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 19th - 26th October 2025

This Week's Collect:

Lord Jesus Christ, you have taught us that what we do for the least of our brothers and sisters, we do also for you. Give us the will to be the servants of others as you were the servant of all; for you gave up your life and died for us, but live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

This week's Worship:

19th October 11.00am: Unified Service at Hope, **No service at St James'** Liverpool Hope University Chapel, The Gateway Building, L16 8ND

Forthcoming services at St James':

Sunday 26th October 10.30am: Rev Peter Hughes, Holy Communion

Sunday 2nd November 10.30am: Rev Dr Andrew Cheatle

Sunday 9th November 10.30am: Andrew Gillespie, Remembrance Sunday & Parade

Sunday 16th November 10.30am: Paul Holt

Forthcoming events:

Tuesday 20th October 7.30pm – Church Council

Thursday 23rd October 9.30am - 11.30am - Morning Coffee

WORSHIPPING BY PHONE:

IF YOU CANNOT COME TO WORSHIP AT ST JAMES IN PERSON WHY NOT LISTEN IN

The dial in instructions are as follows:

Between 2.20pm for 2.30pm on Sunday:

1. From your normal "landline" telephone: Dial: 0333-016-0300

2. You will then be asked for your Room number:

Enter 86 10 75 55 followed by the # key

Then when asked, enter the PIN: 2544 followed by the # key

You will then be directly entered into the pre-service "worship chat".

Please say your name so people know you have joined.

This Sunday the host is Pam Bellis, Speaker: Andy Gillespie, Reading: Irene Elliott Jeremiah 31:27-34, Prayers: Liz Hudson

Everyone is invited to, and very welcome at, this time of worship and fellowship.

Christmas Fair

Our Christmas Fair will be held this year on Saturday 22nd November. Santa has been notified and has the date in his diary. So please put the date in your diaries and come along to support us.

Circuit Service at Hope Sunday 19th October 11.00am

Liverpool Hope University Chapel, The Gateway Building, L16 8ND

Theme: Celebrating our work with children and young people, Preacher: Rev Gareth Morgan The service will include the commissioning of: Mike Sutcliffe (Children's worker) and Marrissa Thorpe (Youth worker). All are welcome. For those coming to the service there is a drop off point at the entrance in Woolton Road, but no cars must be parked there. The entrance to the car park is in Irene Road, off Taggart Avenue.

Drivers are asked to obtain a free car parking permit to print and display. There is a risk the private company that now run the car park will impose a "fine" otherwise. We have to register or log in - please help those in your church who have difficulty doing this. The link for the parking permit is https://store.hope.ac.uk/product-catalogue/staff-services/guest-parking-permit-25-26

Benevolent Fund

The focus of our benevolent fund collection at the communion service on **26 October** will be the Marie Curie Charity.

Regrettably Marie Curie has had to take the decision to close its in-patient facility at the Woolton Hospice, but it continues to offer all its other services to support people of Liverpool with a terminal illness or needing end of life support or care.

The outpatient service at the hospice continues to be fully staffed and operational, and its community services providing care and psychological support for patients in the last few months of their life continue. It has a free Support Line which operates seven days a week.

Last year, working alongside local NHS partners, it introduced new services to provide end of life care for more people at home. The Enhanced Hospice Care at Home service (which the NHS refers to as a Virtual ward) provides specialist care to people at home from experts including nurses, doctors and other health professionals. People who would have been considered for in-patient admission are still being referred to it and assessed for their suitability for enhanced hospice care at home. This is an in-person service, not a telephone line

St James's has supported the Woolton Hospice in many ways over many years, and the need for our support continues to be as relevant as ever.

If you would like to nominate a charity to be considered for the 2026 Benevolent Fund Collections, please speak to Pam Alexander or any of the Steward Elders. Your nomination should include the contact details and a brief description of the charity.

Roy Barker & Friends Christmas Sing-a-long is on Saturday 6th December at 7.00 pm (doors open at 6.30pm).

Come and join us for some Christmas fun and lots of singing. Wear your Christmas hats and sweaters and bring your voices. Proceeds will be split between St James' Church Projects Fund and 'Include Me' CIC. 'Include Me' meet here in Woolton and provide an opportunity for people to get together and make friendships.

Get your tickets now: adults: £7.50, children: £1. Contact Roy and Lynne Barker 0151 421 1218

Next Level

Next Level is a free (Methodist-led) weekly youth club for ages 11-18 is now being held at St Mary's Methodist Church, Halewood (L26 oTX) on Mondays between 7.30-8.30 pm. It is offering events, games and skills, including 'learning to plan and lead events in your community - a great way to build your CV.' All are welcome.

MHA Fulwood Court Late Autumn Coffee Morning

529 Aigburth Road Liverpool L19 9DN (Next door to 'The Kingsman')

Saturday 15th November 10.15am – 11.45am

Entrance £2 including Tea, Coffee and light refreshments.

Tombola, Raffle and Bric-a-brac stall.

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.

Praying for the Growth of our Church

God of mission, who alone brings growth to your church, send your Holy Spirit to give vision to our planning, wisdom to our actions, joy to our worship, and power to our witness.

Help our church to grow in numbers, in spiritual commitment to you, and in service to our local community, through Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN

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.

Next weeks' notice sheet

You can download all notices <u>from our website</u>.

Anything you wish to be included in the weekly notices, please email by Thursday evening to: <u>St.James.notices@gmail.com</u>