

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

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MINISTER: Rev. Alan Crump

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Friday is Alan's day off and if possible people should not contact him on that day. If there are any emergencies on a Friday, please contact one of the Stewards.

SUNDAY JULY 9th

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.

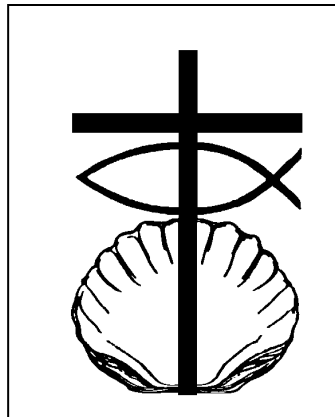
Offertory card - If you make your offering by monthly standing order, please take an offertory card from the table at the back of the church to place on the offertory plate each week to represent your gift.

DIARY DATES

July	15 th Saturday	Food Event: also Garden Party at Fulwood Court
	16 th Sunday	Harmony Café
	19 th Wednesday	Farewell service for Alan Fretwell: Princes Park 7 pm.
August	20 th Sunday	Farewell service for Alan and Shelley, St James' 6 pm.

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

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



SERVING	TODAY	NEXT SUNDAY July 16th
Minister	Liz Hudson	Rev. Alan Crump
Welcome	Alan Smith	Miller family
Steward (V)	Carol Skyner	Jayne McLaren
(W)	Pam Alexander	Pat Fagan & Pauline Taylor
(B)	Stuart Williams	Ian Taylor
Readings	Pam Bellis & Faye McLaren	Ray Jennings & Sue Moister
Prayers	Long family	Graham Martin
Offertory count	Jane Williams & Margaret Peacop	Ray Jennings & Mike Hughes
Tea/coffee	Jonquil & Dave Dickson	Helen & Steve Miller
PowerPoint	Liz Hudson & Dorothy Peers	Dorothy Peers
Music	Derek Long	Kathryn Norton
Flowers provider		Doreen Banks
Delivered by	Wendy Doig	Kathryn Norton
This evening	No service	Harmony Café*
Cleaning	Margaret Dee	Sheila Thwaite, Doreen Parker & Doreen Banks
Tuesday Coffee	Pat Fagan & Alan Smith	Jane Allen & friend
		*Pam Alexander (V) Pam Bellis (W) Lynne Barker (PP)

CIRCUIT MEETING

At the special meeting last Monday, it was announced that St James' had been given the status of Mission Centre, as we had asked.

Childwall Valley Church has voted to become a Mission Community. This will involve selling the buildings, and the church will now seek permission to do so.

GROWING OUR PRAYER LIFE

In a step to grow our prayer life as a church, a closed group is being built using Whatsapp. If you would like to be included, please send your mobile number to Ian@taylorsemail.me.uk. If you need to know more speak to **Ian Taylor**.

REMINDERS

Volunteers are needed to help in the church gardens **and especially** to join the rota to provide flowers in church:

IN THE NEXT SIX WEEKS THERE IS ONLY ONE NAME ON THE ROTAS to bring flowers – please consider whether you can help our worship in this way.

Ryan Miller will do your odd jobs: ring Helen on 07944 999224.

Contributions for the work of training and supporting our young people are welcomed: e-mail **Andy Dunsmore** at Dunsmores@btinternet.com or ring 07986515780.

FULWOOD COURT GARDEN PARTY

At the Methodist Home, 529 Aigburth Road, on July 15th from 2.15 to 4.30. Tickets at £2 include tea and cakes (children go free), and are available now from Jennifer Long.

EVENTS FOR YOUNG PEOPLE THIS SUMMER

- **Halewood Parish Holiday Club:** at St Mary's, Leathers Lane, July 24th to 28th, from 10 to 3.
- **The Y Event:** an evening of games, fellowship, and food for ages 10 to 16, Friday July 21st, from 6.30 to 8.

For both these events, please contact Natasia at

halewoodchurchcw@gmail.com or on 07867 489463.

BECOMING A DEMENTIA FRIENDLY PARISH

On Monday 17 July 6:30pm-8:00pm St Mary's RC Church will be hosting a Dementia Information Session in the parish hall. A team from LACE will lead the session, providing information and expertise on how we can become a Dementia Friendly Parish. In brief, Dementia is caused by diseases of the brain which can affect memory, everyday tasks, communication and perception. It is not a result of the normal ageing process. There are over 800,000 people living with dementia in the UK and this figure is set to rise. Churches and faith-based organisations have an important role to play in ensuring people living with dementia can continue to live their lives and be an active part of their communities for as long as possible. Many of our parishioners will develop dementia or be caring for someone who does. By being more dementia friendly, we can help and support them to continue practicing their faith. Please do come along on 17 July so that we can raise our awareness and work together in becoming a '**Dementia Friendly Parish**'. Members of all churches, and any body concerned, - all are welcome to attend.

A MESSAGE FROM ALAN

I am delighted to say that after preaching with a view, I have accepted a 100% call to the Pastorate of Knaresborough and Bilton Grange Harrogate, subject to the concurrence of the Yorkshire Synod.

As previously agreed, my final service will be held at St James' on Sunday 20th August at 6pm. I will move across the Pennines sometime in the following two weeks, and my induction will be at the Bilton Grange Church on Saturday 16th September.

SHOW IN A WEEK

This year's show in a week will be '**Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat**' and will run from the **14th August – 19th August**. Tickets are now on sale for the Friday and Saturday night's performances from Jayne McLaren.

ELLOWSHIP GROUPS IN JULY

Monday 10th July at the Manse, 2pm

Tuesday 11th July at 89 Kings Drive, 8pm

Thursday 13th July at St Columba's, 2pm

Wednesday 19 July, at Sue Moister's, 19 The Firs. New Hawthorne Gardens, L18 8FE

At the July fellowship groups we will be starting a series of bible studies on 2 Peter. The first study is called "the finish line".

WOMEN'S GUILD

As a mid-holiday get-together, members are invited to the home and hopefully the garden of **Pam Draper**, 30 Stuart Avenue on Wednesday 8 August from 2 pm. Bring a friend!

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Servant Lord, grant us both the opportunity and the will to serve you day by day. May all that we do and how we bear each other's burdens be our offering of love and service to the glory of your name. Amen.

Boundless, O God, is your saving power; your harvest reaches to the ends of the earth. Set our hearts on fire for your kingdom and put on our lips the good news of peace. Grant us perseverance as heralds of your Gospel and joy as disciples of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. Amen.

FOOTBALL MATCH

On 9th July, around 12pm the Youth Forum will be organising a family football match in the park opposite the church. It will be under 18's v over 18's. All ages are welcome. The match is always good fun to play and watch, with lots of laughs. The youth forum look forward to seeing you there. There will be a sign-up sheet at the back of church for anyone interested. (George Best and Roy of the Rovers have already signed up, but more practical support will be welcomed).

BARGAIN CORNER!

Free to a good home! (donation to Church funds would be gratefully received)
An Eavestaff mini piano. Contact Alan or Shelley Crump 0151 428 2298.

THANK YOU

.to all who supported Amanda Henderson's concert; the total banked is £2262.
This will be shared equally between Liverpool Street Pastors and our Hall Refurbishment Project.

Please remember too all the smaller funds:

- **The Church Bucket** has collected £66 since January this year. The bucket is a happy place to pop the small change you find at the bottom of your pocket or bag and fairly painless to part with!
- **Saturday Coffee Mornings** have raised just over £700 since January. Remember to pop in on the second Saturday of every month for coffee and there are always lovely cakes!
- **Soup & Sandwiches** has raised over £200 since January. Soup and Sandwiches is held on the first Wednesday of most months - check your diary dates - the soup is delicious and homemade.

We are grateful to all those who help and support - please continue to do so.

FOOD EVENT

If anyone would like a table on the **15th July**, to do a food based stall making, selling and tasting food items; such as preserves, cakes, bread or anything else you can think of, can you let us know as soon as possible. We need a good selection to make this new event work. Thanks **Jonquil and Dave**. Contact us on **0151 486 4041** or at **thedicksons1@sky.com**

A FINAL THOUGHT

From Richard Holloway, former bishop of Edinburgh:

“Christianity is not a way of explaining the world:
it is a way of disturbing the world.”