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For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith – and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God – not by works, so that no one can boast.

Ephesians 2:8-9

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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- Baptisms of Jack Somers and baby James Somers

A special service will take place in church at 3.30pm on Sunday 19th September followed by afternoon tea in the church hall.

The timing of the service is to ensure there is enough room for family members to attend.

If you would like to support Jack, Natalie and James there will be room for some of our church family to attend.

To attend the service, please email Jack at

jack123atkinson@outlook.com so that numbers can be managed.

We pray God's blessing on Jack and Natalie and James as they make this step of faith. We give thanks God directed them to our church.



You are invited to the annual

AGM & CELEBRATION SHOWCASE EVENT

Hear about the work & future plans
Celebrate and praise God with us
Refreshments afterwards

Sunday 26th September
4pm

St Mary's Church, High Street, Haverhill



info@haverhill.yfc.co.uk or 07375 240766 for info

- Circuit/Church Council Meeting Tuesday 21st September 7.30pm

Church council members are invited to our next meeting which will be held in person in the church worship area, as this provides a bigger meeting space.

An agenda will be sent out this weekend.

We shall invite the usual reports, according to the measure of activity after our restart.

- Funeral Services

Service of thanksgiving for the life of Joan Symonds to take place in our church on Wednesday 22 September at 1.15pm.
(following cremation earlier that day)

Funeral service for Anne Walpole to take place in our church on Wednesday 29th September at 11.30am.

Service of thanksgiving for the life of Daphne Smith to take place in our church on Tuesday 12th October at 1.30pm
(following a private cremation on Monday 20th September) The time delay is because of their family commitments.

The service in church will be followed by a buffet tea in the church hall afterwards.

- Coordinator needed for Christmas Shoebox appeal

Our shoebox appeal will go ahead this autumn and Christmas.

This year our church stewards have agreed that the shoeboxes will be distributed through the charity Link To Hope.

They are a Christian charity which minister to the poor and marginalised of Eastern Europe.

You can find out more here: www.linktohope.co.uk

Kathy is stepping down from the role of shoebox appeal coordinator after many years, and we thank Kathy for her devoted service in this area.

We are looking for a new coordinator whose role will include registering with Link To Hope, receiving printed publicity material to make available to our church, promoting the appeal in church and arranging delivery of the filled shoeboxes to our nearest Link to Hope representative in Sudbury. (Help can be arranged with this delivery)

If you feel this is something you would like to do, please get in touch with me.

Details will then follow on what can and can't be included in the shoeboxes.

Please note that Link to Hope do Family and Elderly shoeboxes, as they believe that everyone deserves a present at Christmas, so the range of items needed will be greater than children's items. If you would like your shoebox to support Samaritan's Purse, then they will need to be handed in to one of their drop off points.

We know our shoebox appeal will make a big difference to many this Christmas. They are given with love and received with gratitude.

Thank you in advance for your support.

Peter Goodhall

- Harvest Festival celebration

You are invited to join us for our all-age Harvest Festival service on Sunday 3rd October at 10.30am.

Your harvest gifts of dry goods for the Haverhill Foodbank will be gratefully received.

If you would like to make a financial harvest gift to REACH Community Projects, these will also be gratefully received.

A bring and share Harvest Lunch will follow. Please add your name to the list in the church entrance

- Complete Foodbank Shopping List for Harvest gifts

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| ○ Chocolates & treats | ○ Rice pudding |
| ○ Cereal | ○ Squash |
| ○ Coffee | ○ Sugar |
| ○ Custard | ○ Sponge Puddings (non-refrigerated) |
| ○ Deodorant (men's & women's) | ○ Shampoo |
| ○ Fruit juice (Long life) | ○ Tea bags |
| ○ Instant mashed potato | ○ Tinned fish |
| ○ Jam | ○ Tinned fruit |
| ○ Milk (UHT) | ○ Tinned meat |
| ○ Noodles | ○ Tinned potatoes |
| ○ Pasta | ○ Tinned soup |
| ○ Pasta sauce | ○ Tinned tomatoes |
| ○ Rice | ○ Tinned vegetables |



- HARVEST LUNCH

Our harvest lunch will take place on 3rd October and will be in the form of a bring and share meal.

If you are planning to come, there is a list in the foyer to book and write down what you are planning to bring.

Looking forward to a great celebration of Harvest time
David Rinaldi

- Church Coffee Duty Rota

It has been so great to be able to meet for coffee and a chat again after the service on Sunday.

I have prepared a rota to cover the next four months and we are very grateful to everyone who takes a turn in making this fellowship possible. However, we would love to invite others to be a part, you would be teamed alongside someone who has a bit of experience so don't worry if you've never done anything like this in the past.

The current rota is attached, there is one spare date at the moment, but the more offers we receive the less frequent it comes around for everyone.

If you can help then please speak to me in Church or email me at: davidandjoyce@live.com.

Many thanks,
Joyce

CHURCH COFFEE DUTY ROTA

5 th September	Janet and Mick
11 th September	Pat and Ray
19 th September	Joyce and David
26 th September	Sandra and John
3 rd October	Harvest Lunch
10 th October	Anthea
17 th October	Keith/Stefan
24 th October	Angela
31 st October	
7 th November	Janet and Mick
14 th November	Pat and Ray
21 st November	Joyce and David
28 th November	Sandra and John
5 th December	Anthea
12 th December	Keith/Stefan
19 th December	Joyce/David

- Lantern

"The Lantern Cafe are seeking some new volunteers. This is our monthly meeting for adults with learning disabilities who come to experience what it means to be part of the Christian life. In essence they come for an hour of activities, guided chats and home-made cake. It's enormous fun for us all!

We are looking for people to join a team, who are there to join in with everything. If you think you might be able to help, why not come along one evening to get an idea? If you have any questions please do speak to Peter, Sarah or myself, thank you.

Cham

Lay Pioneer

- Young at Heart

We have started an afternoon social group in the church hall. This group is open to anyone who would like to come along. There are things to do, craft, table games, knitting, or just sitting down and enjoying a chat. Open Wednesdays, 1.00 – 3.00pm in the Hall, just pop in and out as you wish. Tea/Coffee and biscuits will be available for a suggested donation of £1. We hope this group could be something that everyone could come along to and just enjoy a few hours together, especially after the year we have all had. If anyone has any games or crafts they would like to bring along, that would be good. Further information from Janet or Mick.

Thanks

Janet

- House groups

Our house group will recommence on Tuesday 28th September 7.30pm at 4 Ganwick Close.

We are all looking forward to meeting again.

Blessings,

Angela Proctor

Please would other leaders let me know details of when, where and who to contact as each group restarts so I can include them in Connect.

Thanks

Kathy

- Bryan & Jenny's new address

Our regards to our Christian Friends in Haverhill Methodist Church. We are getting settled in and enjoying our new surroundings, very friendly neighbours and visits from our family. Enjoying the garden and getting it tidy and making it ours. Every blessing to you all, Brian and Jenny.



- Dates to remember:

September		
17 th	9-12pm	Town Pastors on patrol – please pray for them
18 th	All Day	Synod – please pray for all the business to be God-centred
Sun 19 th	10.30am	Preacher: Peter Flowers: Mrs G Bowers
	3.30pm	Baptism of Jack & baby James Somers
	6.30pm	Come & Sing
		Deadline for next issue of Faithtime
20 th	8-8.45pm	Faithful Workout- contact Sonja: sonjathiessen1@gmail.com
21 st	11am-12	Tuesday Prayer in the Lounge (or in your own home)
	7.30pm	Church & Circuit Council
22 nd	1-3pm	Young at Heart in the church hall – for everyone!
	1.15pm	Thanksgiving service for the life of Joan Symonds
24 th	9pm-12	Town Pastors on patrol – please pray for them
Sun 26 th	10.30am	Preacher: Peter Flowers: Mr & Mrs D Payne
	4pm	YFC AGM & Showcase @ St Mary's
	6.30pm	Come & Sing
27 th	8-8.45pm	Faithful Workout
28 th	11am-12	Tuesday Prayer in the Lounge (or in your own home)
29 th	11.30am	Funeral of Anne walpole
	1-3pm	Young at Heart in the church hall – for everyone!
October		
1 st	9-12pm	Town Pastors on patrol – please pray for them
Sun 3 rd	10.30am	Preacher: Peter – Harvest Festival & Lunch
	6.30pm	Come & Sing
		Deadline for next issue of Faithtime
4 th	8-8.45pm	Faithful Workout
5 th	11am - 12	Tuesday Prayer in the Lounge (or in your own home)
6 th	1-3pm	Young at Heart in the church hall – for everyone!
8 th	9-12pm	Town Pastors on patrol – please pray for them
Sun 10 th	10.30am	Preacher: Cham
	6.30pm	Come & Sing
11 th	8-8.45pm	Faithful Workout
12 th	11am-12	Tuesday Prayer in the Lounge (or in your own home)
	1.30pm	Thanksgiving service for the life of Daphne Smith
13 th	1-3pm	Young at Heart in the church hall – for everyone!
15 th	9-12pm	Town Pastors on patrol – please pray for them
Sun 17 th	10.30am	Preacher: Peter
	6.30pm	Come & Sing
		Deadline for next issue of Faithtime

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