

GOD LOVES YOU!



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*Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest.
Matthew 11:28*

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.

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

- [A Message from Rev Moses](#)

In the first half of our all-age service THIS SUNDAY, we will continue the tradition of a faith-sharing interview with one of the church members. In the second half I would like you to come prepared to share with the congregation- It could be anything that has encouraged you within the church's ministry over the past 12 months. Perhaps it might be something that God has done, or something you have experienced in your journey with our church in 2025. Thank you.

- Its Panto Time!

Sunday Club have reserved a block of seats for Centre Stage Company's panto at a discounted rate again this year. 'Little Red Riding Hood' is booked for Sunday 18th January at 1pm, and you are invited! Please see the flyer below for more information, and make sure you book to secure your ticket. Booking closes THIS SUNDAY, 4th January!

Thanks, Claire Evans

- Greetings from Scotland

Dear Moses, Kim, your loving children and to all your congregation at Haverhill Methodist Church.

We send you all our best wishes for a Happy and healthy and Blessed New Year.

With our love and many blessings to you all.

God Bless

Jacqueline and Stefan xxx

- A Letter from Australia

Hi friends!

It's almost impossible to believe that this time last year I was saying goodbye to you all as I prepared to leave and live in Perth, W Australia. I do not know where that time has gone?

Firstly, may I say an enormous thank you for your beautiful Christmas card signed by so many of you (organised by the wonderful Sarah! xx). It was a huge surprise and made me cry!! I do miss you enormously and the more churches I visit the more I realise what an incredibly special (and unusual) church HMC is! You are truly blessed to have all the generations represented and I miss that enormously.

I am now settled in a really great church, Trinity North. They do a huge amount of work in the community and I have joined their Foodbank team. Homelessness is a big issue here, and there are significant social issues for the Wadjuk Noongar peoples, the local Aboriginal settlers. It's been a steep learning curve.

I am getting some preaching opportunities across the city but it's a bit sporadic! Recently I was invited to speak at the Perth Ladies Fellowship Conference and it was wonderful to be able to talk about Open Mind. Who knows, maybe one day it can be replicated over here? At the moment I'm not rushing to pursue this as I am going to be a grandma next June!

Wonderful news.

My house in Steeple is being sold and once completed I will be buying a v v small house here. So, for the 3rd time in a year, I will be moving! It's a good job I love change, isn't it?

I think of you often and are in my prayers always. I hope you all enjoy some down-time over Christmas with friends and family, whoever you prefer to be with,

Love and blessing always, Cham xxx

- Open Mind Update

Open Mind **restarts on Wednesday 14th January 2026.**

This month marks 7 years since Open Mind Meaningful Support first opened its doors to support the people of Haverhill with their mental health and wellbeing. For those of you who didn't know, Open Mind was set up by a few members of our congregation in January 2019 who saw a need, vision and purpose for our church. NHS mental health services were cut significantly in our town, leaving people feeling isolated and alone with their struggles. The need has continued to increase.

Open mind provides a confidential, safe space where people of any denomination, faith or no faith, can be heard and really listened to on a one-to-one basis. We meet every Wednesday 10am – 12 in the church hall.

Some people come regularly and have done since we opened 7 years ago; some people come when they are in crisis, struggling or need validation.

Open Mind now regularly sees an average of 20 people per week.

Open Mind meaningful support is a major missional project for HMC and we would highly value your prayers.

Over the coming months, I will be sharing with you some feedback from the Open Mind clients. If you would like to know more, please do speak to me

or you can email openmindinfo8@gmail.com

Claire Martin

- 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.

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

Dates for your Diary

January		
4 th	10.30am	Preacher: Rev Moses John – All Age Worship Prayer time 10am in Coffee Lounge Flowers: Church Christmas Flowers
5 th	11am-12	Tuesday Prayer in Coffee Lounge (or in your own home)
11 th	10.30am	Preacher: Rev Moses John- Covenant Service Prayer time 10am in Coffee Lounge Flowers: Gill Wadeson
13 th	11am-12	Tuesday Prayer in Coffee Lounge (or in your own home)
14 th	10am-12	Open Mind in the Church Hall
	1-3pm	Young at Heart in the Church Hall
18 th	10.30am	Preacher: Kim Moses Prayer time 10am in Coffee Lounge Flowers: Win Franklin
20 th	11am-12	Tuesday Prayer in Coffee Lounge (or in your own home)
21 st	10am-12	Open Mind in the Church Hall
	1-3pm	Young at Heart in the Church Hall
25 th	10.30am	Preacher: Rev Moses John Prayer time 10am in Coffee Lounge Flowers: Joyce Rinaldi
27 th	11am-12	Tuesday Prayer in Coffee Lounge (or in your own home)
28 th	10am-12	Open Mind in the Church Hall
	1-3pm	Young at Heart in the Church Hall
February		
1 st	10.30am	Preacher: Methodist Vice President- Matthew Forsyth Prayer time 10am in Coffee Lounge Flowers: Kathy Cohen
3 rd	11am-12	Tuesday Prayer in Coffee Lounge (or in your own home)
4 th	10am-12	Open Mind in the Church Hall
	1-3pm	Young at Heart in the Church Hall
8 th	10.30am	Preacher: Rev Moses John- Communion Prayer time 10am in Coffee Lounge Flowers: Colin Smith
10 th	11am-12	Tuesday Prayer in Coffee Lounge (or in your own home)
11 th	10am-12	Open Mind in the Church Hall
	1-3pm	Young at Heart in the Church Hall
15 th	10.30am	Preacher: Rev Helen Hollands Prayer time 10am in Coffee Lounge Flowers: Mick and Janet Etheridge

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

IT'S PANTO TIME!

We have reserved a block of seats for Little Red Riding Hood on Sunday 18th January, 1pm.

We are pleased to have secured a group discount-

Adults are £12

Sunday Club Children are £7 per ticket (as Sunday Club are further subsidising £5 per ticket)

Please contact Claire to reserve your tickets - claire@evans-mail.co.uk or 07734298247

Payment can be made to the Sunday Club account

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