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Restore to me the joy of your salvation and grant me a willing spirit, to sustain me.
Psalm 51:12

Prayer Chain: If you'd like to request a prayer for yourself, or for someone you know, please email kathy.cohen@btinternet.com (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 the 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.

- Sunday Club News

There is a new Sunday Club News sheet attached below from Claire. Please do have a good read and get in touch if you can contribute in any way to our wonderful Sunday Club.

- Cake Sunday- THIS SUNDAY!

It's been a while since our last Cake Sunday so we thought we would squeeze another one in before schools break up for the summer holidays. So pop Sunday 13th July in your diaries. As usual we will be looking for donations of cakes, preferably finger buffet size. These can be brought to church and placed in the kitchen before the service. Don't forget to supply us with a list of ingredients to help those with specific dietary needs. It

would be great to have you all join us after the service.
Many thanks. Susan Marren

- 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and be considerate to other users, from the Baptist Church and Haverhill Pharmacy, or else this kind privilege could be withdrawn.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 regularly by standing order/online banking (which helps us avoid banking costs incurred by paying in cash/cheques) the account details are as follows.

Account name: Haverhill Methodist Church.

Account number: 00060578.

Sort code: 30-93-99.

You can also help without increasing your current giving: if you already have a standing order and pay tax to the Inland Revenue, you can sign the Gift Aid declaration, which will boost your donation by 25%. The Gift Aid Declaration form can be requested from any steward. The amount claimed back in recent years has approached £10,000 pa and has often prevented expenditure exceeding income in the annual accounts.

- Methodist District Youth Enabler- Job opportunity

The East Anglia District of the Methodist Church is seeking a passionate and visionary District Youth Enabler to lead, support, and develop youth ministry across the district. The closing date is 15th September. Please see the advert below for more information.

- Haverhill & District Churches Together News and Events

Dates of Haverhill Praise at West End Congregational Church, all at 4pm:
July 20th, Sep 28th, Nov 30th

- Town Pastors

The Town Pastors are on the streets **tonight**, Friday 11th July, from 8pm to midnight. 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, Ian Levett.



- Reach Design Challenge

(For under 12-year-olds) 'Your challenge, should you choose to accept it, is to design a BRAND NEW thank you postcard for Reach during Harvest 2025!' Can you help us? Visit ReachCP.org.uk/competition to enter! (Deadline: Sunday 31st August)

- Reach Volunteer Co-ordinator- Job opportunity

Reach is advertising for a part-time Volunteer Co-ordinator. The post holder will work within the Community Engagement team, leading and supporting on the provision of an excellent volunteer experience. The closing date is 25th July. More information can be found on their website (www.reachcp.org.uk) under 'Vacancies'.

- Volunteers Needed

The Sense charity shop in town is looking for new volunteers. Please see the poster below, and do get in contact if you feel you could help. Thank you.

- Town Fun Days

Throughout July, Haverhill Town Council are running some free community events around the town. There will be face painting, axe throwing, bouncy castle, etc. More information can be found on the posters below. All of the days are held between 11am-3pm, and the dates are as follows:

Chalkstone Fun Day- Wed 23rd July- Chalkstone Playing Field
Parkway Fun Day- Tue 29th July- St Felix Church
Clements Fun Day- Wed 30th July- Puddle Brook

- Nancy May Concert

On Friday 8th August at 7.30pm, St Laurence Church in Ridgewell will host an 'unforgettable evening of music' with Nancy May, who will perform operatic arias, musical theatre and classics. Tickets are £15, see the poster below for more information.

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

- Dates for your Diary

July		
13 th	10.30am	Preacher: Rev Moses John- Communion- Cake Sunday Prayer time 10am in Coffee Lounge Flowers: Dot and Tom Parker
15 th	11am-12	Tuesday Prayer in Coffee Lounge (or in your own home)
16 th	10am-12	Open Mind in the Church Hall
	1-3pm	Young at Heart in Church Hall
20 th	10.30am	Preacher: Sarah Glasswell Prayer time 10am in Coffee Lounge Flowers: Claire Guilfoyle
22 nd	11am-12	Tuesday Prayer in Coffee Lounge (or in your own home)
23 rd	10am-12	Open Mind in the Church Hall
	1-3pm	Young at Heart in Church Hall
27 th	10.30am	Preacher: Rev Mike Wilson Prayer time 10am in Coffee Lounge Flowers: Brenda and Alan Wadsworth
29 th	11am-12	Tuesday Prayer in Coffee Lounge (or in your own home)
30 th	10am-12	Open Mind in the Church Hall
August		
3 rd	10.30am	Preacher: Vivien Sargeant Prayer time 10am in Coffee Lounge Flowers: Kay Smith
5 th	11am-12	Tuesday Prayer in Coffee Lounge (or in your own home)
6 th	10am-12	Open Mind in the Church Hall
8 th	4-6pm	Children's Party in the Church Hall
10 th	10.30am	Preacher: Sarah Glasswell Prayer time 10am in Coffee Lounge Flowers: Tina Westley
12 th	11am-12	Tuesday Prayer in Coffee Lounge (or in your own home)
13 th	10am-12	Open Mind in the Church Hall
17 th	10.30am	Preacher: Rev Moses John- Communion Prayer time 10am in Coffee Lounge Flowers: Sylvia and Mike Webb
19 th	11am-12	Tuesday Prayer in Coffee Lounge (or in your own home)
20 th	10am-12	Open Mind in the Church Hall
24 th	10.30am	Preacher: Rev Moses John Prayer time 10am in Coffee Lounge Flowers: Mary Thake & Ann Turner
26 th	11am-12	Tuesday Prayer in Coffee Lounge (or in your own home)
27 th	10am-12	Open Mind in the Church Hall

* If you would like to join the Flower Rota, please contact Sue Symonds
01440 763613 or harrys62@sky.com

SUNDAY CLUB NEWS

3Generate Trip

The National Methodist Youth Conference is 3rd—5th October in Birmingham.

We are planning to send a group from Church. Children 8+ can attend for the weekend.

The full price of the trip, including coach travel, is being covered by the East Anglia District!

Please see the link <https://www.methodist.org.uk/for-churches/ministries/children-youth-family-ministry/3generate/> for more details.

You need to let Sarah Glasswell know ASAP if you want to attend.



Adopt a Child

We sponsor a little girl named Linssy, in Guatemala. Linssy is almost 5 years old. We have an offering each week in Sunday Club, please support if you can by bringing some small change. If you don't often have cash to hand and would like to support by a one-off donation, you are very welcome to make a bank transfer to the Sunday Club account. Methodist Church Sunday Club. Account Number 00079805, Sort Code 30-93-99. Please label it 'adopt a child'.



Sunday Club Summer sessions

During the summer holidays our Sunday Club groups meet together in the hall (other than the All Age service on 3rd August). This summer our theme is the life of Moses. Join us for lots of fun, games and crafts! Keep your eyes peeled too for information about Summer socials!



Sunday Club Anniversary Service and Church BBQ

Please join us on Sunday 7th September from 10.30 for our anniversary service, followed by a BBQ. More details to follow.



Can you help? If you would like to support the work of Sunday Club please consider donating one of the items below:

Pritt sticks, felt pens, biro, ready mix paint, PVA glue, A4 white/coloured card, balloons...

Or if you're having a clear out we would love any donations of lego, duplo, playmobil figures/animals, construction toys or games.

Could you join the team?

We have a dedicated team of leaders and helpers, who have great fun and learn lots from the children and young people! We have spaces for more leaders and helpers—could it be you?

We have 3 age groups: 3-7, 7-11 and 11+. We aim to have a big enough team that we are on rota once a month. Leaders are in charge of one of the groups and plan the session beforehand using Scripture Union or Youth for Christ resources (which are very easy to follow!). Helpers just need to turn up on the day and support the leader and the children with the activity/Bible study.

Please speak to anyone on team for more information or email Claire.Claire@evans-mail.co.uk.

DISTRICT YOUTH ENABLER

EAST ANGLIA DISTRICT

The East Anglia District is seeking a passionate and visionary District Youth Enabler to lead, support, and develop youth ministry across the District.

This role offers an exciting and unique opportunity to make a lasting impact by supporting and growing vibrant youth ministry through leadership, collaboration, and creativity. Working alongside churches, circuits, and young people themselves, the District Youth Enabler will play a key part in ensuring that the voices of young people are heard, their faith journeys are nurtured, and they are encouraged to play an active and transformative role in the life of the Church and wider society.

Salary **£16.50 per hour** for a part time position of **12 hours** per week.
Permanent position dependent on continuing funding, initially identified for 5 years.

The appointment will be **home-based** with an expectation of travel around the East Anglia District. Travel costs that arise in the role will be reimbursed.

A satisfactory enhanced disclosure from the
Disclosure and Barring Service will be required.

This role has an occupational requirement to be a practising Christian
in accordance with the Equality Act 2010.

For further information and an application pack please contact Kate Dalton:
DLES@eangliamethodist.org.uk

Closing Date for Applications: Monday 15th September.
Interview Date: Friday 3rd October.

THE METHODIST CHURCH IS COMMITTED TO THE SAFEGUARDING OF ALL





Photo depicts previous events.

Wednesday 23 July • 11:00am - 3:00pm • FREE

Chalkstone Fun Day

CHALKSTONE PLAYING FIELD

Bungee Run, Axe Throwing and more!

Very limited parking in this residential area. Please walk to the event whenever possible.
Chalkstone Community Centre with support from Haverhill Town Council.



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Volunteer with Sense

Your local Sense shop needs more people to join their amazing team of volunteers!

Volunteering in a Sense charity shop for a couple of hours is a fantastic way to get involved in your local community, meet people and learn new skills. You don't need any experience; you just need to be aged 16 or over and ready to make a difference.

Follow the link below for more information or scan the QR and sign up today!

→ **sense.org.uk/shop-volunteers**



Registered charity number 289868



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Wednesday 30 July • 11:00am - 3:00pm • FREE

Clements Fun Day

PUDDLE BROOK

The Buffy Play Bus, giant dominoes, crafts and more!

Very limited parking in this residential area. Please walk to the event whenever possible.
Haverhill Town Council with support from The Local Conversation in Haverhill South.



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Tuesday 29 July • 11:00am - 3:00pm • FREE

Parkway Fun Day

ST FELIX CHURCH

Face painting, Bouncy Castle, Crazy Golf and more!

Very limited parking in this residential area. Please walk to the event whenever possible.
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"An amazing
concert"
★★★★★

"The best way to
spend an evening"
★★★★★

"A journey of music
and emotion"
★★★★★

IN CONCERT WITH

NANCY

Nancy
CLASSICAL
SOPRANO

8 AUG 7:30PM
2025

ST LAURENCE CHURCH
RIDGEWELL, HALSTEAD,
CO9 4SA

Nancy will perform operatic arias,
musical theatre, and classics
in the stunning setting of
St Laurence Church for an
unforgettable evening of music.



TICKETS £15.00

[Nancy-May.co.uk/events](https://www.facebook.com/Nancy-May-Events)

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