

GOD LOVES YOU!



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If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to you. James 1:5

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.

- Building Work at Church

The builders from Churchill Retirement Living (the apartments next to the church) will be carrying out resurfacing work of our side passage and rear courtyard area this week. This will inevitably involve some noise disruption to users of the church hall and other areas and we apologise for any inconvenience caused. John Loader

- Church Kitchen Storage

Are there any tins, dishes or containers belonging to you in the church kitchen? There is quite a collection in the utility area and they are taking up room. Please collect anything belonging to you ASAP. If not lifted within the month I will be taking to Charity shop. Many thanks. Claire Waller

- Women's Bible Study

Join us as we explore the story of 'Gideon: Your weakness. God's Strength' by Priscilla Shirer. We will meet on Monday evenings in the Church Hall, 7:45-9:15pm. The first study will be this Monday, October 6th, continuing for seven weeks with a break for Half Term on 27th October. The study includes prayer, video teachings, individual study guide, and group discussion. We will also have coffee, tea, and light refreshments. Follow the link to see the promotional video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4nsFbR9Gwb4>

Pre-loved books are available for £4 donation, or you can purchase a copy online through World of Books, Amazon, or Ebay.

Please email Elizabeth.mitchell043011@gmail.com or text 07531491701 to sign up.

Come get involved and let's dig deeper into the story of Gideon together!
Elizabeth Mitchell

- Harvest Festival

Our Harvest Festival service, where your gifts will be received, is on Sunday 12th October. This year, as in previous years, our harvest gifts will be donated to REACH & the foodbank.

They have produced a 'Harvest Shopping List' to help you make donations of things they need, as you are able. The list is attached at the end of this issue.

You may also give monetary donations if you wish. Please put them in an envelope marked REACH and put them in the collection bowl at the back of church.

- Decorating the church for Harvest Festival

Volunteers are needed to decorate the church for Harvest Festival. This will take place on Saturday 11th October from 10am – it shouldn't take too long if there are enough people! Please just turn up bringing any fresh fruit & veg gifts you would have brought on Sunday.

Also, if you have some smallish, pretty branches with autumnal leaves and/or berries they would be great for decoration too.

- Harvest Lunch

We are holding a 'pay it forward' lunch after the morning service on the 12th October. We are so blessed with everything we have that it would be good to pass those blessings on to others. It will be a lunch of soup, bread and fresh fruit. The idea being that, if possible, you would donate the amount of

money that you think you would potentially spend on your Sunday lunch with the money being donated to Link to Hope to help with the cost of transporting the Christmas shoeboxes overseas.
To help with catering numbers there is a sign-up sheet in the church foyer or you can email me on, susanmarren568@gmail.com
Thank you! Susan Marren

- Harvest Prayer

Dear God, thank you for the harvest.
Thank you for your provision and generosity.
Lord, comfort those who are hungry and those who feel hopeless.
Help us give the food from harvest to those who need it most.
Thank you, God, that you look upon your people vulnerable and in need, and have compassion on them.
Amen.

- Link to hope shoeboxes

There will be an array of knitted / crocheted goods and things for the shoeboxes on Sunday 12th October before the harvest lunch. Donations for the goods will go to Link to Hope. Also, some empty boxes are available to fill. The shoeboxes need to be complete by Sunday 26th October so that we can get them over to Clare for collection.
Thank you to everyone who is either making boxes or giving items.
Speak to Gill or Janet if you have any questions.

- Wednesdays with Wellbeing

Suffolk Talking Therapies invites anyone looking for guidance on mental health, physical wellness or community resources to join them at Abbeycroft Leisure Centre on Wednesday 8th October, 1-3pm, for FREE support and connection. For more information, please see the poster below.

- Music Exams

There will be music exams taking place in the church, vestry and coffee lounge on Wednesday 26th and Thursday 27th November. Please do not enter these areas and please be aware of noise around the site, particularly in the car park. Thank you.

- Town Pastors

The Town Pastors will be on the streets this Friday 3rd October, 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.



- 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

Haverhill Praise at West End Congregational Church, Nov 30th at 4pm.

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

Dates for your Diary

October		
3 rd -5 th	All day	Children and young people away at 3Generate
5 th	10.30am	Preacher: Rev Moses John- All Age Service, Christening Prayer time 10am in Coffee Lounge Flowers: Pat Shanks
6 th	7.45pm	Women's Bible Study in the Church Hall
7 th	11am-12	Tuesday Prayer in Coffee Lounge (or in your own home)
8 th	10am-12	Open Mind in the Church Hall
	1-3pm	Young at Heart in the Church Hall
12 th	10.30am	Preacher: Kim Moses- Harvest Lunch after service Prayer time 10am in Coffee Lounge Flowers: Harvest Flowers
13 th	7.45pm	Women's Bible Study in the Church Hall
14 th	11am-12	Tuesday Prayer in Coffee Lounge (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	9am-6pm	7 th Day Adventists in the Church Hall
19 th	10.30am	Preacher: Rev Moses John- Communion Prayer time 10am in Coffee Lounge Flowers: Harvest Flowers
20 th	7.45pm	Women's Bible Study in the Church Hall
21 st	11am-12	Tuesday Prayer in Coffee Lounge (or in your own home)
22 nd	10am-12	Open Mind in the Church Hall
	1-3pm	Young at Heart in the Church Hall
26 th	10.30am	Preacher: Henry Wilson Flowers: Verna Titmarsh Prayer time 10am in Coffee Lounge
28 th	11am-12	Tuesday Prayer in Coffee Lounge (or in your own home)
29 th	10am-12	Open Mind in the Church Hall
	1-3pm	Young at Heart in the Church Hall
November		
2 nd	10.30am	Preacher: Rev Moses John- All Age Service Prayer time 10am in Coffee Lounge Flowers: Jacqueline & Stefan Stewart
3 rd	7.45pm	Women's Bible Study in the Church Hall
4 th	11am-12	Tuesday Prayer in Coffee Lounge (or in your own home)
5 th	10am-12	Open Mind in the Church Hall
	1-3pm	Young at Heart in the Church Hall
9 th	10.30am	Preacher: Rev Moses John- Communion Prayer time 10am in Coffee Lounge Flowers: Len Jacobs

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

Harvest shopping list 2025

Just one or two items from the list would be greatly appreciated!

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Long – life fruit juice | <input type="checkbox"/> Crackers |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tinned fruit | <input type="checkbox"/> Noodles |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tinned tomatoes | <input type="checkbox"/> Tea |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tinned Vegetables | <input type="checkbox"/> Coffee |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fruit Squash | <input type="checkbox"/> Toiletries |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Chocolate/snacks | <input type="checkbox"/> Toilet roll |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Jams | <input type="checkbox"/> Ladies deodorant |

Please ,no beans, soup, pasta and cereals

Scan here to see
our donation
points!



www.reachhaverhill.org.uk/harvest

Wednesdays with Wellbeing

Join us for a day of support and connection! Are you looking for guidance on mental health, physical wellness, or community resources? We invite you to Wednesdays with Wellbeing, a supportive event designed to connect you with various services that can help you thrive!

Everyone is welcome! Whether you're seeking support for yourself or for a loved one. This is a **FREE** event so there is no need to book or buy a ticket. Just come as you are!

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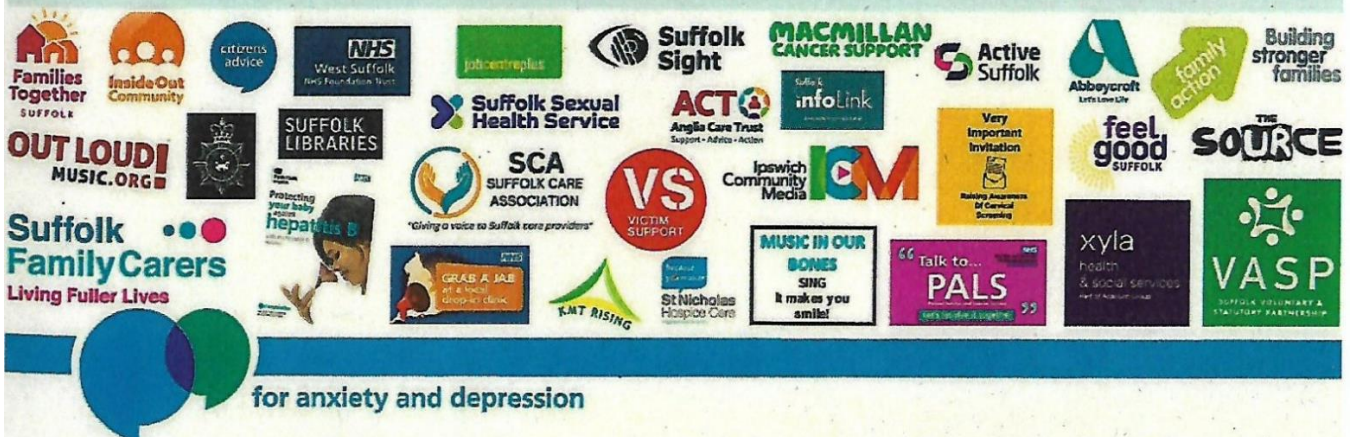


Haverhill

Abbeycroft Leisure Centre
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8th October
1pm - 3pm

For queries email us at: Suffolk.CommunityTeam@nsft.nhs.uk



for anxiety and depression