

ST JAMES' METHODIST & UNITED REFORMED CHURCH
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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 September 23rd 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 Andrew Holroyd

This Morning's Worship is the service of the Word.

Our Welcomers are Tony Laverty & Cook family

The Vestry Steward is Graham Martin

The Book Stewards are Stuart Williams and Liz Hudson

Our Readers are Dave Dickson and Hilary Hopkin

The Readings are Jeremiah 11: 18 – 20 James 3: 13 - James 4: 3 and 7 – 8a

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 an offering by standing order, please take a card from the table at the back of the church to place on the plate to represent your gift.

The Collect for the Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Merciful God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as pass our understanding. Pour into our **hearts** such love towards you that we, loving you above all things, may obtain your **promises**, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

INTERCESSIONS BOOK

People are welcome to write prayer concerns in the book in the Church vestibule. These will normally be mentioned in the Prayers of Intercession during the Morning Service.

- If your concern is for a neighbour or other friend not likely to be known to the congregation, it would be helpful to add a few words to indicate who, or why.
- If the person is normally in church, **please check** that you have their permission: some people prefer not to be mentioned in this way.

DATES TO NOTICE:

CIRCUIT MEETING

September 24th at St James' at 7.30 p.m.

St James' Church council meeting September 25th at 7.30 p.m.

WOMENS' GUILD

September 26th Dave Harrison – Bee keeping. Men welcome.

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY 2018

As part of Remembrance for this year we are looking to create a display - but, and this is where volunteers come in, we are looking for help in making red and white poppies of any material, e.g. wool, plastic, paper, wood, anything at all. The poignant number of poppies we're aiming to use is **1918**.

We have crotchet and knitting patterns available or you can use your own template. So please help and get making..... If you would like any more information please speak to Margaret Peterson or a Steward Elder.

100 DAYS OF PEACE AND HOPE

These daily reflections and prayers lead up to Remembrance Day, and are available online. You can have them sent to you each day, or if you prefer you can download the whole programme at www.remembrance100.co.uk/100-days

NEXT SUNDAY September 30th

CHURCH WEEKEND

Minister Graham Martin

Welcome Miller family

Steward (V) Liz Hudson

(W) Dorothy Peers

(B) Richard Thwaite

Readings Sue Moister

Prayers Long family

Offertory count Ray Jennings and Mike Hughes

Tea/coffee

PowerPoint Dorothy Peers

Music Derek Long

Flowers Diane Jennings

Delivered by Carol Skyner

Tuesday Coffee Pat Fagan & Wendy Doig

MONDAY HOUSE GROUP

This group meets at Pam Draper's house, 30 Stuart Avenue will meet during the Autumn on the following dates - Mondays at 2pm:

15th October

19th November

3rd December

Anyone is welcome to join us and each session is "stand alone" so you don't need to come to each one

WORSHIP CONSULTATION GROUP

Thursday 4th October 7.45pm in Church. ALL are invited to attend this meeting. It is an open meeting which anyone can attend. We will be sharing in two activities:

1. Planning the Sunday Service for 21st October - this is a Worship Team Service led by Rev Peter and we need the participation of as many people as possible in planning and taking part in the Service.
2. Looking ahead at future services - including Christmas and New Year and discussing how we can develop our worship to meet the needs and use the talents of all

Please come along!

HANDLE WITH CARE

We keep our links with St Columba's and exchange our weekly notices. Some weeks ago our message was accompanied with terrible warnings – “this email may be very dangerous - do not open it – it could seriously harm your computer” – and so on. What harm could our news sheet do?

Well, it contains the Gospel, and the Gospel is dangerous. It threatens to pull down the mighty, to leave the rich hungry and to feed and exalt the poor. The Church is a subversive body; it promises to change our world in ways that make Brexit look insignificant. Handle this paper with care! Perhaps Google was right.

BENEVOLENT COLLECTION

Last week, we collected £70.9. Thank you to all those who donated. God bless.

PRAYER HANDBOOK

The Methodist Prayer Handbook 2018/19 - 'A World Transformed' - is now available, and helps us to pray with and for the world-wide family of God. It contains a section of general prayers at the beginning, as well as specific prayers, a psalm, bible reading, and hymn for each day, making it a compact resource for personal and group devotions.

Pam Draper is placing an order for copies of the prayer handbook now at a cost of £4.00 each. Please let her know as soon as possible if you would like a copy.

FILM NIGHT

Friday night is film night – on Friday 19th October. Special Projects Group have planned A Sing Along Sound of Music. Many thanks to Kate and Jamie for preparing this special evening of entertainment. Admission will be by ticket donation only and you will receive a 'Props' Goodie Bag – Doors open 6.15 for performance start at 6.45. There will be a special Tuck Shop with popcorn, sweets and soft drinks. There will be an intermission of 10 minutes and the film should finish at approximately 9.40. You are invited to come dressed to impress and there will be a prize for the most obscure fancy dress!!

Please get your tickets in good time from Wendy on 07867795179 or 428 7180. Sunday mornings or at coffee morning any Tuesday.

POPPIES

Following today's service, everyone is welcome to join us in making our 'Poppy' display for this year's Remembrance Service. Refreshments will be provided.



40th BIRTHDAY WISHES



We would like to wish our son ROBERT SKYNER, a very Happy 40th birthday for tomorrow. Lots of love from Mum and Dad and all the family.

XOXOXOXOXOXOXO

Notices for next week: please send to Jayne McLaren at jayniemac@hotmail.co.uk