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Before the mountains were born or you brought forth the whole world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God.

Psalm 90:2-4

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.

- 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.

- Next Door Café

From 9th August the opening hours will be extended. The new times will be 10.30am to 1pm. If you've never visited, drop in for a coffee or even for lunch and see what's on offer!

- 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!

- Spring Clean Fortnight 8th -21st August

There is a list of jobs attached to this email. Please take a look and sign up for anything that you think you could help with. Sign-up lists will be available on Sunday – be aware that some jobs will already have been signed up to last week. Further details from John Loader (01440 703947)

- Tuesday Prayer Meeting

There will be no Prayer Meeting at the church next Tuesday 9th. There is of course still the option for people to pray in their own homes at 11am.

- Funerals

Mrs Ivy Radden. Tuesday 30th August at 11am.

Service at our church followed by burial at Haverhill cemetery.

Keith Hitchin. Wednesday 31st August 2pm.

West Suffolk Crematorium, St. Edmunds Chapel,.

The service will be also be available on a live webcast.

Details to follow.

- Wednesday Fellowship

Wednesday Fellowship will re-open on 7th September at 2,30pm in the Church Lounge. Meetings will be monthly on the first Wednesday in the month from September to December initially, to see how it goes. Please speak to Win Franklin if you want to know more about this group.

- 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.

- Historic Churches Trust Ride & Stride 10/9/22

The sponsored bike ride (or walk or horse ride) round local & not so local churches will take place on Saturday 10th September. This is a fund raiser for both the Historic Churches Trust and for ourselves as half of what we raise comes back to this church.

We are looking for (i) riders/walkers to visit other churches

(ii) people to welcome & sign in riders & walkers from other churches (on a rota basis)

(iii) lots of people to sponsor our riders/walkers

Please speak to John or Sandra Loader if you can help

- 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 in the latest prayer letter (and last week's Connect).

- Threads Through Creation Exhibition

Eight million stitches expressing God's love!

'Threads through Creation' is an extraordinary, uplifting textile art exhibition touring twenty cathedrals. It's touching thousands, and most people are blown away by it.

It's on at Bury St Edmunds - at St Edmundsbury Cathedral until 4th September. There is a document attached to this email to tell you more about it.

Go to St Eds, and you'll get to see a spectacular display of twelve huge and beautiful silk panels retelling the story of Creation from Genesis. You've probably read the story in black and white – now see a retelling in glorious colour!

It took Christian artist Jacqui Parkinson three years, miles of thread - and eight million stitches!

It's a great opportunity for Christians to enjoy, and one of those occasions where you can take non-Christian friends to – and be certain they'll enjoy it.

You can get some glimpses of all this on BBC TV Songs of Praise, this Sunday 7th August, 1.15pm and on BBC iPlayer after that.

More info: www.creation-threads.co.uk and www.stedscathedral.org

- 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

Ms Danielle Gravestock – District Administrator
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- REACH – Vacancies

We have two vacancies live on the website:

Foodbank Project Manager (18 hpw)

Communications Team Leader (F/T)

If you know of anybody who may be interested in either role please point them to the website:

<https://www.reachhaverhill.org.uk/Groups/368676/Vacancies.aspx>

where they will find further details.

Closing date for both roles is 9am on 12th September 2022.

Thanks

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Operations Director

Please note my working days are Monday-Thursday

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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

August		
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
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: Vacant
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)
	11am	Funeral of Mrs Ivy Radden, then burial at Haverhill Cemetery
31 st	10am-12	Open Mind in the Church Hall
	2pm	Funeral of Keith Hitchen at West Suffolk Crematorium
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
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18 th	10.30am	Preacher: Sarah Flowers: Vacant (Peter preaching in Bury St Edmunds Circuit)
	6.30pm	Come & Sing