



## Haverhill Methodist Church

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*Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name. For the Lord is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations.*

*Psalm 100:4-5*

**Prayer Chain:** If you'd like to request a prayer for yourself, or for someone you know, please email [kathy.cohen@btinternet.com](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.

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

- Sunday Club:

We will be having our Sunday Club Christmas Party on Sunday 18th December, 12-2pm, straight after the Christingle Service. We will have a bring and share party lunch. Please let Claire know if you can make it.

[claire@evans-mail.co.uk](mailto:claire@evans-mail.co.uk)

- Advent Study Group – remaining session

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> December 7.30pm

*Future ...Perfect? – Understanding God's plan for our whole life: yesterday, today and tomorrow*

Peter Goodhall and David Frost

## Nativity scene from last week's carol service



## Anne's 70<sup>th</sup> Birthday Party

On Saturday 17th December Anne will be having her 70th birthday party in our hall from 3.00pm and we are all invited to come along. Her carer has made it from 3.00 so anyone attending Light up a Life at St Mary's can come along afterwards. As a church we will be giving her a beautiful lap blanket made by members of Snobbyeddys. Please come along if you are able to. Janet [janet\\_etheridge1@icloud.com](mailto:janet_etheridge1@icloud.com)

## Covenant Service 8<sup>th</sup> January 2023

We are delighted to announce that our Chair of District, Rev Julian Pusrehouse, will preach at our Covenant service, which will be led by Peter.

## Marion & Charles Crane

I've recently spoken with Marian Crane and she asked me to send greetings to everyone who knew them and apologise that she is unable to send Christmas cards. Charles, who is suffering with dementia, is now bedridden and being cared for at home but still knows her and the family. Please pray for them both.

Joyce

## Au revoir or hwyl Fawr

Dear Church family.

I would like to introduce you to Lois and Frank who at present, reside in Kedington. I say at present because after 48 years, they will be returning to Wales. In recent times you may not have seen them at church. Health conditions have prevented them from coming in person. However, our dear friends have continued to keep in touch via our video recordings and most importantly, with online distribution of our valuable 'Connect'. They have continued to support our church greatly and will be sadly missed.

Recently, Peter and myself, went to call on Lois and Frank at their home. We were given very warm welcome and spent a long time chatting about their impending move. We were amazed and uplifted at their positivity which at times, has filled them with much trepidation. Venturing on such a huge upheaval at this particular time in their lives must have been daunting to say the least.

On your behalf, Peter presented them with a pretty Holly tree which they accepted gracefully. We hope we will see them from time to time as Lois and Frank have relatives in this area and they assured us they will come and visit us in the future if health conditions allow, Lois and Frank, if you have the opportunity to read this then we would like to send you our love, best wishes and a healthy future as you make your new home in Wales. God Bless you both and may he keep you safe and walk alongside you now and always.

With many Blessings

Peter and Jacqueline on behalf of Haverhill Methodist Church.

## Meadows Care Home services

The following dates are confirmed for these services:

Sunday January 22<sup>nd</sup> 2023

Sunday February 19<sup>th</sup> 2023

Sunday March 19<sup>th</sup> 2023 – Mothering Sunday

If you would like to join in any of these events, please meet in the foyer of the Meadows at 2.45pm – also please let Peter know to expect you.

### Advance Diary Dates To Note

Christingle Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> December 10.30am

Christmas Eve Communion 11.30pm

Christmas Day 10am

New Year's Day All Age Worship 10.30am

Covenant Service 8<sup>th</sup> January 2023 10.30am (Rev Julian Pursehouse)

*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

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|------------------------|-------------|--|
| <b>December</b>        |             |  |
| 16 <sup>th</sup>       | 10pm-2am    | Town Pastors NOT on patrol – please pray for the town  |
| 18 <sup>th</sup>       | 10.30am     | Preacher: Peter – Christingle Service<br>Flowers: Church Christmas Flowers                       |
| 20 <sup>th</sup>       | 11am-12     | Tuesday Prayer in Next Door (or in your own home)  |
| 21 <sup>st</sup>       | 10am-12     | Open Mind in Church Hall – last session before Christmas   |
| 22 <sup>nd</sup>       | 7.30-9pm    | Advent Study with Peter & David  |
| 23 <sup>rd</sup>       | 10pm-2am    | Town Pastors NOT on patrol – please pray for the town  |
| 24 <sup>th</sup>       | 11.30pm     | Christmas Eve Communion  |
| <b>25<sup>th</sup></b> | <b>10am</b> | Christmas Day Family Service<br>Flowers: Church Christmas Flowers                                |
| 30 <sup>th</sup>       | 10pm-2am    | Town Pastors NOT on patrol – please pray for the town  |
| <b>January</b>         |             |  |
| 1 <sup>st</sup>        | 10.30am     | Preacher: Peter – All Age Worship<br>Flowers: Church Christmas Flowers                           |
| 4 <sup>th</sup>        | 10am-12     | Open Mind in the Church Hall   |
| 6 <sup>th</sup>        | 10pm-2am    | Town Pastors NOT on patrol – please pray for the town  |
| 8 <sup>th</sup>        | 10.30am     | Preacher: Rev Julian Pursehouse – Covenant Service with Holy Communion<br>Flowers: Mrs G Wadeson |
| 10 <sup>th</sup>       | 11am-12     | Tuesday Prayer in Next Door (or in your own home)  |
| 11 <sup>th</sup>       | 10am-12     | Open Mind in the Church Hall   |
|                        | 1-3pm       | Young at Heart in the Church Hall – for everyone!  |
| 15 <sup>th</sup>       | 10.30am     | Preacher: Peter<br>Flowers: Mrs W Fanklin  |