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Sing to God, sing in praise of his name, extol him who rides on the clouds; rejoice before him – his name is the Lord. A father to the fatherless, a defender of widows, is God in his holy dwelling.

Psalm 68:4-5

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 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.

Mobile Phones: Please make sure your phone is off or set to silent before the service begins.

- [Church Directory](#)

This is your final reminder to submit your details (names, address, landline, mobile numbers, email addresses) to Kathy (haverhillmethodist.info@gmail.com) for inclusion in the 2022 church directory. If I have not heard from you by midnight on Sunday 31st July, I will use any details we have in the 2018 directory which may well be out of date (especially mobile numbers!)

Photos for the 'Who's Who?' board in the corridor also need to be with me as soon as possible, but you can have another week for that!

Please be assured that none of this information will go on the web and the directory will only be available to the church congregation (apart from the copy I have to send to the District Office).

Many thanks to those who have already sent me their information.

- Funeral

The funeral for Mrs Joan Medcalf of Chestnut Close will be held at our church on Friday 29th July at 11.30am, followed by burial at Haverhill Cemetery.

- Help needed

Is there anyone available to support Anne Goodchild in next Sunday's service (31st July) please? If so, please contact Cham on 07875749441 or charmainslade57@gmail.com.

Thank you.

- Electrical checks

There will be an electrician in various parts of the church premises from 9am on Monday 8th August. He will be turning the power off periodically. Please avoid entering the church buildings at this time if at all possible.

- Haverhill & District Youth for Christ

HDYFC (aka Sarah) have a couple of events coming up.

- Mocktails & Nibbles Party – 7.30pm on 27th September at West End Congregational Church
- Bake Off! 3-5pm on 16th October at Haverhill Methodist Church Hall

Further details & info on the attached flyers as well as the latest prayer letter..

- Haverhill & District Churches Together

There are a number of documents attached to this email about things happening/available through HDCT. Please take a look for more details.

- Gravetalk

There will be another opportunity to attend a taster session of Gravetalk, here in the hall on Thursday 4th August, 2.00-3.15pm. Please see the poster attached with this email for more details, or speak to Janet.

- Bring & Share Lunches

There will be a Bring & Share lunch after morning worship on Sunday 7th August.

If you haven't been to one of these lunches before, they're a great opportunity for fellowship together, getting to know some of the folk you may not usually get to chat to whilst having a good meal!

All you need to do is bring food to share to the school hall before the service where someone will take it from you (with any instructions for heating etc) to serve after the service and coffee. You don't need to "feed the five thousand", just bring enough for those attending in your family group – we always have enough to go round and then some!!

There will not be a Bring & Share lunch on 4th September as it is the Sunday Club Anniversary. Instead you are invited to join the church picnic on the Recreation Ground after the service & coffee time. Bring food, blanket, chairs etc and if you have an outdoor game we can play so much the better!

- Summer Breaks

Young@Heart are taking a break for August and return on September 7th.

Come & Sing and Faithful Workouts have now finished for the summer and will return on 4th & 5th September respectively.

- Grapevine Magazine

The theme of the next edition of Grapevine magazine will be 'World Church Vision'.

It would be good to have articles that share examples from around the District, where our Churches or Circuits share relationships with other churches in the world, sharing how those relationships enhance the fellowship, mission and worship of the church.

We would also welcome articles that share any relationships that individuals have had with churches around the world, this may include visits to other churches in the world, where you have shared in worship, mission or fellowship.

If you would like to contribute an article that relates to this theme, or know of anyone else who might do, I would be grateful if you could let me know. Articles should be around 400 – 500 words and photos may be included (sent separately from the text) if they are

available. The deadline for articles is **Monday 22nd August** but it would be great to receive them before then!

We really appreciate all the contributions we receive, and I shall look forward to hearing from you.

Many thanks and kind regards

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District Administrator

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- Prayer Diary for August

Apart from the Sunday services here are some other dates to pray for:-

August

4th Gravetalk taster session in Church Hall

7th "Bring 'n' Share" Lunch

12th Town Pastors on patrol in town

19th Town Pastors on patrol in town

26th Town Pastors on patrol in town

Extra Prayer Topics

Peter, Jo and family - Pray for Peter as he continues to lead us through this time of considerable change and uncertainty. Pray he will be guided by the Lord to bring us hope and to deepen our faith. Give thanks for the support he receives from Jo and ask the Lord to bless them as a family.

Church & Circuit Steward & Local Preachers Pray for those who support Peter in the practical and spiritual running of this Church especially in this challenging time of change. Pray for those bringing the Word of God to us each Sunday that we may all be blessed and our faith will deepen.

Invitation Committee – Pray for wisdom for the Circuit Stewards and those on the Invitation Committee as they seek the Lord's will for this Circuit. Pray also for Peter and Jo to discern where the Lord is leading them.

Worship Band – Give thanks for those who lead our worship each Sunday through music

Sunday Club – more leaders are still needed

Toddler group – Pray for the future of the Mother & Toddler group as Julie relinquishes the leadership after 22 years of service

Families – Pray for all families now that the summer holidays are here. Pray they will be times of fun and togetherness

Reach – Volunteers needed to assist in various aspects of this work. Pray the staff will not be overwhelmed at the work load increases.

Next Door- Now open 4 days a week. Please pray for the future work.

Open Mind- Give thanks to God for His provision of so many able and gifted volunteers and for new volunteers coming on board. Ask the Lord to bless this important and well received work. Continue to pray for the emotional wellbeing of those who attend.

Revival – Give thanks for the new people coming into our Church. Pray for the Lord's visitation upon this Church in power as He has promised.

Our Fellowship - Pray for those in our fellowship who are going through difficult times. Pray the Lord will meet them at their point of need. Pray for peace and healing.

Information for publication in Connect, or on the Sunday Morning Scroll may be emailed to: 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

July		
29 th	11.30am	Funeral for Mrs Joan Medcalf
	10pm-2am	Town Pastors NOT on patrol – please pray for the town
31 st	10.30am	Preacher: Peter + Holy Communion Flowers: Mrs B Wadsworth
August		
2 nd	11am-12	Tuesday Prayer in the Lounge (or in your own home)
3 rd	10am-12	Open Mind in the Church Hall
4 th	2-3.15pm	Gravetalk in the Church Hall
5 th	10pm-2am	NO Town Pastors on patrol – please pray for the town
7 th	10.30am	Preacher: Peter – All Age Worship Flowers: Mrs K Smith Bring & Share Lunch to follow
9 th	11am-12	Tuesday Prayer in the Lounge (or in your own home)
10 th	10am-12	Open Mind in the Church Hall
12 th	10pm-2am	Town Pastors on patrol – please pray for them
14 th	10.30am	Preacher: Cham Flowers: Mrs V Fisher
16 th	11am-12	Tuesday Prayer in the Lounge (or in your own home)
17 th	10am-12	Open Mind in the Church Hall
19 th	10pm-2am	Town Pastors on patrol – please pray for them
21 st	10.30am	Preacher: Sarah Flowers: Mr & Mrs M Webb
23 rd	11am-12	Tuesday Prayer in the Lounge (or in your own home)
24 th	10am-12	Open Mind in the Church Hall
26 th	10pm-2am	Town Pastors on patrol – please pray for them
28 th	10.30am	Preacher: Peter Flowers: Mrs M Thake & Mrs A Turner
30 th	11am-12	Tuesday Prayer in the Lounge (or in your own home)
31 st	10am-12	Open Mind in the Church Hall
September		
2 nd	10pm-2am	Town Pastors on patrol – please pray for them
4 th	10.30am	Preacher: Peter – Sunday Club Anniversary, All Age Worship followed by a picnic on the Rec for all the church family Flowers: Mrs L Arrowsmith
	3pm	Baptism of Michael Guilfoyle
	6.30pm	Come & Sing resumes
5 th	8-8.45pm	Faithful Workout resumes
6 th	11am-12	Tuesday Prayer in the Lounge (or in your own home)
7 th	10am-12	Open Mind in the Church Hall
	1-3pm	Young at Heart resumes in the Church Hall – for everyone!
9 th	10pm-2am	Town Pastors on patrol – please pray for them
11 th	10.30am	Preacher: Peter with Holy Communion Flowers: Mrs P Hall
	3pm	Baptism of Nevaeh Quartey
	6.30pm	Come & Sing
12 th	8-8.45pm	Faithful Workout resumes
	11am-12	Tuesday Prayer in the Lounge (or in your own home)