ST JAMES' METHODIST & UNITED REFORMED CHURCH **WOOLTON L25 7RJ**

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Peter's day off is Friday - messages and emails left on Fridays will not be received by him until Saturday.



Weekly Notices 13th - 20th October 2024

This Week's Collect:

Lord, in your goodness, open our eyes to your light, and so fill our hearts with your glory that we may always acknowledge Jesus as Saviour, and hold fast to his word in sincerity and truth. We make our prayer through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

This week's Worship:

Sunday 13th October 10.30am - Harvest and all age Parade service

This week's readings:

Joel 2 v21-27 Galatians 5 v22-26

Forthcoming services at St James':

Sunday 20th October 11.00am - United worship at Hope Chapel (No service at St James')

Sunday 27th October 10.30am - Rev Peter Hughes, Holy Communion

Forthcoming events:

Monday 14th October 7.30pm - Steward/Elders meeting

Thursday 17th October 9.30 - 11.30am - Morning Coffee

Monday 21st October 2.30pm - Worship Consultation

Monday 21st October 7.30pm – Pastoral Committee

Wednesday 23rd October 7.15pm – Wednesday fellowship meeting

WORSHIPPING BY PHONE:

IF YOU CANNOT COME TO WORSHIP AT ST JAMES IN PERSON WHY NOT LISTEN IN

The dial in instructions are as follows:

Between 2.20pm for 2.30pm on Sunday:

1. From your normal "landline" telephone: Dial: 0333-016-0300

2. You will then be asked for your Room number:

Enter 86 10 75 55 followed by the # key

Then when asked, enter the PIN: 2544 followed by the # key You will then be directly entered into the pre-service "worship chat".

Please say your name so people know you have joined.

This Sunday the host is Graham Martin, the speaker is Rev Dave Goodwin, reading by Liz Hudson: Mark 10 vs17-31, prayers: Pam Alexander.

Everyone is invited to, and very welcome at, this time of worship and fellowship.

Prayers

We keep in our prayers all those who are poorly, their family and friends and those caring for others. We also pray for everyone in our Church family and those known to us who are in need of our prayers this week.

Benevolent Fund

The Steward Elders would like nominations of charities for the 2025 Benevolent Fund Communion Collections. If you wish to nominate a charity can you please ensure that you provide full contact details so we can ensure the money reaches them. Please hand your nominations to any of the Steward Elders or place a note in the Suggestion Box at the back of church. Pam Alexander

Harvest 2024

Our Harvest Festival Service is an All Age (Parade) service on **Sunday 13th October** at 10.30am. This year we invite you to donate non-perishable items (tins and packets) which will be donated to Centre 56 and the Whitechapel Centre and financial gifts which will be sent to "All We Can" - the Methodist Relief and Development charity. Their Harvest Appeal this year is towards the work of All We Can's partner in Liberia, SHIFSD (Self-Help Initiative for Sustainable Development, pronounced 'shift'). All We Can envelopes will be available in the next few weeks.

Message from Melanie

It seems a while since we were with you all at St James, & yet, in other ways such a short time.. We've moved into our new home, but are still looking for things in boxes!

We just wanted to take the opportunity to thank you for the welcome & fellowship we've enjoyed during our time with you all. Also, the lovely farewell, the many kind messages & gifts we received on our departure. We shall greatly miss you but do hope to be returning to visit in the not too distant future. With every good wish, & Gods' blessings on the great community that is St James, & with love, Roger & Melanie Phillips

THE WINTER FAIR on Saturday 23rd November.

Santa will be making an early visit. There will be morning coffee and lunches and exciting stalls to find your Christmas Gifts with Raffles and some surprises.

Help on the day and for preparation before is needed. If you can help, in anyway on the day please contact Wendy on 07867795179.

We are asking you green fingered folk to help us stock the plant stall. Would you please consider putting some plants, seedlings, cuttings into pretty pots and bringing them along on Friday 22nd from 2.00 until 8.00 we will be delighted. Please watch this space for other help needed!! Thank you. **Date in Diaries now please.**

Praying for the Growth of our Church

Leading your church into growth - a prayer.

God of mission, who alone brings growth to your church, send your Holy Spirit to give vision to our planning, wisdom to our actions, joy to our worship, and power to our witness. Help our church to grow in numbers, in spiritual commitment to you, and in service to our local community, through lesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Church Flowers

If you would like to donate money for flowers on a particular Sunday - perhaps in memory of a loved one or in celebration of a happy event - please speak to Jonquil Dickson who can add you to the calendar for the months ahead. Also, if you would simply like to donate for flowers so that we can make sure all Sundays are covered, please speak to Jonquil. At present, we have many dates available. We have a box at the back of church for any donations or small change. All donations are gratefully received.