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Friday 1st August 2025

"I love you, Lord, my strength. The Lord is my rock, my fortress and my deliverer; my God is my rock, in whom I take refuge, my shield and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold."

Psalm 18:1-2

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.

Keswick Convention – 150 years

The Keswick Convention is celebrating 150 years since foundation in the Lake District, the longest running Bible teaching event in the world. From 12 July to 1 August events are being live streamed on YouTube (Keswick Convention 2025) and broadcast live on Premier Christian Radio (daily 10am-2pm).

Evening Celebrations will be live streamed daily at 7.30pm and Bible Studies weekdays at 11.30am on YouTube, and also available permanently for catch-up.

The best of bible teaching and Christian worship - do try it!

John Loader

Job opportunity

The East Anglia District are seeking an New Places for New People Enabler to help deliver the NPNP strategy for the District, with practical tasks and spiritual leadership. See poster for further details.

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be considerate to other users, from the Baptist Church and Haverhill Pharmacy, or else this kind privilege could be withdrawn.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

Haverhill & District Churches Together News and Events

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

Town Pastors

The Town Pastors will be on the streets next Friday 8th August, 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'.

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.

Dates for your Diary

August	or your bit	<i>y</i>
		Preacher: Vivien Sargeant
3 rd	10.30am	
5 th	11am-12	Prayer time 10am in Coffee Lounge Flowers: Kay Smith Tuesday Prayer in Coffee Lounge (or in your own home)
6 th		
8 th	10am-12	Open Mind in the Church Hall
8	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
		Preacher: Rev Moses John- Communion
17 th	10.30am	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
		Preacher: Rev Moses John
24 th	10.30am	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
30 th	All day	Haverhill Show - Take 2
31 st	10.30am	Preacher: Kim Moses Flowers: Linda Arrowsmith
		Prayer time 10am in Coffee Lounge
September		Trayer time fourth in conce Lounge
2 nd	11am-12	Tuesday Prayer in Coffee Lounge (or in your own home)
3 rd	10am-12	Open Mind in the Church Hall
3	100111-12	Sunday Club Anniversary service followed by Barbeque for
7 th	10.30am	all the Church Family – NO PARKING in Church Car Park
/	10.304111	Prayer time 10am in Coffee Lounge Flowers: Vacant
9 th	11am-12	Tuesday Prayer in Coffee Lounge (or in your own home)
10 th	10am-12	Open Mind in the Church Hall
10	1-3pm	Young at Heart in the Church Hall
14 th	10.30am	Preacher: Rev Moses John- Communion
16 th	 11am-12	Prayer time 10am in Coffee Lounge Flowers: Phyl Hall
17 th		Tuesday Prayer in Coffee Lounge (or in your own home)
1/	10am-12	Open Mind in the Church Hall
	1-3pm	Young at Heart in the Church Hall
2.45	40.00	Preacher: Rev Moses John – Membership Service
21 st	10.30am	Prayer time 10am in Coffee Lounge
		Flowers: Anthea & David Payne

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



Haverhill Show 🛠

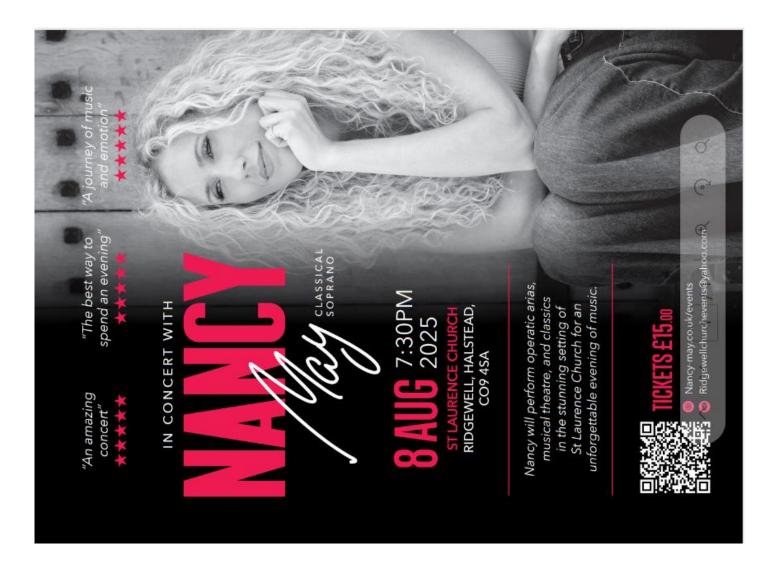
Haverhill Show – Take 2 – The Big One is Back On!

We're absolutely thrilled to announce that, after the disappointment of having to cancel earlier this month, the Haverhill Show is officially BACK ON – and this time, it's happening on a Saturday, 30 August!

► Haverhill Recreation Ground
Saturday 30 August 2025
Still FREE to attend!

Our amazing committee has been working flat out behind the scenes to bring the show back to life – and we're calling this one "Haverhill Show - Take 2" It will be a little different to what we had planned, but we are working hard to make it as big as it can be. It will feature many of your favourites... and has a few surprises too!

A massive thank you to everyone for your support, patience and kind words – it really has meant a lot. We can't wait to welcome you all back for what promises to be a fantastic day out for all ages.







NPNP ENABLER

EAST ANGLIA DISTRICT

The East Anglia District is well underway with its New Places for New People vision and ministry. We are seeking an NPNP Enabler to come into that work and help deliver the NPNP strategy for the District, with practical tasks and spiritual leadership. Our vision for the Methodist Church in East Anglia is to have a thriving community of new church plants that reach new people to help them find faith and experience growing, inclusive, evangelistic and justice-seeking new church communities.

We are looking for a skilled and diligent individual to join the team and help oversee, encourage and deliver the projects that have been identified. They will help NPNP projects implement their vision and draw together the East Anglia NPNP community, offering support, networking and helping them access resources. They will form part of the District team discerning God's leading and prayerfully help nurture new faith communities and their leaders in reaching new people with the Gospel.

Salary £18 per hour for a part-time position of 18 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 1st September Interview Date: Thursday 11th September

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