

GOD LOVES YOU!



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But the wisdom that comes from heaven is first of all pure; then peace-loving, considerate, submissive, full of mercy and good fruit, impartial and sincere. Peacemakers who sow in peace reap a harvest of righteousness.

James 3:17-18

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.

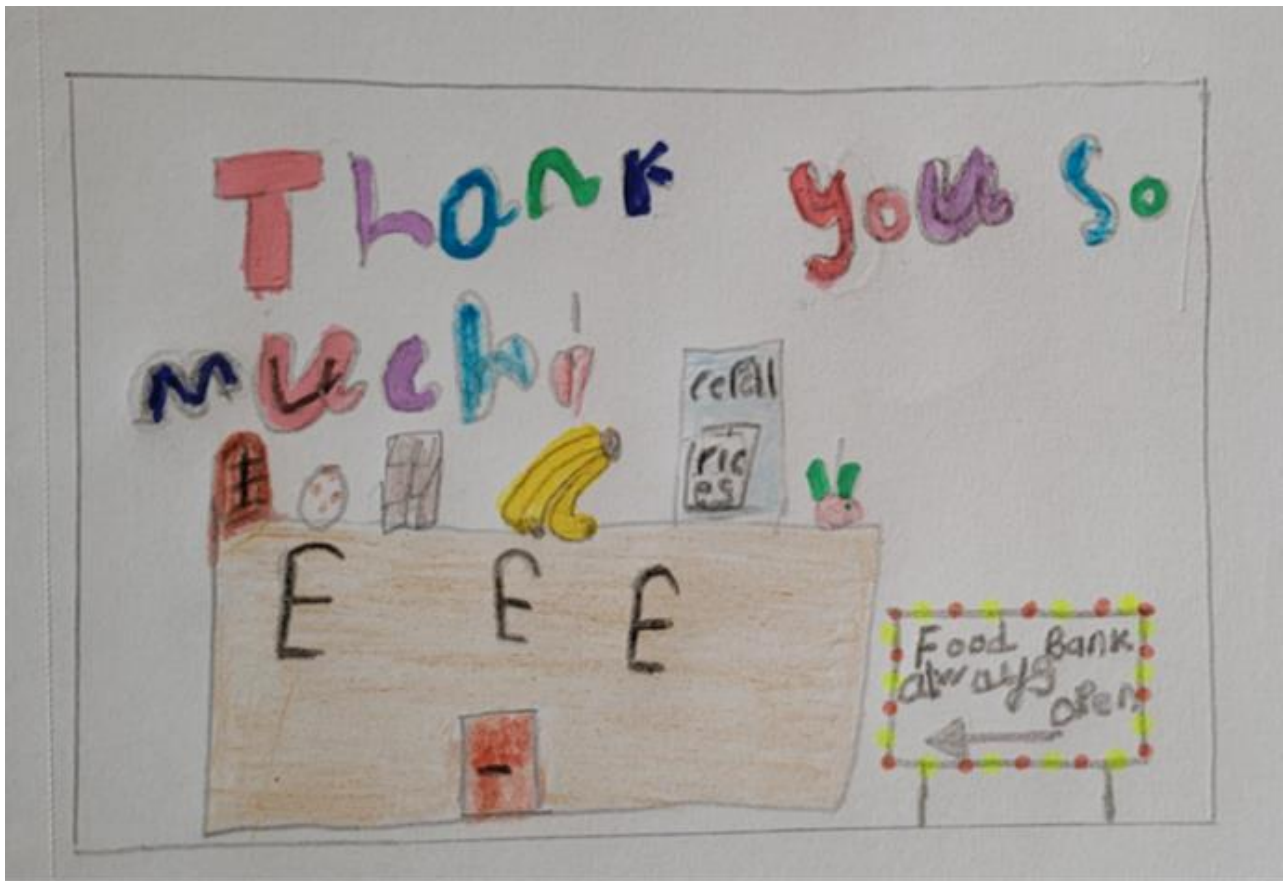
- Harvest Giving

A huge thank you for your generosity during Harvest time. WOW! We're so grateful for your donation of 164.2kg of food, as well as £60 which will give a local family in crisis somewhere to turn when they are desperately worried about their next meal, or next bill.

Your gift will help provide 109 meals for local families who are facing crisis right now.

During this season, many of us pause to give thanks for the food we receive, and your donation has brought that same sense of gratitude to countless people.

(Received from Henry and the REACH team.)



- Link to Hope

Thank you for your harvest donations for Link to Hope. We raised £280 which will go towards the transport costs.

The Shoe Boxes need to be completed by THIS Sunday 26th October. We have lots of knitted goods available still.

Thanks, Gill

- Bible Reading Resources

Following Kim's sermon on Sunday, I thought it might be helpful to share a couple of ideas for daily reaching out to God through Bible reading. I recommend a free app called Lectio365 where every morning there is a meditation on a passage from scripture. At night there is a quiet reflection. If you want to work through a book of the Bible, Tom Wright will take you through the New Testament and John Goldingay can take you through the Old Testament.

There are plenty of other books too: Ken uses Guidelines which offers in-depth study notes. There is also Every day with Jesus.

There are many options online and other books available.

God bless you in your walk with God and may you find material that is appropriate for you to grow spiritually.

From Heather

- Sunday Club Registration

It is wonderful to have so many children attending Sunday Club. We are updating our Sunday Club records and have a new registration form to complete for each child. If you have not yet completed one, please see Claire or a member of the team to collect one. Or see a copy attached below.

Thanks, Claire Evans

- Light Party

Children up to age 11 are invited to our Light Party on Sunday 9th November from 4.30-6pm. More information below, invite your friends and book your spaces!

We would also love some more helpers too – in the kitchen or supporting with crafts/activities. Youth helpers are also very welcome. Please let Claire Evans know if you can help. claire@evans-mail.co.uk

- Toy Service

Our annual Toy Service this year will be held on Sunday 7 December. For the benefit of those people who are new to the church I will give you a brief outline of what happens. Everyone is invited to bring a toy/gift to the service and these will be accepted by the Town Mayor, Councillor Quinn Cox, on behalf of Social Services. These will then be passed on to Social Services who will distribute the gifts to children in the town who would otherwise get very little at Christmas. The only stipulation by Social Services is that the toys are new and unwrapped, and cover the age range 0-18 years as they like to be able to give a gift to each child in the family. They assure me that these gifts are very much appreciated.

Rosemary Fletcher

- Memories are Golden Community Hub

Our Church Tithing Fund recently made a donation to the Memories are Golden Community Hub, we have received the following response:

‘Thank you to Haverhill Methodist Church for your kind donation towards our community hub. Every penny that is donated goes into providing a safe and welcoming place for people with dementia and those experiencing social isolation.’

Please continue to pray for this wonderful work.

- SCAM- Please be aware

Just thought I should mention that the latest online scam involves a fake television interview of Money Saving Expert Martin Lewis. He is a well-known financial adviser. Using Artificial Intelligence, He appears to be saying that he is making a lot of money by investing £250 in a fund which trades with it making Martin colossal profits in no time at all. The online clip I saw yesterday appeared to show Martin showing viewers of BBC Breakfast Time exactly how to do what he had done so that they would also make loads of money. In reality, anyone doing that would lose their money and perhaps have their bank details misused. The whole thing was a fake and nothing to do with BBC.

The old adage "if it looks too good to be true, it isn't true" is oh so true these days.

David Frost

- 20 Years of REACH!

Last Sunday marked the 20th anniversary of the beginning of Reach Community Projects. What a milestone! It's hard to celebrate the need for our services for 20 years, but what an enormous gratitude I have for your help in changing the lives of hundreds of local people across these last 20 years... You've joined me in speaking out and speaking up for those facing hardship and injustice, and for that I am so moved. Henry Wilson



- 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 hope to be on the streets next Friday 31st October, from 8pm to midnight. However we have so few Pastors now we are not always able to get a team together. Further, our Chairman and Co-ordinator, Ian Levett will be stepping down from the end of November and we currently have no-one to fulfil these roles. The trustees will need to make a decision as to what happens next. Please pray for the future of the Town Pastors, whatever form it may take, and if you are interested in joining the team please speak to Kathy, Phoebe or Angela.



- 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		
26 th	10.30am	Preacher: Henry Wilson Prayer time 10am in Coffee Lounge Flowers: Verna Titmarsh
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
10 th	7.45pm	Women's Bible Study in the Church Hall
11 th	11am-12	Tuesday Prayer in Coffee Lounge (or in your own home)
12 th	10am-12	Open Mind in the Church Hall
	1-3pm	Young at Heart in the Church Hall
16 th	10.30am	Preacher: Rev Moses John Prayer time 10am in Coffee Lounge Flowers: Margaret & Roger Beaumont
17 th	7.45pm	Women's Bible Study in the Church Hall
18 th	11am-12	Tuesday Prayer in Coffee Lounge (or in your own home)
19 th	10am-12	Open Mind in the Church Hall
	1-3pm	Young at Heart in the Church Hall
23 rd	10.30am	Preacher: Kim Moses Prayer time 10am in Coffee Lounge Flowers: Bryan and Jenny Ellicott
24 th	7.45pm	Women's Bible Study in the Church Hall
25 th	11am-12	Tuesday Prayer in Coffee Lounge (or in your own home)
26 th	All Day	Music Exams Taking place- please do not enter!
	10am-12	Open Mind in the Church Hall
	1-3pm	Young at Heart in the Church Hall
27 th	All Day	Music Exams taking place- please do not enter!
30 th	10.30am	Preacher: Rev Moses John- 1 st in Advent Prayer time 10am in Coffee Lounge Flowers: Alf Coe
December		
2 nd	11am-12	Tuesday Prayer in Coffee Lounge (or in your own home)

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



JOIN US FOR A

LIGHT PARTY!

Sunday 9th November, 4.30-6.00pm
Haverhill Methodist Church Hall

Games - Crafts - Glowsticks - Music - Food - Fun!

Children must be accompanied by an adult. Aimed at up to 11 years.
For more information or to book (including dietary requirements) please
email hmcMESSychurch@gmail.com

Haverhill Methodist Church Sunday Club
Children and Young People's Registration Form

For information please contact Claire Evans claire@evans-mail.co.uk

Child's Name: _____

DOB: _____

Full Address: _____

Names of parents/guardians _____

Email of guardian _____

Phone number guardian _____

School attended _____

Does your child have any medical conditions that we need to be aware of?

Does your child have any allergies?

Is there anything else we need to know?

PLEASE TURN OVER TO COMPLETE THE FORM

☐ Medical Treatment: As the parent/legal guardian of the above-named person I agree to them receiving emergency medical treatment, including anaesthetic, as considered necessary by the medical authorities present.

☐ Photo Permission: I give permission for my child's photograph to be taken during Sunday Club (The photographs will be used for Haverhill Methodist Church purposes only, including prayer/newsletters).

☐ I give my permission for my child to attend the Sunday Club.

☐ I agree to be added to an email list to be informed of information about Sunday Club only (eg date reminders)

☐ I agree to be added to a Whatsapp group to be informed of information about Sunday Club only (eg date reminders)

☐ I understand that this personal information I give to Haverhill Methodist Church Sunday Club will be processed in accordance with the UK Data Protection Act 1998. They will only use the information to communicate with me about matters to do with Sunday Club. They will not share the information with anyone else. I may request in writing to see my information held by them.

☐ If any of my contact details change I will inform the group leader ASAP.

Signed: _____ **Date:** _____

Relationship to Child: _____