

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 August 5th 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 the Rev. Alan Kirkcaldy

This Morning's Worship includes a service of Holy Baptism

Our Welcomers are Pat Fagan and Alan Smith

The Vestry Steward is Amy Bates

The Book Steward is Stuart Williams

Our Readers are Margaret Peterson and Chris Hickey

The Readings are Ephesians 4 1-8 and John 6 24-35

.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 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.

The Collect for the Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Lord and giver of life, you alone nourish and sustain your people, through Christ, the bread of life. Feed our hunger and quench our thirst, that we may no longer work for what fails to satisfy, but do what you require, in obedience and faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

WELCOME

We welcome today the Rev. Alan Kirkcaldy, a retired URC minister, and his granddaughter Molly Gransden, who comes to be baptised by him. We greet them and all the family on this happy occasion.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

FRIDAY 10TH AUGUST

An Evening of Organ Music introduced and played by the Rev. Peter Hughes. **From Bach to The Beatles** – A Spiritual Journey at the organ. Starting at 7.30 p.m. Tickets / Entrance £5. Tickets available in advance from the Church after Sunday services, or ring **07867795179**, or pay on the door. Refreshments available at the end of the concert. Proceeds will be divided equally between Christian Aid and St. James' Church Redevelopment Fund.

SATURDAY 11TH AUGUST

The regular Coffee Morning will be held **in the church**.

SUNDAY 12TH AUGUST

6 pm: Bible Reading: We have moved on from reading St. Mark's gospel to the more complete St. Luke's gospel. Interval and refreshments provided.

SHOW IN A WEEK

This year's **Show in a Week** will take place from Monday August 20th to Saturday 25th. This year we will be rehearsing and performing Aladdin Jr. The tickets will go on sale soon.

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 1ST

Welcome service for the Rev. Paul Wilson at Trinity Page Moss, 6 pm.

GRACE LEIVESLEY

The service to celebrate Grace's life and witness will be held in the church at 11.45 am tomorrow, Monday August 6th, following cremation at 11 am at Springwood.

JMA BOXES

Would all JMA box holders please pass in their JMA box to Pam Bellis to be emptied before the end of the financial year. Thank you everyone for your continued support

FELLOWSHIP GROUP MEETING

The Wednesday Group will meet this week (August 8th) at Steve and Irene Elliotts', 84 Woollacombe Road.

CHURCH WEEKEND IN LLANDUDNO

This is a weekend full of fun, worship and sharing together, situated on the beautiful promenade (Chatsworth Hotel). The forms for this Year's Church Weekend (**28th – 30th September**) are now available and can be found on the table at the back of the church. Coach available to ensure a more relaxing weekend. Carol Skyner is now away on holiday, so any completed forms or monies can be handed to Irene Elliott.

JIMMY

St James' horse, in the church garden by the ramp, is having a major overhaul which is causing a lot of interest from passers-by. All the succulents and compost are being systematically removed, the plants are then being re-bedded in new compost and new succulents added. 350 new plants have already been planted, which were kindly donated by Woolton in Bloom, but if you go and have a look many 100's more are required to bring Jimmy back to his full glory. If you would like to know more, or make a donation towards the purchase of more plants, please speak with Roy or Lynne Barker. Don't forget, you are welcome to use the church garden, perhaps to eat lunch or simply to sit and reflect.

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 poppies 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.

REQUEST

for a children's safety stair gate: If anyone has one of these and they no longer have use for it, a lady from one of our Refuge homes would be very grateful to have it donated. Please see Wendy Doig or ring her on 07867795179.

HALL REFURBISHMENT

the hall is now unavailable during working hours. However if there is a need to use the office for photocopying etc. please carefully enter the building and use only the office area, after 5.00. p.m.

The builders will vacate the building from Saturday 18th August to allow for Show in a Week. If you need to enter the building whilst the children are in preparing for the show please ring the bell and wait for someone to answer. Do **not** enter with your key. **This is a Safeguarding requirement.**

The building firm will take over again from Monday 27th August until Friday 1st September.

The coffee morning on August 11th will therefore be held in the church.

NEXT SUNDAY August 12th: All Age Worship

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| Minister | Rev. Peter Hughes | Tea/coffee | Jonquil & Dave Dickson |
| Welcome | Bates family | PowerPoint | Dorothy Peers |
| Steward (V) | Amy Bates | Music | Derek Long |
| (W) | Jayne McLaren | Flowers | |
| (B) | Pam Bellis | Delivered by | Pam Draper |
| Readings | Pam Bellis & Pam Draper | | |
| Prayers | Chris Bennett | Tuesday Coffee | Jane Allen & Norma |
| Offertory count | Glenys Evans & Margaret Peterson | | |

FINALLY

Today is the feast day of St Oswald, king of Northumbria, and former missionary from Iona, who died in battle in 642 AD (at Oswestry) praying for the souls of those who fell with him. His relics were credited with many miracles of healing, and he was widely revered across Europe, particularly by shepherds.

Notices for next week: please send to

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