who attended, helped at, made cakes for, prayed for the Light Party last Sunday afternoon. We had 47 children attend, plus parents, grandparents and friends. Over half were not from Church. We had great fun with crafts, games, treasure hunt, glow sticks, hot dogs and learning more about being the light of God in the world.

















Sunday Club – Gift Day

A huge thank you to everyone who generously supported the gift day.

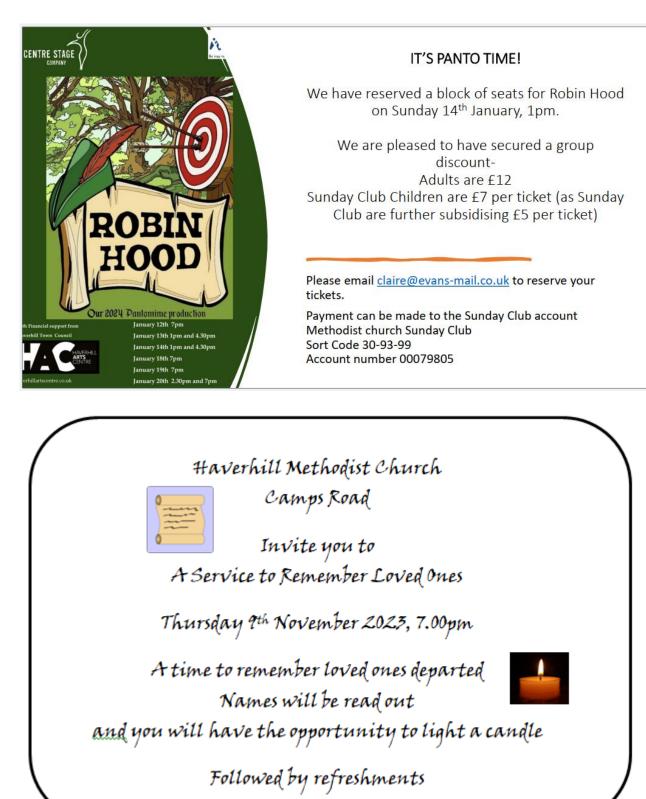
Your offering will go towards supporting the children and young people's work and we look forward to sharing news of our events with you!

A special thank you to Young at Heart for all your hard work making and selling knitted toys and gifts and raising over £470!

Thank you from all the Sunday Club Team, Children and Young people.



• Sunday Club - Panto



<u>Creative Prayer workshop – 18th November</u>

The Methodist Learning Network will be running a Creative Prayer Workshop here on Saturday 18th November, 3.30-5pm. Don't forget to book your place!

Full details on the poster attached with this edition of Connect.

• <u>Music Exams 22nd/23rd November</u>

Please be aware that there will be music exams going on all day in the church, the vestry and the coffee lounge on Wednesday 22nd and Thursday 23rd of November.

Please DO NOT ENTER these areas and be mindful of the noise you make around the building and in the car park. The young people taking these exams have practised long & hard, let's give them a fighting chance!

• Worship at the Meadows Care Home

The following date has been confirmed: Sunday 26th November

If you would like to join in with this, please meet at 2.45pm in the foyer of the Meadows.

Talk to Alan Carney for more details.01284 735214 or 07713 597956

• <u>Haverhill Singers Concert – 9th December</u>

Haverhill Singers will once again be putting on a concert for Christmas, here at 6pm on Saturday 9th December. Full details on the poster attached with this edition of Connect.

• Young at Heart

Young at Heart Group are now busy knitting small blue hearts and I wondered if there was anyone in our church could help us out. The pattern is simple and I can supply pattern and wool. If you could help us out please let me know. Janet

House Groups

There are 5 possible House Groups.

One is filled but there are spaces with David and Ann Frost 7.30-9 once a month; Charmaine Slade Thursday 10.30 twice a month; Sonja and Muritala Monday evening 1st and 3rd from 8.00; finally Dot and Tom Tuesdays at 2.30 on the 1st and 3rd of the month.

Please see me on Sunday to sign up for a group.

These Groups are a very good way to really get to know people and to study the Bible in greater depth. I very much recommend them. Heather • Big Christmas Card

From the beginning of December we will have our usual Big Christmas Card available for you to sign. The idea is that you don't send loads of cards to people in church but sign the big card instead and put the money saved into the charity donation pot by the card. The stewards have not yet decided which charity we will be supporting this year but will let you know soon.

• Getting to know you!

As last week, on entering the church you will be invited by the Door Steward to write your name on a sticky label and attach it to yourself, so that we all know who everyone is and who we're talking to. If you're not comfortable with doing this you don't have to, no worries.

On the same theme, I am still trying to build a photowall for the church hallway. Please send me a head & shoulders 'selfie' for this purpose – couples, one photo of both of you together Children are not included in these photos for safeguarding reasons and they do NOT go online.

If you're no good at 'selfies', speak to me and we can arrange to take your picture on a Sunday morning. Again, if you are not comfortable with this, just let us know, no problem.

So that my personal inbox is not swamped, please send photos to <u>haverhillmethodist.info@gmail.com</u>

Many thanks, Kathy

Advance Notice

On Sunday 26th November our Chair of the East Anglia District, Rev Julian Pursehouse, will be preaching here. Please book the date and come along.

Please let me know if/when your group is taking a Christmas break, so I can keep the Dates for Your Diary correct. Thank You.

Information for publication in Connect, or on the Sunday Morning Scroll may be emailed to: <u>kathy.cohen@btinternet.com</u>.

• Dates for your Diary

November		
5 th	10.30am	Preacher: Sarah Glasswell – All Age Worship then Bring &
		Share Lunch Flowers: Mrs J Stewart
		Prayer time from 10am in the church lounge
6 th	7.30-9pm	Open Mind in the Church Hall
7 th		Tuesday Prayer in Next Door (or in your own home)
8 th	10am-12	Open Mind in the Church Hall
	1-3pm	Young at Heart in the Church Hall
9 th	7.00pm	Remembrance of Loved Ones service with Rev Andy
-		Burrows
12 th	10.30am	Preacher: David Frost – Remembrance Sunday
		Flowers: Mr L Jacobs
		Prayer time from 10am in the church lounge
14 th	11am-12	Tuesday Prayer in Next Door (or in your own home)
15 th	10am-12	Open Mind in the Church Hall
	1-3pm	Young at Heart in the Church Hall
18 th	3.30-5pm	Creative Prayer Workshop @ HMC – details to follow
19 th	10.30am	Preacher: Andy Burrows – HC
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		Prayer time from 10am in the church lounge
21 st	11am-12	Tuesday Prayer in Next Door (or in your own home)
22 nd	10am-12	Open Mind in the Church Hall
	1-3pm	Young at Heart in the Church Hall
22 nd /23 rd	All day	Music exams in Church, Vestry & Coffee Lounge – No Entry
26 th	10.30am	Preacher: Rev Julian Pursehouse – Chair of the EA District
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		Prayer time from 10am in the church lounge
28 th	11am-12	Tuesday Prayer in Next Door (or in your own home)
29 th	10am-12	Open Mind in the Church Hall
	1-3pm	Young at Heart in the Church Hall
30 th	7- 8.30pm	Cubs Christingle in Church and Hall
December	•	
3 rd	10.30am	Preacher: Andy Burrows – Toy Service with Haverhill Town
		Mayor present to receive the toys Flowers: Mr A Coe
		Prayer time from 10am in the church lounge
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