

**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 OCTOBER 15th

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 require any assistance, 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.

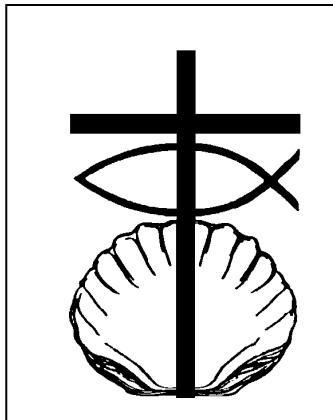
DIARY DATES

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| October | 30th Monday | Light Night Party, Trinity Church Mission Action Group at 7.30 pm at 88 Vale Road - all welcome |
| November | 13 th Monday | Special Projects Group at 6.30 pm |
| | 18 th Saturday | Christmas Fair |
| | 19 th Sunday | |
| | 26 th Sunday | Circuit Service at Hope University |
| December | 2 nd Saturday | concert in aid of Oakleaf Bereavement and Loss Support Service |

The church is open for coffee every Tuesday morning from 9.30 to 12.30

****HARMONY CAFÉ***

The next Harmony Café will be on **November 19th**.



COMMUNION AT THE HUB

15th November and 6th December 11.30 coffee, cake, and communion; 361 Aigburth Road – all welcome.

| SERVING | TODAY | NEXT SUNDAY October 22nd |
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| Minister | Rev. Dr Kathy White | Rev. Dr Rosalind Selby |
| Welcome | Cook family | Alan Smith |
| Steward (V) | Pat Fagan | Stuart Williams |
| (W) | Pauline Taylor | Jayne McLaren |
| (B) | Carol Skyner | Liz Hudson |
| Readings | Jane Laverty & Hilary Hopkin | Roy & Lynne Barker |
| Prayers | Pam Draper | Ray Jennings |
| Offertory count | Peter Barlow & Ray Jennings | Margaret Peacop & Jane Williams |
| Tea/coffee | Jane & Hannah Williams | Jonquil & Dave Dickson |
| PowerPoint | Liz Hudson | Lyne Barker |
| Music | Derek Long | Kathryn Norton |
| Flowers provider | Judy Barlow | Pam Bellis |
| Delivered by | Wendy Doig | Pauline Taylor |
| This evening | no service | no service |
| Cleaning | Margaret Dee & Kay Whittaker | Pauline Taylor & Frances Hall |
| Tuesday Coffee | Wendy Doig & Eileen Curphey | Pauline Taylor |

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

If you would like a copy of the annual daily bible readings "Fresh From The Word 2018" (price £9.95) issued by International Bible Reading Association, please order from Richard Thwaite. This year, the IBRA have also issued a sample Three Month's Bible Readings, A Celebration Edition for £1. Order from Richard any time in October for both copies.

FOURTH DIMENSION TRUST

On Thursday 19th October at 7pm in St Gabriel's Huyton, Ellis Ashton St L36 9AT, The Fourth Dimension Trust, the Huyton Churches' Charity Shop (aka The Church Shop) invites you to 'Celebrate Care' as it presents its £10,000 profits for 2016-17 to charities local and international. We would be delighted if you could come and share the evening and refreshments with us.

UPRIGHT PIANO

We have an upright piano available to anyone who may want to give it a happy home. Please see Wendy Doig or Steve Skyner.

CHRISTMAS FAIR:

The date will be here in just SIX weeks! Please will you all put the date in your diary. We are always looking for volunteers to help. Please start saving items for stalls – Cakes, books in good condition. Toys, games, jigsaws in good condition and boxes complete please. Toiletries, stationery, plants. Handbags and Gladrags and any items for a ‘Loved but no longer wanted Item’. Morning coffee and lunches will be served. Santa will be paying us a visit too. Any offers of help or for collection of items please contact Wendy on 0151 428 7180 or 0786 7795179.

ANNUAL WEEKEND AWAY: LLANDUNO 2017

Continuing the report: the theme for the weekend was “A Time for New Beginnings”.

The success of the time together was due to the friendly loving involvement by everyone and by those who took any part in the organisation and participation. Special thanks and appreciation to Steve and Carol who ensured that all the hotel and travel arrangements were excellent, to Steve for maintaining continuity of the programme, to Roy, Lynne, and Peter for their music contribution, to Pam for arranging the Saturday night entertainment, and to all who took part in any way. We remembered and prayed for all the friends who for whatever reason were unable to be present with us.

Finally, if you haven’t been to this St James’ annual highlight, why not spend a most happy experience at next year’s weekend away? For your 2018 diaries, the date is Friday 28th to Sunday 30th September. Ron Swindells

Women’s Guild Programme

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| October 18 th | Gillian McDonald: Talking about Feet |
| 25 th | Rev. Peter Hughes |
| November 1 st | Soup & Sandwiches, 1.30 pm |
| 15 th | Steve Skyner |

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Flat-pack boxes are available on the pew at the back of church along with “how to pack a shoebox” leaflets. Bring your filled shoeboxes back for Sunday 19th November; we will be dedicating them during this service. We are also being a shoebox drop off point, so if you are on Tuesday coffee in November be aware that people may call in to leave their shoeboxes.

ONE HUNDRED YEARS OF BROKEN PROMISES

Saturday 21st October 2017 10am - 4.15pm (arrive from 9.30am)

This free conference in the heart of Liverpool will explore the history and lasting legacy of Britain's role in Palestine / Israel since the Balfour Declaration of 1917. It will be for all those who would like to know more about Britain's role, both in its promised support for a national home for Jews on land belonging to the Palestinian people, and in how we arrived at the current tragic situation. Everyone is welcome.

Venue: Quaker Meeting House School Lane, L1 3BT (Tel: 0151 709 5957)

There will be a bookstall courtesy of News from Nowhere and other stalls.

Coffee, tea, biscuits and lunch provided for which donations will be welcome.

Please book free tickets at Eventbrite.

BENEVOLENT FUND COLLECTIONS

November: Royal British Legion

Christmas: Christian Aid.

The Collects for the Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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.

God of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things, graft in our hearts the love of your name, increase in us true religion, nourish in us all goodness and of your great mercy keep us in the same; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PLEASE REMEMBER

Volunteers are always welcome for

- Reading lessons in church
- Leading intercessions
- Working in the gardens
- Providing flowers for Sunday worship

Talk to any of the Stewards.

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