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Know therefore that the Lord your God is God; he is the faithful God, keeping his covenant of love to a thousand generations of those who love him and keep his commandments.

Deuteronomy 7:9

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.

Sunday 2nd July

**There will be a 30 minute service on the Rec
at 10am**

for the opening of the Haverhill Show

**You are encouraged to attend this service as there will
be no service in our church on that day**

- Threads through Creation exhibition

Some of you will have seen this exhibition at Bury St Edmunds Cathedral, if you missed it there or would like to see it again, it will be at Ely Cathedral from 14th June to 26th July – see poster attached to this email.

- Messy Church Beach Party – Sunday 25th June 4-6pm

Come and join our Beach Party!

A free event for all the family.
Fun, games, arts and crafts, food!

Haverhill Methodist Church Hall
Sunday 25th June, 4-6pm

All children must be accompanied by an adult
(Activities are mainly aimed at Primary age/pre-school)

For more information or to book email:
HMCmessychurch@gmail.com

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Sunday Club would be very grateful for any donations of seat pads (like you would have on garden chairs).

For our next messy church we would also appreciate any donations of small shells, gem pebbles or similar beach decorations suitable for crafts.

Thank you
Claire

- Piano Exams

There will be piano exams taking place in the church, vestry & coffee lounge from Monday 26th to Wednesday 28th June. Please DO NOT ENTER these areas and be mindful of any noise in the vicinity – including the car park.

- Pray 2-3 Event – Monday 26th June @ 7pm

Below is the zoom invite for the June Pray 2-3 District prayer meeting: Monday 26th June at 7pm. All welcome!

A group of about 5-8 people usually come to listen to God and pray as they feel led for about 40 minutes. **If you've not been before, you're most welcome to drop in.** Vanessa Murphy from St Ives Methodist Church leads it.

Time: Jun 26, 2023 7:00 PM

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us05web.zoom.us/j/86270784675?pwd=NDBubncraGFLYXQ3MkJsWFpjRXhzUT09>

Meeting ID: 862 7078 4675

Passcode: JMiTB6

- Please Note

The Tuesday prayer meeting on 27th June will be in the prayer room in Next Door due to the Piano exams in the church.

- Haverhill Singers Summer Concert

Haverhill Singers will be giving a concert at HMC on Saturday, 1st July at 7pm.

We will be celebrating all things bright and summery and welcoming our new MD Matthew Olyver.

Tickets are £10 for adults and FOC for accompanied under 16's with yummy buffet and soft summer punch to follow concert included in the price.

See attached poster for more info and booking details.

- RACE FOR LIFE – Sunday 2nd July

Jacqui Player, Janet Etheridge, Gill Wadeson and Susan Marren are taking part in the Cambridge Race for Life as a team, helping to raise money for cancer research. If you would like to sponsor them, there is a form in the Foyer (last day this Sunday) or you can go onto their Just Giving Facebook Page.

Thank You

- Golden Wedding Celebrations!

On Sunday 23rd July we will join Linda & Ron Walker in celebrating their Golden Wedding Anniversary. Ken Nicholls will pronounce a blessing on the couple during the service and there will be a few pictures of their great day!

- Cavell Community Choir Concert in aid of the Garden Fund

The Cavell Community Choir from Steeple Bumpstead will be performing a concert of show songs on Saturday 29th July at 7.30pm here at HMC. Tickets are £5 on the door, including refreshments. See Flyer attached to this email.

- Mission Boxes

Would anyone who has a World Mission Box or Mission in Britain collecting box please let me have them as soon as possible for opening.

Many thanks

Kay

- Preaching Plan

The next printed preaching plan will cover September, October and November.

For the months of July and August, preachers will be named in the Connect diary.

- Who's who?

I am still trying to get together a 'Who's who?' noticeboard of photographs of our church congregation. It's a real help when you're not sure who you've been speaking to, or what the person you need to talk to looks like – especially with so many new faces. *If you haven't done so already*, please send a simple head & shoulders selfie to kathy.cohen@btinternet.com Couples, please could I have a photo of the two of you together. No children please. None of this will go online, it is just for the noticeboard.

If you would like someone to take your photo, please speak to me on a Sunday morning or email me.

Thanks, Kathy

- Readers' Rota from August

The current rota of people scheduled to read the scriptures in our services comes to an end in July. I will be preparing a new rota in the next couple of weeks. If you are on the rota but feel you need to come off, please let me know.

Equally, if you would like to join the rota please contact me. Duties come round once every 4 to 5 months and you can always swap with someone else if you can't do your allocated week – just let me know so I know who to send the readings to. Each reading is printed for you in 16pt text so no squinting at tiny bible sized print, and line breaks are designed so you can take a breath in places where it won't affect the sense of the reading.

Thanks, Kathy

- Prayer Diary for July

Apart from the Sunday services here are some other dates to pray for:-

July

- 1 Haverhill Singers Concert at Haverhill Methodist Church
- 2 10am – Morning worship on the Rec. at the opening of the Show
- 2 Race for Life - Jacqui, Janet, Gill and Susan taking part for Cancer Research
- 8 Wedding of Emma Manktelow & Danny Farrant
- 16 Peter and Jo's farewell Service
- 23 Golden Wedding Anniversary of Linda and Ron Walker
- 29 Cavell Community Choir concert in aid of the garden fund

Extra Prayer Topics

Peter, Jo and family – Please pray for Peter and Jo and family as they leave Haverhill and settle into their new position in Jersey.

Church & Circuit Steward & Local Preachers Pray for those who have responsibility for leading us in the practical and spiritual running of this Church especially in this challenging time of change. Pray for those bringing the Word of God to us each Sunday that we may all be blessed and our faith will deepen.

Invitation Committee – We give thanks for our Stationing Committee and pray for them as they continue to serve our Church.

Worship Band – Give thanks for those who lead our worship each Sunday through music. Please pray for more musicians to come forward to join the band.

Sunday Club – More leaders and helpers are still needed. Give thanks for the growing numbers of Sunday Club youngsters.

Property Committee – Pray for the property committee as they prioritise the work needed to keep all the property in good condition and as they explore the possibility of selling the manse and purchasing a more suitable property

YFC-Pray for the work of Sarah through YFC as she is involved in lessons, clubs, mentoring and chaplaincy work. Pray also for the work of Illuminate.

Next Door- Now open 4 days a week. Please pray for the future work.

Reach – Please pray for all those involved in the work of Reach as it tries to alleviate the suffering of so many at this time of financial challenge.

Open Mind – Please pray for the ongoing work of Open Mind.

Revival – Give thanks for the new people coming into our Church. Pray for the Lord's visitation upon this Church in power as He has promised.

Our Fellowship - Pray for those in our fellowship who are going through difficult times. Pray the Lord will meet them at their point of need. Pray for peace and healing.

- Advance Notice

Wedding of Emma Manktelow and Danny Farrant Saturday 8th July
3pm

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.

