### GOD LOVES YOU!





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### **Haverhill Methodist Church**

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### Friday 18<sup>th</sup> April 2025

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

John 3:16

**Prayer Chain:** If you'd like to request a prayer for yourself, or for someone you know, please email <a href="mailto:kathy.cohen@btinternet.com">kathy.cohen@btinternet.com</a> (or phone 01440 762536) and your message will be forwarded to all those on the prayer email list (about 200 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 here:

**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.



### Easter Sunday

Don't forget to bring a few flowers to decorate the Easter Cross, if you can.

### Funeral of Mollie LeRoy

Mollie's funeral will take place on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April at 12.30pm, here in church. All welcome!

Refreshments will be served in the hall after the service.

### • 24/7 Prayer at River of Life Community Church

As part of RoLCC plans to develop a house of prayer for Haverhill, (in the Upper Room at the Chalkstone) a number of 24-hour prayer days are coming up, with the next one on 25<sup>th</sup>/26th April. If you know of anyone who might like to participate, here is the link: <a href="Prayer for Haverhill">Prayer for Haverhill</a> Henry Wilson

### 40 days of prayer for Haverhill at HMC



From 30<sup>th</sup> April to 8<sup>th</sup> June (Pentecost) the church will be open between 11am and 12 noon for people to come and pray for Haverhill. There will be a large map of the town on display, divided into 40 sections, to help focus your prayers on particular areas or streets, A4 copies of these sections will also be available.

Please sign up for a time slot on the sheets provided in church – multiple people per slot are encouraged!

### • Food, Glorious Food!

We will be holding an "International Food Evening" on Saturday 14th June 2025.

Bring, share and experience a variety of food that represents and celebrates the various cultures that make up our amazing family of Haverhill Methodist Church.

So pop the date in your diary for this wonderful event. More details will be given in due course. Susan Marren

### Greetings from North of the Border!



Dear Church family,
We send you many Blessings at
this special Easter time.
Although living far away, we
continue to hold you in our hearts
and look forward to popping in
one Sunday to see you all again.
We spent 18 lovely years of
Worship and friendship at
Haverhill MC where our lives
were greatly enriched and to
which we have so much to thank
you for.

We have now settled down after our arduous journey and we are embracing our life here in Fife. We hope you will like the photograph taken at Rosyth Methodist Church to which we have transferred our membership.

We think and pray for anyone of our Haverhill Church family who may be going through tough and difficult times especially, experiencing ill health. We know our Lord Jesus will always walk alongside with you. With Many Blessings

Jacqueline and Stefan Stewart

### • Car Park

To help relieve congestion in the church car park on Sunday mornings we have been given kind permission by the Haverhill Family Practice doctors' surgery and pharmacy to use their rear car park. This is located just down Camps Road from the church (NOT the one across the road).

Please take care and be considerate to other users, from the Baptist Church and Haverhill Pharmacy, or else this kind privilege could be withdrawn.

Parking at any time other than Sunday mornings is prohibited.

### Weekly Offering & Gift Aid

We do not ask visitors for money, however should you wish to give there is an offering bowl just inside the main doors to the church at each service. If you wish to give by standing order/onlinebanking, please ask the duty steward (wearing a purple lanyard) for details of the appropriate church bank account. (This type of payment helps us avoid banking costs incurred by paying in cash/cheques.)

If you pay income tax you can fill in a form which allows the church to claim back 25p for every £1 at no cost to yourself. These forms are available from the duty steward on a Sunday morning.

The amount claimed back in recent years has approached £10,000 pa and has often prevented expenditure exceeding income in the annual accounts.

### Town Pastors

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The Town Pastors will be on the streets tonight, Good Friday 18<sup>th</sup> April, from 8pm to midnight (as well as marshalling the Walk of Witness in the morning!). Please keep them in your prayers and support those who bring this important ministry to our streets.

If you are interested in becoming part of this aspect of God's work in our town please speak to Kathy, Angela Proctor, David Payne, Phoebe, Mary Thake, Pat Shanks, Dot Parker, Sarah Glasswell, Paula Tappin or Jack Tappin, we can all tell you about our experiences as home prayers, base leaders or actually being out on the streets. Or contact the chairman.

### Haverhill & District Churches Together News and Events

- Walk of Witness, Good Friday, starting from OIC @10am
- Dates of Haverhill Praise at West End Congregational Church, all at 4pm:

May 11<sup>th</sup>, July 20<sup>th</sup>, Sep 28<sup>th</sup>, Nov 30<sup>th</sup>

# Welcome Spaces

A place where you can stop by to speak to our advice team

## Open 2-4pm each weekday

Monday @ The Link 45A High St, Haverhill CB9 8AE

Tuesday @ West Suffolk College Building
Provincial House, 32 High St, Haverhill CB9 8AR

Wednesday @ Chalkstone Community Centre Millfields Way, Haverhill CB9 0JB



### We can help with:

Council tax reductions
Additional financial help for pensioners
Highlighting unclaimed support
Options for those working or
unemployed



support for parents
Utility reductions
Emergency food

Free childcare/other



info@reachhaverhill.org.uk ReachCP.org.uk/WelcomeSpaces



### Downs Baptist Chapel Haverhill

downsbaptisthaverhill.org.uk

Service of Thanksgiving to the Lord for 1975-2025 pastoral oversight

God willing on Saturday April 26<sup>th</sup> at 2.30pm

when
Mr Peter Chapman
(Baldock Baptist Church)
will lead worship

There will be refreshments afterwards in the Garden Annexe

Offerings of the day for the Salisbury Reformed Seminary

A warm welcome awaits you

Would appreciate a call to Daphne on 07570 101104 if you are thinking of coming as it will be helpful for catering!

### Dates for your Diary

April	John Jour Dia	
18 <sup>th</sup>	10am	Good Friday Walk of Witness from OIC to Market Square
	8pm - midnight	Town Pastors on patrol, please pray for them & the town
20 <sup>th</sup>	8am	Easter Morning Holy Communion - Moses
	9am	Easter Breakfast – all welcome, don't forget to sign up
		Easter Sunday Celebration Service – Moses
	10.30am	If possible bring a few flowers to transform the Lent Cross
		Prayer time 10am in Coffee Lounge Church Easter Flowers
22 <sup>nd</sup>	11am-12	Tuesday Prayer in Coffee Lounge (or in your own home)
	12.30pm	Funeral of Mollie LeRoy in Church
23 <sup>rd</sup>	10am-12	Open Mind in the Church Hall
	1-3pm	Young at Heart in the Church Hall
24 <sup>th</sup>	2-4pm	Reach: Welcome Spaces in Church Hall
25 <sup>th</sup>	9.30-11.30am	Little Tots Baby & Toddler group in Church Hall
27 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	Preacher: Henry Wilson Church Easter Flowers
		Prayer time from 10am in the Coffee Lounge
29 <sup>th</sup>	11am-12	Tuesday Prayer in Coffee Lounge (or in your own home)
30 <sup>th</sup>	10am-12	Open Mind in the Church Hall
	11am - 12	40 days of Prayer for Haverhill in church
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	11am - 12	40 days of Prayer for Haverhill in church
3 <sup>rd</sup>	11am - 12	40 days of Prayer for Haverhill in church
		All Age Worship: Rev Moses John
4 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	Flowers: Linda & Ron Walker
		Prayer time from 10am in the Coffee Lounge
5 <sup>th</sup>	11am - 12	40 days of Prayer for Haverhill in church
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a a th	10.30am	Preacher: Helen Hollands – District Chair
11 <sup>th</sup>		Prayer time 10am in Coffee Lounge Flowers: G Wadeson
* If you would like to join the Flower Rota, please contact Sue Symonds		

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