

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

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

SUNDAY May 20th 2018



Welcome to everyone in Church this morning. 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.

Refreshments are always provided after Worship – please join us.

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.

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.**

This Morning's Preacher is Matthew Dyer

This Morning's Service is a service of the Word

Our Welcomers are Jayne McLaren and the Bates family

The Vestry Steward is Amy Bates

Our Readers are Amy & George Bates

All ages are welcome in worship. Children usually leave with their leaders after the second hymn for their own activities in the Church Hall over the road. On the second Sunday of the month they remain in Church. When it is a Communion Service they return and are welcome to receive the Bread and Wine along with their parents.

THE COLLECT FOR PENTECOST

Almighty God, who on the day of Pentecost sent your Holy Spirit on the disciples with the wind from heaven and with tongues of flame, filling them with joy and boldness to preach the gospel: send us out in the power of the same Spirit to witness to your truth and to draw everyone to the fire of your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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

The Church is registered for Gift Aid 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

Today	Two Cathedrals Walk of Witness, 3 pm Harmony Café, 6 for 6.30 pm
27 May, Sunday	Induction of Steward Elders during morning worship
28 May, Monday	Family Fun Day at Trinity, 12 – 4 pm – see below
4 June, Monday	Church Council at 7.30 pm
6 June, Wednesday	Property and Finance meeting 7.30.
9 June, Saturday	“Spirituality for Change” at Maghull- see below Dan Holmes in concert*
11 June, Monday	Special Projects Group meeting at 6.30.

****DAN HOLMES***

Christian singer/songwriter and recording artist, **Dan Holmes**, will be coming to St. James’ Church to entertain us in concert on ***Saturday 9th June at 7.00 pm.*** Dan Holmes is an acoustic guitar player who brings a gentle Christian message to his music. He sings about the events and experiences that happen along life's way. Dan has a gift for reaching and moving people with his down-to-earth Christian message and his unique blend of musical styles.

Tickets: £6 adults, £1 children (includes refreshments) from Lynne Barker or Alan Smith 0151 421 1218. Please join us for this very special event.

CIRCUIT NEWS: SUPERINTENDENT MINISTER

An invitation to the Circuit has been accepted by the **Rev. Paul Wilson**, subject to ratification by the Advisory Committee. We look forward to welcoming Paul and Karen to the Circuit in September. They are at present living in St Helens.

The Rev. Caroline Ainger has been appointed as Free Church chaplain in a multi-faith team to two hospitals in Manchester. She will work there on Thursdays and Fridays and two Sundays in the month, while continuing to serve this Circuit until September. Please pray for Caroline and her family in this new phase of her ministry.

CHURCH DIRECTORY 2018

Please see Jennifer if you have not received one yet. A few large print copies are available.

THE GUILD

May 23rd: Annual General Meeting

CHURCH WEEKEND

The forms for this Year's Church Weekend are now available and can be found on the table at the Back of the church. Any completed forms can be handed to Irene Elliott while I am away. Thank you. Carol Skyner.

ST MARY'S CHURCH LISTENING PROJECT

Over the next few weeks St Mary's RC Church in Woolton are involved in a listening project. They want to discover what people think about their Church and its importance in Woolton. If you would be willing to spend a few minutes speaking to someone from St Mary's, please contact Richard Benson. His phone number is 0151 428 3289.

SPIRITUALITY FOR CHANGE

This event in Maghull is open to all, but you must book (for lunch!) by June 1st.

Several workshops including -:

Art *Grandparenting* *Prayer* *Illness and Pain* *Worship*

Full details can be found on the leaflet in church.

DEMENTIA AWARENESS WEEK

You may be aware that Dementia Awareness Week this year runs from 21-27 May. In our ongoing efforts to become a Dementia Friendly Parish and to mark Dementia Awareness Week, St Mary's will be hosting an afternoon tea and sing-along on Friday 25 May 2:00pm-4:00pm, and would be delighted to welcome friends from St Peter's and St James' and make it a real community event. This event is open to all and especially to those living with dementia and their carers. If you would like to join us please let Ann know at St Mary's parish office (0151-428-2256).

FAMILY FUN DAY AT TRINITY

Trinity Church, Page Moss welcome the community and the circuit to a Family Fun Day on bank holiday Monday 28th May, 12-4 pm. It is set to be a brilliant day with an inflatable assault course, pony rides, bbq and lots of family games and competitions. We would love to see you there.

We are in need of some extra volunteers to help man a stall on the day. And also on the look-out for tombola prizes. If you are able to volunteer for a few hours, or have any small unwanted gifts for the tombola please get in touch! All money is to go towards the children's work at Trinity.

FROM IAN TAYLOR

Pauline and I want to say thank you to everyone at St James' for your warm friendship and love over the past 5 years. We know that two years ago your prayers carried us through a difficult time, something we will not forget. It has been a difficult decision to leave St James', but we are looking forward to finding a new church near to our new home in Ilkeston, not forgetting helping out with our grandson. We were really touched by you love last Sunday morning. We want to thank you for your kind words and generous gift. Today will be our last service and harmony café; we will miss you all. It has been our privilege to serve the Lord alongside you.

Yours in Christ - Ian and Pauline

BENEVOLENT FUND

Next Sunday's collection is for Y Kids, a charity supporting children and their families across Merseyside.

GB CELEBRATIONS

All members and leaders of 18th Liverpool Girls' Brigade would like to thank all who supported the celebration day on Saturday and service on Sunday to celebrate 125 years of Girls' Brigade. It was great to see past, present and future members, to share memories and how GB has made an impact on them, and some funny pictures too. We raised £200 towards a defibrillator for our Church buildings. Thank you for all your support.

Amy Bates (Captain)

FULWOOD COURT METHODIST HOME

The Annual General Meeting will be held at Garston Park on June 12 at 2.15 pm: poster and leaflets are available at the back of the church.

NEXT SUNDAY MAY 27th Trinity Sunday: Holy Communion: Induction of			
			Steward Elders
Minister	Rev. Peter Hughes	Tea/coffee	Irene Elliott & Pat Fagan
Welcome	Alan Smith	Communion Steward	Sue Moister
Steward (V)	Stuart Williams	PowerPoint	Dorothy Peers
(W)	Pam Bellis	Music	Kathryn Norton
(B)	Jayne McLaren	Flowers	Carol Skyner
Readings	Matthew & Joseph Dyer	Delivered by	Carol Skyner
Prayers	Laverty family	Tuesday Coffee	Wendy Doig & Eileen
Offertory count	Peter Barlow & Ray Jennings		Curphey

*Notices for next week: please send to dandjlong765@gmail.com or 722 1014 by 9 pm on Wednesday. **PLEASE NOTE that during June the notices will be edited by Jayne McLaren, and all notifications should go to her - jayniemac@hotmail.co.uk***