



## Haverhill Methodist Church

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## Connect Issue 111

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> June 2022

*To the Jews who had believed him, Jesus said, "If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples. Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free."*

*John 8:31-32*

**Prayer Chain:** If you'd like to request a prayer for yourself, or for someone you know, please email [kathy.cohen@btinternet.com](mailto:kathy.cohen@btinternet.com) (or phone 01440 762536) and your message will be forwarded to all those on the prayer email list (about 80 people).

**Prayer Ministry:** This is available after 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.

- Welcome into church membership – Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> June

A reminder of the opportunity to be made a member of our Methodist Church at our Sunday morning service on 19th June. Please speak to Peter if you are interested.

- Men's Night Out -Tuesday 21st June – note change of date!

This will be at the Raj Mahal (Indian), on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> June, 6.30 for 7.00pm. If you would like to go please see me. Closing date Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> June. Mick Etheridge

- Property Committee Meeting

There will be a Property Committee meeting on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> June at 7.30pm.

- NEXT DOOR BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

We are celebrating Next Door's 35<sup>th</sup> birthday on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> June. We will have cake to share and hope that our Church family will come and support us that day. We will be open as usual from 10.30 until 12.30 and look forward to seeing you.

God bless,  
Next Door Team

- Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> July – HDCT United Morning Service

Haverhill and District Churches Together has committed to hold a united act of worship at 10am-10.30am on the rec at the start of the Haverhill Show. Therefore, there will now be no morning service at the Methodist Church as we are all encouraged to show our support and attend the united service. Consequently, there will be no bring and share lunch.

- EQUALITY, DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION WORKSHOP –  
Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> July 2022 on Zoom

- *Interested in Equality, Diversity and Inclusion?*
- *Want to be part of a church that practices justice in its working, shows solidarity with those who face injustice, and treats everyone with dignity and worth?*
- *Want to know more about what the Methodist Church in East Anglia is doing to achieve that vision?*

Then this introductory workshop is for you!

This workshop will be an introduction to the Strategy for Justice, Dignity and Solidarity, approved by the Conference of 2021.

This will include an introduction to some of the materials published by the Methodist Church in March 2022, including the Strategy User Guide and the Inclusive Language Guide, which are now available for use.

There will be an opportunity to find out about the support that is available to Churches and Circuits from the District and the Learning Network, and a chance to share thoughts on the needs of the Methodist Church in East Anglia moving forward.

There will be two sessions, on Zoom, to try to give as many as

possible a chance to attend

Tuesday 5th July 2.00 – 3.30pm

Tuesday 5th July 7.00 – 8.30pm

To book your place on this workshop, please email Danielle Gravestock at [office@eangliamethodist.org.uk](mailto:office@eangliamethodist.org.uk), stating which session you would like to attend.

Many thanks and kind regards

Ms Danielle Gravestock

District Administrator

- Ladies Night – Friday 15<sup>th</sup> July

This will be at 6.30pm at the Baltic Amber. Please put your name on list at the back of church if you would like to go. Baltic have asked for a £5 per head deposit, so could you please let me have that asap. Also could you please look at the Menu and list your requirements on the form provided. Many thanks, Janet

- Weddings!!

We have three weddings in our church in July:

Sat 16<sup>th</sup> July at 2pm – Jack & Natalie

Sat 23<sup>rd</sup> July at 2.30pm – Kim Prime & John Hutchins

Sat 30<sup>th</sup> July at 11.30am – Graham Norgett & Leslie

- St Mary's Church Holiday Club 2<sup>nd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> August

See attached poster for details. Booking forms will be available from Sunday Club. Book early to secure your child's place!

- Mission Boxes

For those who are holding Mission Boxes, either Mission in Britain or World Mission, may I please have them in for opening.

Thankyou

Kay

Offer

We have a large amount of cobbles and pebbles to dispose of. There must be about half a ton.

If anyone would like some or all of them they would be most welcome. Give me a ring. 07808 066 733.

Of course the Church itself must have first call on them if they would be of any use in any garden project.

God bless.

Ken and Heather.

- Toddler Group

Our Toddler Group that has been meeting in our church hall on Mondays and Thursdays 1pm-3pm is facing an uncertain future. Julie Harvey has led the group faithfully for over 20 years and has signalled that the time has come to step back.

Also, the numbers of children and families attending has been very low recently.

We are indebted to Julie for all that she has given of herself over those years in service and we express our gratitude.

Julie has said that none of the current parents attending are interested in taking on the running of the group.

So we find ourselves at a crossroads and we need to prayerfully consider our response as a church.

In this ending, is there a new opportunity beckoning?

Please include this situation in your prayers and please speak to Peter if you sense God's vision and prompting.

And if you sense God calling you to be involved in some way in any new venture that might arise - whatever your age - please also speak to Peter.

We need to ask the question "What do parents/grandparents of infants/toddlers most need from us going forward and how can we put our church premises at their service?"

Thank you.

Peter

Information for publication in Connect, or on the Sunday Morning Scroll may be emailed to: [kathy.cohen@btinternet.com](mailto:kathy.cohen@btinternet.com) or handed directly to Kathy. Please try not to leave it to the last minute to send things.

- Dates for your Diary

<b>June</b>		
17 <sup>th</sup>	10pm-2am	Town Pastors on patrol – please pray for them
19 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	Preacher: Peter (Holy Communion) Flowers: Mrs A Proctor
	3pm	Baptism of infant Theodore Leaman
	6.30pm	Come & Sing
20 <sup>th</sup>	8-8.45pm	Faithful Workout
21 <sup>st</sup>	11am-12	Tuesday Prayer in the Lounge (or in your own home)
22 <sup>nd</sup>	10am-12	Open Mind in the Church Hall
	11am	Funeral service in church for Mrs Gillian Thompson
	1-3pm	Young at Heart in the church hall – for everyone!
24 <sup>th</sup>	10pm-2am	Town Pastors on patrol – please pray for them
26 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	Preacher: Sarah G Flowers: Mrs A Creasy
		Peter at St John's Sudbury
	6.30pm	Come & Sing
27 <sup>th</sup>	8-8.45pm	Faithful Workout
28 <sup>th</sup>	11am-12	Tuesday Prayer in the Lounge (or in your own home)
29 <sup>th</sup>	10am-12	Open Mind in the Church Hall
	1-3pm	Young at Heart in the church hall – for everyone!
<b>July</b>		
1 <sup>st</sup>	10pm-2am	Town Pastors on patrol – please pray for them
3 <sup>rd</sup>	<b>10am</b>	HDCT United Service on the Rec at start of Haverhill Show (No service in church)
	6.30pm	Come & Sing
4 <sup>th</sup>	8-8.45pm	Faithful Workout
5 <sup>th</sup>	11am-12	Tuesday Prayer in the Lounge (or in your own home)
6 <sup>th</sup>	10am-12	Open Mind in the Church Hall
	1-3pm	Young at Heart in the church hall – for everyone!
8 <sup>th</sup>	10pm-2am	Town Pastors on patrol – please pray for them
10 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	Preacher: Ken Nicholls
		Peter at Trinity Methodist Church, Bury St Edmunds
	6.30pm	Come & Sing
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