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Come, let us bow down in worship, let us kneel before the LORD our Maker; for he is our God and we are the people of his pasture, the flock under his care.

Psalm 95:6-7

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/>

- Funeral Services

The funeral service for Andy Letcher will take place in our church on Monday 1st November at 11.30am.

The time delay is because of family commitments.

- Your Church Needs You!

Dear All,

From the 7th of November 2021 onwards, we are looking for volunteers to go on a rota for welcoming our congregation and visitors on Sundays.

This duty would be at our main church entrance from 10am to 10.40 am. We need two people each week.

One to take the names for 'Track and Trace' and another person to give out any appropriate leaflets and to guide people, especially newcomers to a seat, especially if the church is quite full.

Our wish is for everyone to be greeted by a smile and a warm friendly welcome.

We have a few volunteers. However, for the rota to work effectively, we require more volunteers.

If you can help, could you please contact Janet Etheridge at janet_etheridge1@btinternet.com or 07799 494447.

Many thanks
God Bless you,

Jacqueline Stewart
Senior Steward

- Church Seating

The remaining chairs have been placed back in the worship area. Consequently, the current distance between rows of seating is reduced, but it makes for greater capacity going forward. We hope you will continue to feel comfortable and safe in church.

Windows will continue to need to be kept slightly open for ventilation in autumn, so when the weather becomes colder you may wish to wear warm clothing in church.

Face-coverings will continue to be worn for congregational singing at present.

- Christmas Shoebox Appeal – Link to Hope

Information leaflets are available in the church foyer. There are careful instructions to follow about what to include and what not to. Link to Hope do Family and Elderly shoeboxes, so the range of items needed will be greater than children's items.

Once filled, you then seal and wrap your shoebox and it is not checked nor have its contents changed later.

There is also a large plastic box at the back of the church where anyone may contribute a few items to be made up into boxes later.

Our shoeboxes need to be filled and finished by Sunday 31st October at the latest please. Please bring your shoeboxes to church on any Sunday in October where they will be stored safely until the 31st when we will bless the boxes and pray for their recipients before they go on their way.

Thank you in advance for your support.

Please speak to Gill Wadeson for more information.

- Help needed

1. A volunteer from Open Mind is keen to join us on Sunday mornings but I need help to make this happen. She is paralysed from the waist down and will need the use of a wheelchair on our premises, does anyone have one they no longer need? Please can you contact Jacqueline Stewart or myself if you can help. This lady will also need some support during the service, very specifically she needs a little assistance if she needs to use the bathroom. So I am appealing to the ladies in our congregation who are familiar with simple personal care and vitally have a DBS check in place. I really hope that between us we can facilitate this lady's inclusion. Thank you very much.
2. "Most of our congregation know of Ann Goodchild, who has been attending Sunday services regularly for several years. Until now we have been able to support her with just Sarah Glasswell and myself but it's getting very difficult as we both have additional commitments that mean that sometimes we have no one who can support Ann. Her carer Denise has helped out but she attends another church and quite understandably she needs to go there. We are looking for new helpers to occasionally support Ann during the service. Please do put your hand up if you can help! "

Many thanks

Cham – Lay Pioneer

- 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

- Light Party



**You are invited to Sunday Club's
Light Party**

Sunday 31st October,

4.30-6.00pm

Haverhill Methodist Church Hall

Bring your own picnic tea

Games – Treasure hunt – Treats –
Glowsticks – Music – Fun!

A LIGHT alternative to Hallowe'en

Wear your brightest clothes!

**Under 5s must be accompanied by an
adult**

RSVP: hcmessychurch@gmail.com

- Dates to remember:

October		
15 th	10pm-2am	Town Pastors on patrol – please pray for them
Sun 17 th	10.30am	Preacher: Peter Flowers: Mrs V Titmarsh
	6.30pm	Come & Sing
		Deadline for next issue of Faithtime
18 th	8-8.45pm	Faithful Workout-contact Sonja: sonjathiessen1@gmail.com
19 th	11am-12	Tuesday Prayer in the Lounge (or in your own home)
20 th	1-3pm	Young at Heart in the church hall – for everyone!
22 nd	10pm-2am	Town Pastors on patrol – please pray for them
Sun 24 th	10.30am	Preacher: Vivien Sargeant Flowers: Wednesday Fellowship
	6.30pm	Come & Sing
25 th	8-8.45pm	Faithful Workout
26 th	11am-12	Tuesday Prayer in the Lounge (or in your own home)
27 th	1-3pm	Young at Heart in the church hall – for everyone!
29 th	10pm-2am	Town Pastors on patrol – please pray for them
Sun 31 st	10.30am	Preacher: Ian Levett Flowers: Vacant
	6.30pm	Come & Sing
		Deadline for next issue of Faithtime
November		
1 st	11.30am	Funeral service for Andy Letcher
	8-8.45pm	Faithful Workout
2 nd	11am-12	Tuesday Prayer in the Lounge (or in your own home)
3 rd	1-3pm	Young at Heart in the church hall – for everyone!
5 th	10pm-2am	Town Pastors on patrol – please pray for them
Sun 7 th	10.30am	Preacher: Peter –All Age worship Flowers: Mrs J Stewart
	6.30pm	Come & Sing
8 th	8-8.45pm	Faithful Workout
9 th	11am-12	Tuesday Prayer in the Lounge (or in your own home)
10 th	1-3pm	Young at Heart in the church hall – for everyone!
12 th	10pm-2am	Town Pastors on patrol – please pray for them
Sun 14 th	10.30am	Preacher: Peter-Holy Communion & Remembrance Flowers: Mr L Jacobs
	6.30pm	Come & Sing
		Deadline for next issue of Faithtime

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