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You, God, are my God, earnestly I seek you; I thirst for you, my whole being longs for you, in a dry and parched land where there is no water.

Psalm 63:1

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.

- [Prayer-Time before Sunday morning worship](#)

We have reinstated a time of prayer before Sunday worship.

The church lounge next to the vestry will be set aside from 10am every Sunday for anyone to meet to pray.

The prayer time is not led but a time of open prayer.

It is a time to cover the church service in prayer and it is a peaceful way to prepare for our collective worship at 10.30.

You are invited to join in when you can.

In this year of pray23.org it provides a further opportunity for us to pray together.

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- Welcome into church membership

This Sunday 19th February in our morning service we are blessed to be welcoming into church membership Robert and Jill Archibald, Pat Fish, Cynthia Hart, Heather Nicholls, Derek and Susan Marren and Gill and Dave Wadeson. We pray God's blessing upon each one and the gifts of His grace.

- Meadows Care Home – next service

The next service at the Meadows care Home will be on 19th February at 3pm. If you would like to go along to support Peter & Alan, please let Peter know and meet at the home reception at 2.45pm.

- Ladies Night – 24th February 6.30 for 7.00pm – Flying Shuttle.

Could you please bring cash if possible on the night as this makes it much easier to pay the bill. I will bring a copy of what you have ordered and how much money is still owed. Please remember drinks are to be paid for at the bar and not put on the bill (except for coffee). If anyone has still not got a lift, could you let me or Susan know asap. Look forward to seeing you all there (unless they have another boiler miss function!!!) Janet

- Pray 2-3 Online Meeting

You're invited to join the next East Anglia Pray 2-3 online prayer meeting.

It takes place on Monday 27th February, at 7pm on Zoom.

To attend, click this link to register:

https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJAtde-rpzlpE9GlpXL_6OBUPsSSASzt6hbn

- Lent Prayer Meetings in the church lounge

Join us as we set aside time and space to pray together in Lent. This will include prayers for our stationing situation as we seek the Lord's will and way for us.

- Thursday 23rd February 8-9pm
- Wednesday 1st March 8-9pm
- Thursday 9th March 8-9pm
- Thursday 16th March 8-9pm

- Tuesday 21st March 8-9pm
- Thursday 30th March 8-9pm

- Date for your diary - General Church Meeting

Our next General Church Meeting will take place after our morning service and refreshments on Sunday 12th March and will be held in the church.

We shall celebrate the work of God through our various church organisations and activities. We shall also appoint our church officers for the coming year and look to the future.

All are invited and encouraged to stay for this meeting. Please make a note of the date. Thank you.

- Foundation safeguarding training.

As you know safeguarding and keeping each other safe is everyone's responsibility in the church.

We will be running the safeguarding foundation training run by specialist trainers, on 15th April 1pm to approximately 4.45 in the church hall. Refreshments will be available in the break.

If you volunteer in any of the clubs and activities run by the church it is important that you complete the training if possible.

Please sign up with the link below

<https://eangliamethodist.org.uk/safeguarding/training-foundation>

If you have any questions or concerns please come and speak to either Peter or myself Thank you Gill

- Meadows Care Home services

Sunday March 19th 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.

- Charity Concert for REACH – 12th May

Last January Henry Wilson gave a very interesting talk at the u3a about REACH. Two Haverhill u3a members David and Marie Caulfield are organising a fund raising concert for REACH. The concert will be at the Haverhill Arts Centre on the 12th of May and will feature some excellent musicians and singers. Tickets are priced at £10 each and all proceeds will go to REACH. The Town Council

and the Arts Centre have been financially supportive of this event in order to allow us to raise the maximum amount of money. Please look at this link <https://bit.ly/3wzA6sR> for more information. Tickets can be purchased from the Haverhill Arts Centre.

- Save the date

River of Life Community Church are holding a Chalkstone Fun Day 2nd August 2023.

Do let me know if you wish to be involved.

Thank you.

Jacqueline Lowry, Operations Coordinator

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- Advance Diary Dates To Note

Music Exams 22-24th March

Mothering Sunday 19th March

Palm Sunday 2nd April

Maundy Thursday – 6th April Service of Holy Communion 7pm

Good Friday 7th April – details to be confirmed

Easter Sunday 9th April 8am Holy Communion

Easter Sunday Breakfast

Easter Sunday All Age Service 10.30am

Foundation Safeguarding Training 15th April 1-4.30pm

King's Coronation Weekend – 6/7 May – Coronation Big Lunch after church on Sunday 7 May.

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

- Dates for your Diary

February		
18 th	7pm	February Fun – Soup & Pudding Night + Rinaldi Express
19 th	10.30am	Preacher: Peter (with Holy Communion) Flowers: Mr & Mrs M Etheridge Prayer time from 10am in the church lounge
	2.45pm	Meadows Care Home service
20 th	8.45-11am	One Life Suffolk
21 st	11am-12	Tuesday Prayer in Next Door (or in your own home)
22 nd		Ash Wednesday – beginning of Lent
	10am-12	Open Mind in the Church Hall
	1-3pm	Young at Heart in the Church Hall – for everyone!
23 rd	8-9pm	Lent Prayer Meeting - 1
24 th	6.30pm	Ladies Night at the Flying Shuttle
26 th	10.30am	Preacher: Peter Flowers: Mr & Mrs J Loader Prayer time from 10am in the church lounge
27 th	8.45-11am	One Life Suffolk
	7pm	Pray 2-3 East Anglia meeting on Zoom (see above for details)
28 th	11am-12	Tuesday Prayer in Next Door (or in your own home)
March		
1 st	10am-12	Open Mind in the Church Hall
	10am-12	Painting for Pleasure in the Loft
	1-3pm	Young at Heart in the Church Hall – for everyone!
	8-9pm	Lent Prayer Meeting - 2
5 th	10.30am	Preacher: Peter - All Age Worship Flowers: Mr & Mrs N Wray Prayer time from 10am in the church lounge
6 th	8.45-11am	One Life Suffolk
7 th	11am-12	Tuesday Prayer in Next Door (or in your own home)
8 th	10am-12	Open Mind in the Church Hall
	1-3pm	Young at Heart in the Church Hall – for everyone!
9 th	8-9pm	Lent Prayer Meeting - 3
12 th	10.30am	Preacher: Henry Wilson Flowers: Mr K Barker Prayer time from 10am in the church lounge
13 th	8.45-11am	One Life Suffolk
14 th	11am-12	Tuesday Prayer in Next Door (or in your own home)
15 th	10am-12	Open Mind in the Church Hall
	10am-12	Painting for Pleasure in the Loft
	1-3pm	Young at Heart in the Church Hall – for everyone!
16 th	8-9pm	Lent Prayer Meeting - 4
19 th	10.30am	Preacher: Sarah Glasswell – Mothering Sunday Prayer time from 10am in the church lounge Flowers: Mr & Mrs T Seljame