

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

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



**Weekly Notices 21<sup>st</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup> June 2026**

**This Week's Collect:**

Creator God, in the beginning your word subdued the chaos and in the fullness of time you sent Jesus, your Son, to rebuke the forces of evil and to make all things new. By that same power transform our fear into faith that we may have courage to follow in the way of your kingdom; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

**This week's Worship:**

**Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> June 10.30am** – Rev Peter Hughes (Bible month 3) Holy Communion

**This week's readings:**

Matthew 19: 16 - 30

Philippians chapter 3

**Forthcoming services at St James':**

**Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> June 10.30am** - Andrew Gillespie (Bible month 4)

**Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> July 10.30am** – Paul Holt

**Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> July 10.30am** – Rev Peter Hughes, Holy Communion, All age worship

**Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> July 10.30am** – Rev John Lansley

**Forthcoming events:**

**Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> June 7.30pm** – Pastoral Meeting

**Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> June 9.30am – 11.30am:** Morning Coffee

**WORSHIPPING BY PHONE:**

**Apologies, due to unusual circumstances the telephone worship congregation will not gather this Sunday afternoon but will reconvene next week (June 28th) as usual.**

**Praying for the Growth of our Church**

*Lord Jesus,*

*We are sorry that at times we feel like giving up.*

*Open our eyes to the signs of hope which we often miss.*

*Thank you for new lives born into our families and born again into your kingdom.*

*Thank you for the growth we experience in our worship and fellowship.*

*Open our minds to those with whom we could share our faith this week.*

*In the name of Jesus, Amen*

### **Ron Swindells**

The funeral of Ron Swindells will take place on **Monday 22nd June** with the committal at Springwood Crematorium at 10:00am, for family and close friends only, followed by a Church service to celebrate Ron's life at St James Church, Woolton (L25 7RJ) at 10:45am

Afterwards, will be at The Hayloft, Allerton Manor Golf Club (L18 3JT) following the service which we would love those who knew dad or have a story to tell to join Ron's family and friends for refreshments and a catch up.

### **Benevolent Fund**

The Benevolent Fund collection at the communion service on **21 June** is for MHA (Methodist Homes for the Aged).

For more than 80 years, people have trusted MHA to meet their needs and aspirations in later life. They've been finding assurance and creating friendships through its care homes, retirement living properties and community groups, and enjoying the warmth, comfort and spirituality that's so central to living later life well.

Whatever their needs or aspirations, with MHA people find support for every part of their later life journey. Maintaining an active and independent lifestyle? Seeking new friendships? Searching for care that's made for their needs? MHA is here to help with all of these things and more.

MHA exists for one reason - to help older people to live later life well, with dignity, independence and connection. Its approach is always person-centred and relationship-focused – about getting to know each person, understanding what matters to them, and providing care and support that truly reflects their needs, preferences and personality. Alongside the efforts of its amazing teams, it's the kindness, donations, fundraising and volunteering of people like you that helps MHA to continually accelerate its positive impact on the lives of others.

### **Walk for UNICEF**

Jane Lavery, friends and work colleagues are walking 30 miles, from Woolton to Southport Pier on **July 13th**. To walk the 30 miles is challenging, if anyone would like to join for all or part of the walk, they are more than welcome.

All money raised will be for UNICEF, who support children in crisis all over the world. There will be a sponsor form in Church and Just Giving page if anyone would like to donate. [https://www.justgiving.com/page/jane-lavery-4?utm\\_medium=FR&utm\\_source=EM](https://www.justgiving.com/page/jane-lavery-4?utm_medium=FR&utm_source=EM)

Thanks, Jane

### **Church Flowers**

If you would like to donate money for flowers on a particular Sunday - perhaps in memory of a loved one or in celebration of a happy event - please speak to Jonquil Dickson who can add you to the calendar for the months ahead. Also, if you would simply like to donate for flowers so that we can make sure all Sundays are covered, please speak to Jonquil. At present, we have many dates available. We have a box at the back of church for any donations or small change. All donations are gratefully received.

### **Saturday coffee morning**

on the 8th August will be held in the church hall.

Coffee, light lunches strawberry scones and cream, home made cakes.

Raffle 10.00 until 1.30


### **Prayers**

Please keep in our prayers this week all those who are in poor health, either in hospital or at home, and their family and friends and those caring for others.

We also pray for everyone in our Church family who are unable to attend church.

Please pray for those known to us who are in need of our prayers this week.

## Prayers for Pride Month



Loving God,  
we thank you for the richness of  
Diversity which you have created.

As we go through the month of June  
when the LGBTQ+ community  
celebrate Pride, we ask of you:

Teach us the real meaning of 'All are  
welcome' where all are fully and  
richly included in every aspect of our  
Christian lives ...

### Next weeks' notice sheet

You can download all notices [from our website](#).

Anything you wish to be included in the weekly notices, please email by Thursday evening to:

[St.James.notices@gmail.com](mailto:St.James.notices@gmail.com)