



Connect Issue 129

Haverhill Methodist Church

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Friday 21st October 2022

The Sovereign Lord is my strength; he makes my feet like the feet of a deer, he enables me to tread on the heights. For the director of music. On my stringed instruments.

Habakkuk 3:19

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 <a href="https://example.com/here/beach-approach-appr

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.

Open Mind

Please Note: OM will be closed on October 26th for half-term. If anyone needs urgent help with their mental health, please call the NHS on 111 option 2 or call the Samaritans for free on 116 123. O OM will be open the following week.

• Extra Church Prayer Meeting

There will be a church prayer meeting open to all on Friday 28th October 7pm-8pm in the church lounge.

This is to pray together ahead of the stationing matching group that meets the following week.

We hope you can join us as we pray for all involved and seek God's will for the future.

• Light Party - Sunday 30th October, 4.30-6pm

Please let Claire Evans know if you would like to help. Please invite your friends and family.

Link to Hope Shoeboxes

The Christmas shoeboxes which have been returned to church will be dedicated during our morning service on Sunday 30th October, before being taken to Clare Baptist Church (the local collection point).

Monday 31st October

The gardening group will meet, 10.30am at 7 Bryony Close. Ken

The Alpha Course starting 1st November 7:30pm Online.

The fantastic film and discussion based series is aimed at those on the edge of church, or exploring faith for the first time. Invite and bring your friends! Find out more and register at <u>alpha.org</u> by searching for Haverhill Alpha.

Sunday 6th November

There will be a Bring & Share lunch after morning worship.

• Family Quiz night on Saturday November 26th at 6 pm

Please could you sign the sheet in the foyer so that we can cater appropriately! Sign as individuals, couples groups or as tables of 8. Bring your own nibbles and non-alcoholic drinks.

No charge but a donation to Church funds would be much appreciated.

Many thanks.

Ken and Heather Nicholls

• Ladies Night Out - Friday December 9th, 6.30pm, Flying Shuttle

6.30pm for 7.00pm start. Christmas menu available – 2 courses £18.50 or 3 courses £21.50. If you don't want the Christmas Menu,

you can order from the daily menu. Please put your name on the list if you would like to go and also if you need a lift. We will require a £10 deposit please. We will need to book by 28th November, so please let us know if you want to come asap. Further information from Janet or Susan. Thank you

Posada

Please sign up for the Posada, Details and sheet available over refreshments after the service. Thank you, Ken.

• Thank You

I would like to thank Peter and all the Church Family for the generous gift given to me following my recent retirement as Church Treasurer. It was a very kind thought. Thank you.

Tom Parker

GIFT AID TAX REFUNDS

The amount received for the tax year 2021/22 was £8551.36. This is for those members of the Church that either contribute via their bank or use the envelope scheme and have signed up to the Gift Aid Scheme. A big Thank you for doing this.

In addition to this, the Gift Aid for the loose cash placed on the collection plate amounted to £917.21 for the same period.

In past years this source of income has often prevented expenditure exceeding income in the final yearly accounts.

Can I encourage those who pay tax and don't currently Gift Aid their donations to do so. It costs nothing and the Church benefits. For every pound contributed the governments gives us an extra 25p. Ask me or any of the stewards for a form.

Tom Parker – Gift Aid Secretary

Church Membership

If you would be interested in exploring Church Membership this autumn, please speak to our minister Peter and he would be pleased to have a conversation with you.

• Flower Rota

There are a few vacancies on the flower rota. If anyone would like to

donate to the church flowers please contact Sue Symonds on 01440 763613.

Advance Notice

There will be music exams taking place in the church, vestry and coffee lounge on Wed 30th November and Thurs 1st December.

Advance Diary Dates To Note

Remembrance of Loved Ones Service Thursday 10th November 7pm

Toy Service Sunday 4th December 10.30am Church Carol Service Sunday 11th December 5pm Christingle Sunday 18th December 10.30am Christmas Eve Communion 11.30pm Christmas Day 10am

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

October					
21 st	10pm-2am	Town Pastors on patrol – please pray for them			
23 rd	10.30am	Preacher: Charmaine Flowers: Wednesday Fellowsh			
	6.30pm	Come & Sing			
24 th	8-8.45pm	Faithful Workout			
25 th	11am-12	Tuesday Prayer in Next Door (or in your own home)			
26 th	1-3pm	Young at Heart in the Church Hall – for everyone!			
28 th	7-8pm	Prayer meeting for Stationing Matching Group meeting			
	10pm-2am	Town Pastors on patrol – please pray for them			
30 th	10.30am	Preacher: Peter- dedication of shoeboxes Flowers: Vacant			
	4.30-6pm	Light Party – see flyer			
	6.30pm	Come & Sing			
31 st	10.30am	Gardening Group meet at 7 Bryony Close			
	8-8.45pm	Faithful Workout			
November					
1 st	11am-12	Tuesday Prayer in Next Door (or in your own home)			
	7.30pm	Online Alpha Course begins			
2 nd	10am-12	Open Mind in the Church Hall			
	1-3pm	Young at Heart in the Church Hall – for everyone!			
4 th	10pm-2am	Town Pastors on patrol – please pray for them			
6 th	10.30am	Preacher: Sarah – All Age Worship Flowers: Mrs J Stewart			
	6.30pm	Come & Sing			
7 th	8-8.45pm	Faithful Workout			
8 th	11am-12	Tuesday Prayer in Next Door (or in your own home)			
9 th	10am-12	Open Mind in the Church Hall			
	1-3pm	Young at Heart in the Church Hall – for everyone!			
10 th	7pm	Service of Remembrance of Loved Ones			
11 th	10pm-2am	Town Pastors on patrol – please pray for them			
13 th	10.30am	Preacher: Peter–Remembrance Sunday Flowers: Mr L Jacobs			
41-	6.30pm	Come & Sing			
14 th	8-8.45pm	Faithful Workout			
15 th	11am-12	Tuesday Prayer in Next Door (or in your own home)			
16 th	10am-12	Open Mind in the Church Hall			
41-	1-3pm	Young at Heart in the Church Hall – for everyone!			
18 th	10pm-2am	Town Pastors on patrol – please pray for them			
		Preacher: Ken Nicholls Flowers: Mr & Mrs R Beaumont			
		(Peter at St John's, Sudbury)			
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