



Haverhill Methodist Church

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If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.

1 John 1:8-9

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.

The link is <https://haverhillchurchestogether.wordpress.com/prayer-requests/>

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- [Booking your seats for Sunday services](#)

We will continue to need to book seats for Sunday services until at least Sunday 18th July. Please try to do this by 10pm on the Friday evening before the service using the email address haverhillmethodist.info@gmail.com or phone Kathy on 01440 762536. If the service is full when you try to book you will be offered a seat for the following week.

**This Sunday's service is all age worship.
Seats are still available.**

Each service will be video recorded (front of church only) and put on our YouTube channel and our website on Sunday afternoon. Links will be sent out as usual.

- Methodist Conference – God In Love Unites Us

As you may have heard the Methodist Conference has voted this week to adopt the resolutions regarding relationships and marriage. You can read about this in the link to the Methodist Church Website below.

Decisions about allowing same-sex marriages are to be made at local church level.

Further guidance will be given to Circuits in due course.

Please continue to pray for the Methodist Church as we respond to this significant change.

<https://www.methodist.org.uk/about-us/news/latest-news/all-news/conference-confirms-resolutions-on-marriage-and-relationships/>

Please also read the pastoral letter from the President & Vice President of Conference attached to this email.

Peter Goodhall

- Haverhill & District Youth for Christ

Here are two opportunities to give to H&DYFC!

Firstly, Illuminate youth group are taking on a 7 mile sponsored walk, from Haverhill to Clare, on 11th July. Our target is £700, that's a whopping £100 per mile! The money will go towards running Illuminate. Donations can be made by cash or cheque (Haverhill & District Youth for Christ) and sent to Sarah Glasswell, Next Door Coffee Shop, 28 Camps Road, Haverhill, CB9 8HF, by bank transfer (Haverhill & District Youth for Christ, sort code 30:93:99 account number 00720888 with reference WALK) or by following the link

[Haverhill Youth for Christ – Youth for Christ \(yfc.co.uk\)](https://www.yfc.co.uk)

[\(yfc.co.uk/sponsor/haverhill\)](https://www.yfc.co.uk/sponsor/haverhill)

<https://mailchi.mp/88b1915248c2/illuminates-sponsored-walk-update?e=9be49788ec>

We have also signed up to Giveacar, an organisation that collects and sells donated cars and passes the money on to the person's chosen charity. This is the direct link [Haverhill & District Youth for Christ | Give A Car Donate your car to charity](#) but it is possible to

just Google Giveacar and then search for the charity from their website too.

Sarah Glasswell
Senior Youth Worker
Haverhill and District Youth for Christ
Next Door Cafe
28 Camps Road
Haverhill
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07375 240766

Registered charity number 1176719

- Church Car Parking

Haverhill ambulance station is once again hosting training sessions for updates on covid related training starting from July 2021. The training sessions will be only on a Wednesday and Thursday each week for 8 staff and 2 instructors.

There is currently only enough parking for operational staff at Haverhill ambulance station so we have agreed they can use our church car park as an overflow.

This may mean a shortage of parking space on these days so we will monitor the situation and may need to limit their access if difficulties arise.

We apologise for any temporary inconvenience this may cause you. Please let me know if there is a serious problem.

Thanks for your understanding,

John Loade

Cards

An assortment of cards – birthday, sympathy, anniversary etc - are available from the Church Café when it is open (see below). They are in a box on the counter.

Kim

- Church Café News

Due to the change in Government regulations, we were unable to return the café to Next Door as planned on 21st June.

Hopefully the date will now be week beginning 19th July but we will keep you posted.

If you had planned to help with cleaning on Monday 21st. we will rearrange for July, prior to the move.

In the meantime we will continue to meet in the school hall. We are open from 10.30 until 12.30 on Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday.

We look forward to seeing all our friends again.

God bless, Next Door Team

- Church Premises – Updated Notice

During this time of Covid lockdown our church premises have been closed to everyone. This is because all entry must be accompanied by a strict regime of cleaning/sanitising.

With the gradual relaxing of regulations our premises will begin to open up to hirers and a few are now returning. However, please continue to limit your access to essential visits only, as we have a duty of care to keep everyone safe and clean/sanitise areas that have been used.

Regular users have provided risk assessments and are operating their own approved cleaning plan.

If you think your entry is essential please contact Rev Peter Goodhall or Mick Etheridge for authorization BEFORE your visit.

Thank you,

John Loader - Property Steward

- REACH

Now that we are beginning to come back to church, we are accepting donations to the Food Bank and I shall continue to make sure they are delivered. Please look out for any special items they are looking for. Thank you for your donations in the past.

Mick Etheridge

- Haverhill Town Pastors

We are in need of a new treasurer as Daniel Summers is stepping down from the position. If you would be interested in the position

yourself or possibly know someone who might be interested then please pass on my details for them to contact me.

Blessings,
Paula

- Dates to remember:

July		
2 nd	2pm	Wedding of Andrew Dryden and Hollie Grashion
	9pm-12	Town Pastors on patrol – please pray for them
Sun 4 th	10.30am	Preacher: Sarah – All Age Flowers: Mr & Mrs T Parker
5 th	8-8.45pm	Faithful Workout– contact Sonja: sonjathiessen1@gmail.com
6 th	11am-12	Tuesday Prayer in the Loft (or in your own home)
Sun 11 th	10.30am	Preacher: Peter Flowers: Mrs C Guilfoyle
12 th	8-8.45pm	Faithful Workout
13 th	11am-12	Tuesday Prayer in the Loft (or in your own home)
16 th	9pm-12	Town Pastors on patrol – please pray for them
Sun 18 th	10.30am	Preacher: tba Flowers: Mrs T Westley
19 th	8-8.45pm	Faithful Workout
20 th	11am-12	Tuesday Prayer in the Loft (or in your own home)
Sun 25 th	10.30am	Preacher: Peter (Holy Communion) Flowers: Mrs B Wadsworth
26 th	8-8.45pm	Faithful Workout
27 th	11am-12	Tuesday Prayer in the Loft (or in your own home)
30 th	9pm-12	Town Pastors on patrol – please pray for them
August		
Sun 1 st	10.30am	Preacher: Peter – All Age
2 nd	8-8.45pm	Faithful Workout
3 rd	11am-12	Tuesday Prayer in the Loft (or in your own home)
Sun 8 th	10.30am	Preacher: Cham Slade Flowers:
9 th	8-8.45pm	Faithful Workout
10 th	11am-12	Tuesday Prayer in the Loft (or in your own home)

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