

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, JANUARY 28th

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.

SOME DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Today is our Church Anniversary and Covenant Service

1 Feb Church Council at **7.30 pm: see notice below**
22 Feb Circuit Meeting at Garston Park
19 March Pastoral Visitors' meeting

BENEVOLENT FUND COLLECTION

The collection at our Covenant Service today will be in aid of Young People's Mental Health.

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

MAY ALLEN

With great sadness we have to record that May died on January 19th.

SERVING	TODAY	NEXT SUNDAY FEB 4th
	Church Anniversary/Covenant Sunday	
Minister	Rev. Peter Hughes	Graham Martin
Welcome	Bates family	Cook family
Steward (V)	Pat Fagan	Stuart Williams
(W)	Pauline Taylor	Jayne McLaren
(B)	Ian Taylor	Steve Elliott
Readings	Amy & George Bates	Philippa & Jack Fielden
Prayers	Laverty family	Dave Dickson
Offertory count	Mike Hughes & Margaret Peacop	Peter Barlow & Ray Jennings
Tea/coffee	Jonquil & Dave Dickson	Helen & Steve Miller
PowerPoint	Dorothy Peers	Dorothy Peers
Music	Kathryn Norton	Derek Long
Flowers	Margaret Dee	Doreen Banks
Delivered by	Wendy Doig	Pauline Taylor
This evening	no service	no service
Tuesday Coffee	Jane Allen & friend	Wendy Doig & Eileen Curphey
Saturday Coffee Feb 10	Men's coffee morning	

SAFEGUARDING TRAINING:

for those who have completed the Foundation Module within the last 5 years.
Thursday 1st February at St Mary's Church, Halewood, at 6.30 pm for a 7 pm start, ending at 9.30 pm. If you need to take part, please contact Lee Phillips, the Circuit Office Manager, on 0151 345 4324, Tuesday – Thursday 12:00 - 16:00.

THE GUILD

Will resume its activities in March with Soup and Sandwiches at 1.30 on Wednesday the 7th. New members will be very warmly welcomed! You are invited to join the fellowship and support our speakers week by week.

OPEN INVITATION TO CHURCH COUNCIL ON FEB. 1st:

The first item on the agenda of this meeting will be the proposed refurbishment of the church hall. Steve Skyner (Chair of the Church's Property and Finance Committee) will be explaining the potential scope of the work and aspects of the finance. There will be an opportunity to discuss the proposals, ask questions, etc, and everyone associated with church life at St James' is warmly invited to come along and participate in the discussion which marks another, very significant point in our mission and witness. Please do not feel you have to wait for a personal invitation to the meeting.... just turn up at 7.30pm and join in.

THIS MORNING'S BIBLE READINGS

Jeremiah 31: 31 – 34

Romans 12: 1 – 2

John 15: 1 – 10

DOES MY CHURCH DO PERSONAL INFORMATION SAFELY?

In May 2018 new regulations come into force about how we handle data — both on computers and in paper records. This one and a half hour session to be held at the Wirral Methodist Centre, Thingwall, CH61 7XZ will introduce the essential changes in the regulations and give an overview of what is needed to comply with the new requirements, including some hints and tips. All are welcome to attend, but **Church/Circuit Staff, Church Stewards and Leadership Teams, Church Council Secretaries, Safeguarding Officers, Pastoral Secretaries are particularly invited.**

Tuesday 6th February @ 7:30pm—9pm

Saturday 24th February @ 10:00am—11:30am

Please let us know that you are coming:

Tel: 0151 648 9846 or Email: wirralcircuitmanager@gmail.com

OLDER PERSONS' COMMUNITY WORKER

Christ Church Community Centre is looking for a **people person with creative flair and insight!** Somebody who will:-

- Build positive relationships with older people in the community
- Be creative in developing the project to combat isolation and improve wellbeing amongst older people
- Work closely with colleagues to recruit, inspire, train and support a team of volunteers
- Develop and extend the existing work with older people
- Encourage community engagement and strengthen partnerships across the community of Liverpool 11

This part time post is for 25 hours per week and for a fixed term of 3 years.

Outreach in the community is an essential part of the role.

Closing date for applications: 5pm Monday 5th February 2018 (Interviews: 19th February)

Salary: NJC scale 4 points 18-20 £18,070 – 19,430 pro rata

To request an application pack contact Helen Edwards – preferably by email:- helenedwards@ymail.com

Triple C (Liverpool), 4 Christ Church Close, Norris Green, Liverpool L11 3EN

VOTING AT TESCO

Three groups in every Tesco region have been shortlisted to receive a cash award of between £1,000 and £4,000 and shoppers are being invited to head along to Tesco stores in the Liverpool region to vote for who they think should take away the top grant. Voting is open in all Tesco stores throughout January and February. Customers will cast their vote using a token given to them at the check-out in store each time they shop.

ACTION FOR CHILDREN IN LIVERPOOL asks for your votes for

Liverpool Junior Mentoring Service.

Please help us to get as many votes as we can by circulating this information to anyone you know.

The Collects for the Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Lord, you have taught us that all our doings without love are worth nothing. Send your Holy Spirit, and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love, the true bond of peace and of all virtues; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Church Anniversary

Almighty God, to whose glory we celebrate the anniversary of this church: we thank you for the fellowship of those who have worshipped here, and we pray that all who seek you here may find you, and, being filled with the Holy Spirit, may become a living temple, a dwelling place for your life-giving presence in the world. We ask it through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

AND FINALLY

As printing of this sheet at the URC Synod office comes to an end, it is time to give our thanks to Lynne, who has organised, printed, and when necessary corrected our weekly sheet from the beginning. This is the kind of constant dedicated service that makes the church work; we are blessed in the number of people who serve us in so many ways.

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