

**ST JAMES' METHODIST & UNITED REFORMED CHURCH
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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 20th – 27th October 2024

This Week's Collect:

Lord Jesus Christ, you have taught us that what we do for the least of our brothers and sisters, we do also for you. Give us the will to be the servants of others as you were the servant of all; for you gave up your life and died for us, but live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

This week's Worship:

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

Forthcoming services at St James':

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

Sunday 3rd November 10.30am - Rachel Bray, Baptism

Sunday 10th November 10.30am - Ceri Gardener, Remembrance Sunday

Forthcoming events:

Monday 21st October 2.30pm – Worship Consultation

Monday 21st October 7.30pm – Pastoral Committee

Wednesday 23rd October 7.15pm – Wednesday fellowship meeting

Thursday 24th October 9.30am – 11.30am – Morning Coffee

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 Liz Hudson, reading by Carol Skyner: Job 38 vs: 1-7 and 31-36, prayers: Dave Dickson.

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.

Saturday Coffee

The Saturday Coffee morning on 12th October raised £139.60.

Vintage and Collectables Roadshow:

On Tuesday 29th October from 11.00 am until 3.30 pm in our church hall. No fees. No commissions. They pay cash for your items.

Benevolent Fund

The benevolent fund collection at our communion service on 27 October will be for the Marie Curie charity.

Marie Curie provides expert hospice care and supports patients to be comfortable, free of pain and other symptoms, and able to live the best life they can to the end. It also supports a patient's loved ones in person or over the phone and pushes for a better end of life for all by campaigning and sharing research to change the system. Marie Curie provides free information and support about dying, death and bereavement, from first questions after a terminal diagnosis, or information about accessing services, to experiences shared by carers, guidance on planning for death, and support for grief. The nurses, healthcare assistants and other healthcare professionals bring the nursing, clinical and emotional help patients need and also to the people close to them – from reassurance and practical information to letting them take a break. And companion volunteers offer free emotional and practical companionship for people at or approaching the end of life, and those close to them.

As friends will know, we have enjoyed a close and friendly relationship with the Liverpool Centre of Marie Curie (based in Speke Road, only a few yards from the Church) for many years, and we shall pass the proceeds of our collection into the Liverpool Centre.

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

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.

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 Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

HARVEST FESTIVAL GIFTS 2024

On Sunday 13th October, we celebrated our Harvest service. It was an exciting service and beautifully decorated by Jonquil and Dave. Your gifts of tinned and packet foods were very generous, and Centre 56 and The Whitechapel Centre were delighted and very grateful for these donations.

The Harvest Lunch was attended by 42 folk who enjoyed time together over some food and a cuppa. Thank you to Melanie and Roger for their donation towards our 'puddings'. £120 was raised. Thank you to everyone who helped and of course to those attending.

Special thanks to Jonquil for her beautiful floral decorations in church and for bringing in Mr. Scarecrow and friend! Thanks also to Dave for the miles of bunting he fixes outside for these special occasions and for his building of sets for Jonquil to make beautiful. We are very grateful to everyone who brought the worship together for our service of Thanksgiving.

It was lovely to welcome Boys Brigade members and Rainbows and Brownies to our service.



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Anything you wish to be included in the weekly notices, please email by Thursday evening:
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