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I love the LORD, for he heard my voice; he heard my cry for mercy. Because he turned his ear to me, I will call on him as long as I live.

Psalm 116:1-2

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](#).

- Sound system issues

We are aware that some are finding it difficult to hear what is being said during Sunday services.

Hearing aid users

There is no hearing aid loop this week. Please continue to use your hearing aid as usual without changing to the loop setting. New equipment has been ordered and will be installed as soon as available. Thank you for your patience

- Big Christmas Card

Today is your last chance to write a message in The 'Big Christmas Card'. It will be available **in the Hall** during coffee. Donations from the money saved by not sending individual cards will be given to the REACH Winter Crisis fund.

- Readers & Intercessors

Over the next week or so I will be putting together the new rotas for people to read scriptures and to prepare/lead the intercessions for Sunday services.

If you would like to make either of these part of your service in our church, please get in touch. The more people we have, the less often you will be called upon!

Kathy

- Haverhill Prayer Walk Project

A reminder that the project will launch at the Salvation Army on Sunday 9th January at 1.30pm when the prayer walkers will be commissioned and sent out.

If you would like to be involved you can contact Bill at bill.reynolds@rolcc.org.uk

- Church Membership

If you would be interested in exploring Church Membership, please speak to our minister Peter and he would be pleased to have a conversation with you.

- Requirements on Face Coverings

It is now a legal requirement to wear a face covering in a place of worship and ancillary buildings (i.e. in church, in the church hall and church premises).

We shall continue to wear face coverings when singing, except for those leading the singing or leading worship.

Face coverings are not required in Next Door as it is a cafe, but customers and staff may still choose to wear a face covering when not eating or drinking.

Exemptions apply - for example children under 11, people who cannot put on, wear or remove a face covering because of a physical or mental illness or impairment, or disability, people for whom putting on, wearing or removing a face covering will cause severe distress.

Full details can be found on the Methodist Church website on the link below

<https://www.methodist.org.uk/for-churches/property/coronavirus-guidance-for-property/>

- Prayer Diary for January

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

January 2022

2nd Bring 'n' Share Lunch
20th Church/Circuit Meeting

Extra Prayer Topics

Peter, Jo and family - Pray for Peter as he continues to lead us through this time of considerable change and uncertainty. Pray he will be guided by the Lord to bring us hope and to deepen our faith Give thanks for the support he receives from Jo and ask the Lord to bless them as a family.

Church & Circuit Steward & Local Preachers Pray for those who support Peter 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. Pray for the need for an extra Circuit Steward.

Volunteers needed – There are many areas of church life where volunteers are needed:-

Next Door – to assist in café

Lantern – helpers needed

Sunday Club – more leaders needed

Illuminate – Illuminate has new members. Ages range from 11-18 years. More leaders needed so that this group can be split into smaller age groups. Also God's guidance is needed to know how to meet the needs of the 16+ group.

Coffee rota – to assist making coffee after morning worship

Town Pastors – More pastors and prayers are still required.

Open mind- Give thanks for those who have offered to be helpers. Open Mind meets each Wednesday from 10am -12noon

Reach – Volunteers needed to assist in various aspects of this work. Give thanks for recent funding promised. Pray the staff will not be overwhelmed as the workload increases and that the right staff will be found to fill new posts.

Please pray for the right people to come forward to fill each of these positions.

Revival - 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.

- Dates to remember:

31 st	10pm-2am	Town Pastors on patrol – please pray for them
January		
2 nd	10.30am	All Age Worship followed by Bring & Share lunch
4 th	11am-12	Tuesday Prayer in the Lounge (or in your own home)
5 th	10am-12	Open Mind in the Church Hall
7 th	10pm-2am	Town Pastors on patrol – please pray for them
9 th	10.30am	Preacher: Peter Covenant Service with Holy Communion
11 th	11am-12	Tuesday Prayer in the Lounge (or in your own home)
12 th	10am-12	Open Mind in the Church Hall
	1-3pm	Young at Heart in the church hall – for everyone!
14 th	10pm-2am	Town Pastors on patrol – please pray for them
16 th	10.30am	Preacher: Charmaine Slade
18 th	11am-12	Tuesday Prayer in the Lounge (or in your own home)
19 th	10am-12	Open Mind in the Church Hall
	1-3pm	Young at Heart in the church hall – for everyone!
21 st	10pm-2am	Town Pastors on patrol – please pray for them
22 nd	5.30-8pm	Church New Year Party in hall
23 rd	10.30am	Preacher: Peter
25 th	11am-12	Tuesday Prayer in the Lounge (or in your own home)
26 th	10am-12	Open Mind in the Church Hall
	1-3pm	Young at Heart in the church hall – for everyone!
28 th	10pm-2am	Town Pastors on patrol – please pray for them
30 th	10.30am	Preacher: Peter

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