

**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 25th February – 3rd March 2024

This Week's Collect:

Christ, Son of the living God, who for a season laid aside the divine glory and learned obedience through suffering: teach us in all our afflictions to raise our eyes to the place of your mercy and to find in you our peace and deliverance. We make our prayer in your name.
Amen.

This week's Worship:

Sunday 25th February 10.30am: Revd John Lansley - Communion Service

Forthcoming services at St James':

Sunday 3rd March 10.30am: Obeth Thevanesan - All Age Worship *Coffee Ste & Helen Miller

Sunday 3rd March 3.00pm: Marie Curie Service at St James'

Sunday 10th March 10.30am: Rev Peter Hughes - All Age Worship *Coffee Chris and Margaret

Forthcoming events:

Monday 26th February 2.30pm – Monday House group at Pam Draper's house.

Wednesday 28th February 7.15pm – Wednesday Fellowship group – weekly in Lent

Thursday 29th February 9.30am – 11.30am – Morning Coffee

Saturday 2nd March 7.00pm – Family Quiz night – **Postponed until later date tbc.**

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 Graham Martin, the speaker is Rev Peter Hughes,
prayers: Pam Draper, reading: Jayne McLaren**

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

Prayers

We keep in our prayers all those who are poorly, their family and friends and those caring for others.

We also pray for everyone in our Church family and those known to us who are in need of our prayers this week.

Catherine Valentine

We keep Cath Valentine's family in our prayers on her passing. The funeral will be at Springwood Crematorium, Myrtle Chapel on Wednesday 28th February 2024 at 1.45pm.

Good night and God bless Cath 🙏

Monday House group

The Monday House group will meet at Pam Draper's house on Monday 26th Feb at 2.30pm.

Church repairs

Church loft roof repairs - Work will be starting on Monday 4th March to carry out the required repairs to the church extension loft roof; it is expected that the work will take about 3 weeks to complete. While the work is taking place the church toilets will not be available and will be screened off to secure the work site. For the Sundays **10th, 17th and 24th of March**, if you need to use the toilets, either before or during the church service, a steward will be available to take you across the road to use the toilets in the church hall. Church roof repairs - we are still awaiting to hear when the repairs to the missing ridge tiles and slates will start. This work will require scaffolding to be erected at the side of the church and until the work has been completed, the path down the side of the church will remain closed. Thank you for your support in these matters and I do hope that this will not cause too much inconvenience to everyone. Pam Bellis, Chair of Finance and Property

Benevolent Fund

The Benevolent Fund collection at the communion service on **25th February** will be for St. James Pre School and Parent and Toddler Group. This is a registered charity and not-for-profit organisation which has been providing child care and a vital community resource from our setting within St. James Church Hall for more than 50 years.

Children from the age of 2 years to 5 years old are given a pre-school education, and are cared for by a loving, devoted and passionate professionally qualified staff team. The parent and toddler group is an opportunity for parents and grandparents to interact with one another whilst playing and sharing the experience and enjoying the resources with their under 2 year olds .

The organisation is partially funded by the local education authority but unfortunately this is not sustainable or sufficient to support the St. James Pre-School. The Pre-school has always had to rely heavily on donations, fundraising events and any available grant funding to enable the continued childcare provision in our community.

The Trustees are extremely grateful that St. James Methodist/United Reformed Church and their fellowship are offering support through their Benevolent Fund Ministry.

Liverpool Dementia Information Day

14th March 2024 10.00am – 5.00pm

Liverpool Central Library

William Brown Street L3 8EW

A FREE drop-in event for:

- People living with dementia and their carers;
 - Organisations working with and for people with dementia;
 - Anyone interested in finding out more about the condition.
- Exhibition area, talks, activities, guidance and support and lots more.

For full details contact Idaa@dementiaactionliverpool.com

Messages from Kieran Bohan

FEBRUARY is LGBT+ History Month, an annual celebration of lesbian, gay, bisexual, trans & non-binary history in the UK. The aim is to be an exciting, informative and celebratory month, to educate out prejudice and make LGBT+ people, in all their rich diversity, visible. This year's theme is #UnderTheScope to celebrate LGBT+ peoples' contribution to medicine and healthcare historically and today. READ MORE: lgbtplushistorymonth.co.uk. The Methodist Church has published a prayer for LGBT+ History Month 2024, by Pam Gold, coordinator for the Methodist LGBT+ Solidarity Circle. READ MORE:

methodist.org.uk/about-us/the-methodist-church/the-inclusive-methodist-church/lgbtplus/lgbtplus-history-month-2024/a-prayer-for-lgbtplus-history-month-2024.

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.

*You can download all notices **from our website**.
Anything you wish to be included in the weekly notices,
please email by Thursday evening: **St.James.notices@gmail.com***