

ST JAMES' METHODIST & UNITED REFORMED CHURCH
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Friday is Peter's day off and if possible people should not contact him on that day.



SUNDAY MARCH 25th 2018

Welcome to everyone in Church this morning.

A lift is available for access into church, and there is a ramp at the rear of the building. We have large print hymnbooks; other items are available in large print or braille on request. There is a loop system for people with hearing aids. **If you need any help, please ask a steward.**

If you are worshipping with us for the first time, St James' offers you a very warm welcome and we hope you'll come again.

We would like to keep in touch with you to let you know what's going on at St James', so please fill in your details on the '**NEW TO CHURCH**' slip.

We are a Gift Aid Church. If you are a taxpayer, and not using the envelope system, please complete a Gift Aid envelope with your offering.

Offertory card - If you make your offering by monthly standing order, please take an offertory card from the table at the back of the church to place on the offertory plate each week to represent your gift.

DIARY DATES:	29 March	Maundy Thursday service at 7 pm
	30 March	Good Friday worship at 11 am
	4 April	Mission Action Group at 7.30 pm
	9 April	Property & Finance Committee, 7.30 pm

The church is open for coffee on Tuesday mornings from 9.30 to 12.30

CHURCH DIRECTORY

Most people have now completed the necessary form.

Please remember: if you do not fill in a form with your details it will not be possible to include your name.

Forms are on the table in church. Additions to our list are always welcome.

SERVING	TODAY	NEXT SUNDAY APRIL 1st
	Palm Sunday: Communion	Easter Day
Minister	Rev. Peter Hughes	Derek Long
Welcome	Dickson family	Bates family
Steward (V)	Pauline Taylor	Pat Fagan
(W)	Jayne McLaren	Stuart Williams
(B)	Carol Skyner	Carol Skyner
Readings	Margaret Peterson & Peter Barlow	Wendy Doig & Graham Martin
Prayers	Graham Martin	Dave Dickson
Offertory count	Mike Hughes & Margaret Peacop	Lynne & Roy Barker
Tea/coffee	Helen & Steve Miller	Irene Elliott & Pat Fagan
PowerPoint	Liz Hudson	Lynne Barker
Music	Derek Long	Peter Bounds
Flowers	Pam Draper	Sheila Thwaite
Delivered by	Jonquil Dickson	Jennifer Long
This evening	Harmony Café	no service
Tuesday Coffee	Jane Allen & friend	Wendy Doig & Eileen Curphey

DATA PROTECTION

There will be a meeting for Data Protection Training on Wednesday 28th March at Garston Park Church, 7.30 to 9 pm. Please book via the district office: admin@liverpoolmethodist.org.uk as soon as possible.

THE GUILD

March	28	Ruth Christie
April	4	Soup & Sandwiches, and Easter Communion

NEW WEEKLY OFFERING ENVELOPES

Are now available in church. If you pay tax, please remember how much more valuable your offering can become if you Gift Aid it. Margaret Dee (428 3356) will be happy to advise you, and to provide envelopes if you wish to join the offering system.

THIS MORNING'S BIBLE READINGS

Psalm 118: 1 -2 & 19 - 29

Philippians 2: 5 - 11

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER WORSHIP

Harmony Café

today, 6 pm onwards

Rota: Pam Bellis (V), Amy Bates (W), Lynne Barker (PP)

Maundy Thursday

7 pm Communion, Rev. Peter Hughes

Rota: Pat Fagan (V), Stuart Williams (W), Lynne Barker (PP), Margaret Dee (Communion), Derek Long (music), Pam Draper & Gwladys Gardner (tea/coffee)

Good Friday

11 am, Liz Hudson

Rota: Carol Skyner (V), Margaret Dee (W), Lynne Barker (PP), Kathryn Norton (music)
12 noon joint worship at the Cross

Easter Day

6.30 am Circuit worship at Holt's Field

8.30 am Communion, Rev. Peter Hughes

Rota: Ian Taylor (V), Margaret Dee & Pat Fagan (W), Liz Hudson (B), Dave Dickson & Hilary Hopkin (Readings), Long family (Intercessions), Lynne Barker (PP), Sue Moister (Communion), Peter Bounds (music)

10.30 am Sunday Worship, Derek Long (rota as above)

FLOWERS FOR EASTER

Please see Jonquil if you would like to contribute towards the flowers in church on Easter Day. Help would also be appreciated in distributing the flowers after the service.

And: don't forget on Easter Day to bring some flowers to decorate the Cross.

BENEVOLENT FUND

The collection at Communion today will be for Womankind Worldwide.

MEDITATION ON BBC RADIO 4

Good Friday after Grenfell: 3 pm to 3.30 pm.

Rev Mike Long reflects on the importance of Lament.

Notting Hill Methodist church stands at the centre of a devastated and grieving community. Mike Long's meditation for Good Friday focuses on the role of public lament. He explores the Jewish traditions of lament, including the cry of dereliction from the Psalms that Jesus called out on the cross. He talks to Jackie Blanchflower, a pastor and former chair of the Residents' Association, about the community's response to the tragedy, and to Jill Baker, Vice President of the Methodist conference, for whom lament and laughter has become a way of life since the sudden death of her son.

FELLOWSHIP GROUP

Monday 26th at 30 Stuart Avenue, 2 pm.

JOBS AT ST PETER'S

Our colleagues up the road are seeking to employ a Hub Co-ordinator, a Parish Administrator, and a Youth Worker. For more information please contact

www.liverpool.anglican.org/Hub-Co-ordinator---St-Peter-Woolton

www.liverpool.anglican.org/Parish-Administrator---St-Peter-Woolton

www.liverpool.anglican.org/Youth-Worker---St-Peter-Woolton

HOPE IN CRISIS

On 21st April, St James is hosting a Sharing Hope In Crisis seminar as part of exploring the possibility of being a Lighthouse church. Whatever we decide as a church, this seminar will equip us as a church and as individuals in how we might respond to a crisis in our community. There is a deeper explanation on the notice sheet some of you will have had (some still on the table at the back of church). Please sign up on the sheet at the back of church; we need names for catering purposes.

SPECIAL PROJECTS GROUP

will next meet on Monday 16th April at 6.30 in the church hall to discuss and plan future fund raising events. Anyone who would like to join us will be very welcome.

REVISION OF CHURCH DIRECTORY

Are there any changes to be made to the list of members of committees in the directory? Please check and inform Jennifer Long.

The Collect for the Sixth Sunday in Lent (Second Sunday of the Passion or Palm Sunday)

Eternal God, in your tender love towards the human race you sent your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ to take our flesh and to suffer death upon a cross. Grant that we may follow the example of his great humility, and share in the glory of his resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

God of all-redeeming grace, in your great love you gave your only Son to die for the sins of the whole world. Help us by your Holy Spirit to worship you with reverence, and to enter with joy into the celebration of those mighty acts whereby you bring us life and immortality; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Notices for next week: please send to derek.long2@tesco.net or 722 1014 by 9 pm on Wednesday.