ST JAMES' METHODIST & UNITED REFORMED CHURCH
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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 23rd – 30th November 2025

This Week's Collect:

Eternal Father, whose Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven that he might rule over all things as Lord: keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit and in the bond of peace, and bring the whole created order to worship at his feet; who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.
Amen.

This week's Worship:

Sunday 23rd November 10.30am: Rev Dr Clement Matarirano

This week's readings:

Matthew 24: 36-44

Forthcoming services at St James':

Sunday 30th November 10.30am: Rev Peter Hughes
Sunday 7th December 10.30am: Rev John Lansley
Sunday 14th December 10.30am: Rev Peter Hughes, Gift Service
Sunday 21st December 10.30am: Rev Peter Hughes, Christingle and Carol Service

Forthcoming events:

Saturday 22nd November 10.00am – 1.00pm – Christmas Fair
Monday 24th November 7.30pm – Steward Elders meeting
Wednesday 26th November 7.30pm – Finance & Property meeting
Thursday 27th November 9.30am – 11.30am – Morning Coffee
Saturday 6th December 7.00pm – Sing-along concert

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: Liz Hudson,
Reading: Colossians 1: 15-20
Prayers: Jayne McLaren

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

Bible study

Monday **24th November** at 2.30pm at Doreen Parker's house.

Happy Birthday!

On Tuesday, Ron Swindles celebrated his 97th birthday 🎂
Congratulations Ron from all your friends at St. James.
Ron shares his birthday with Mickey Mouse, how wonderful to be born on the same day!!

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. We would be grateful for **donations** of: Homemade cakes - small buns very much appreciated! Toys - in good condition and with no parts missing please. Jigsaws and games. Items for gift stall e.g.: toiletries, unwanted gifts, boxes of sweets/chocolates, items of jewellery. These can be brought to the hall on Friday 21st November from 2.00 p.m.
or for collection please contact Wendy on 07867795179. Any help is always welcome 🙂.
Speak to Wendy. Thank you.

Christmas Wish Tree

I know it's only November! I just wanted to give plenty of notice for all you organised people out there!
We will once again be having a Christmas Wish Tree in church where you can hang a card with your wishes on and you may wish to do this rather than giving out individual cards. The trees will go up at the beginning of December. Any donations given for the Christmas Wishes will go to Christian Aid. Thank you all for your support
Pam Bellis
MAG group

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

Christmas Coffee Afternoon:

On Saturday 6th December (1pm-3pm), the young people at 'Next Level Youth Club' are hosting a Christmas Coffee Afternoon at St Mary's Church, Halewood. You are warmly invited, and can expect to find hot drinks, cakes, music and Christmas cheer!

The young people, from across the circuit, have been working very hard to plan and prepare for this event during their weekly sessions in Halewood and Huyton. We have been marketing, decorating, designing and much more to get everything ready for the day.

This will be the first 'Next Level Youth' event, and the young people would be so grateful for your support and attendance to encourage them to keep going with their mission and faith.

We will be raising money through donations, to put towards our Spring Harvest trip in the spring.

If there are any children or young people in your church, who might not be able to make 'Next Level', but would still like to get involved on the day, please do contact Marrissa. We would love to hear from you.

If you are able, we would be extremely grateful for any sweet treat/cake donations for the day. But please don't worry if not.

We hope to see you there!

For any questions or donations, please contact Marrissa:
marrissa.circuityouth@outlook.com

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

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.

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.

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