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Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer.

Romans 12:12

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.

- Whole Church Prayer Meeting Feedback

We had a good meeting with more than two dozen people attending to pray about our stationing situation. Starting with sung worship we then broke into small groups to pray, with 'praise & promise' scriptures provided for inspiration if needed.

We came together at the end to share any messages people felt God had given them, which were as follows:

The message I think I got was "I will prosper you. I will not desert you. You will have someone new, but not for a while. Do not fear, I am with you."

Sarah G

I felt God was prompting me to be patient and know that He would send someone to minister to us in His time, not ours.

The Disciples were concerned about not having Jesus physically there to reassure them, but they remained strong in their faith. So let us be positive and He will send the right person to us.

Dorothy P

We may well have another of these meetings, please come along and join us.

Kathy

- Pray 2-3

At our All Age Service on Sun 7th May we will be distributing postcards in relation to our District's Pray 2-3 initiative. All will be revealed on the day!

Claire Waller

- Coronation Big Community Lunch on the Rec

We have been invited by Mayor Bruce Davidson, as a congregation, to join in with the Coronation Big Lunch on the Rec on Sunday 7th May from 12.30 – 4pm. You will need to bring your own lunch plus any chairs/tables/blankets you are likely to need.

Further details are on the poster attached with this email.

Refreshments after our morning service on May 7th will be served as usual.

- Church Council/Circuit Meeting

A reminder to those involved that the next Church Council/Circuit Meeting is set for Thursday 11 May 2023 at 7.30pm in the Coffee Lounge.

- Funeral of Terry Swallow

Terry Swallow's funeral will take place on Friday 12th May at 2pm in our church followed by refreshments served in the church hall

The service will be followed by burial at Haverhill cemetery.

Donations received in memory of Terry will be for our Next Door Cafe. (Any cheques payable to 'Next Door Haverhill Methodist Church')

If anyone has some memories of Terry or words of tribute that they would like to share, Peter would be pleased to hear from you.

- Thinking about Church Membership?

There will be an opportunity to be welcomed into church membership on Pentecost Sunday 28th May at 10.30am.

If you are interested, and would like to explore it further, please contact Peter.

- Open Mind

On Monday 5th June from 7.30-9pm, Open Mind will be holding the first of its monthly evening sessions, specifically for those who cannot attend the weekly Wednesday daytime sessions.

Please get the word out and please pray for Cham and her team in this new venture.

- Gravetalk session with St Nicholas Hospice

Gravetalk - Have you thought about...?

For those with questions about death and dying having someone to talk to can often be invaluable – but how do you start those conversations?

In this taster session, we will look at life, death, society, funerals and grief. In essence, it is learning through exploring, experiences, thoughts and expectations. It is knowing ourselves to enable, equip and encourage others to have difficult conversations.

This GraveTalk session takes place on Friday, 9 June, from 10.30am – midday at Haverhill Methodist Church Hall. All are welcome.

For more information and to book for this session, please email gravetalk@stnh.org.uk or simply turn up, or speak to Janet. (Poster attached to this email)

- Young at Heart outing – now Tuesday 13th June

Trip to Norwich, due to lack of numbers I've had to cancel the trip to Norwich on Monday 15th May – Felix coaches have offered us 20 seats on their trip to Norwich on Tuesday June 13th – if you would like to come please let me know asap as I have to let the coach company know. Cost £14. Janet

- **Date for your diary – The Goodhall's farewell service**

Peter's farewell service will take place in our church on Sunday 16th July at 10.30am.

Peter will then take annual leave until their move to Jersey sometime towards the end of July or beginning of August.

- **Advance Diary Dates To Note**

King's Coronation Weekend – 6/7 May – Coronation Big Lunch on the Rec – Sunday 7 May 12.30-4pm

Meadows care Home Service 14th May

Open Mind will be meeting once a month from the 5th June on a Monday evening 7–9.30

Peter's farewell service Sunday 16th July

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

May		
6 th	from 11am	Coronation of King Charles III
7 th	10.30am	Preacher: Peter All Age Worship Flowers: Mrs M LeRoy Prayer time from 10am in the church lounge
	Followed by	Coronation Big Community Lunch on the Rec
9 th	11am-12	Tuesday Prayer in Next Door (or in your own home)
10 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!
12 th	2pm	Funeral of Terry Swallow in our church
14 th	10.30am	Preacher: Peter Holy Communion Prayer time from 10am in the church lounge Flowers: Mr & Mrs S Symonds
	3pm	Service at the Meadows Care Home – meet in foyer 2.45pm
16 th	11am-12	Tuesday Prayer in Next Door (or in your own home)
17 th	10am-12	Open Mind in the Church Hall
	1-3pm	Young at Heart in the Church Hall – for everyone!
21 st	10.30am	Preacher: David Frost Flowers: Mrs G Wadeson Prayer time from 10am in the church lounge
23 rd	11am-12	Tuesday Prayer in Next Door (or in your own home)
24 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!
28 th	10.30am	Preacher: Peter - Pentecost Flowers: Mrs H Curtis Prayer time from 10am in the church lounge
30 th	11am-12	Tuesday Prayer in Next Door (or in your own home)
31 st	10am-12	Open Mind in the Church Hall
	1-3pm	Young at Heart in the Church Hall – for everyone!
June		
4 th	10.30am	Preacher: Peter All Age Worship Flowers: Mrs M Insole Prayer time from 10am in the church lounge
5 th	7-9.30pm	Open Mind in the Church Hall
6 th	11am-12	Tuesday Prayer in Next Door (or in your own home)
7 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!
9 th	10.30am-12	Gravetalk Meeting with St Nicholas Hospice in Church Hall
11 th	10.30am	Preacher: Sarah Glasswell Flowers: Mrs D Letcher Prayer time from 10am in the church lounge
13 th	11am-12	Tuesday Prayer in Next Door (or in your own home)
	All day	Young at Heart trip to Norwich
14 th	10am-12	Open Mind in the Church Hall
	1-3pm	Young at Heart in the Church Hall – for everyone!

