

**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 10th – 17th September 2023

This Week's Collect:

O God, you bear your people ever on your heart and mind. Watch over us in your protecting love, that, strengthened by your grace and led by your Spirit, we may not miss your way for us but enter into your glory, made ready for all in Christ our Lord. Amen.

This week's Worship:

Sunday 10th September 10.30am – Stephen Mitchell (**Margaret Peterson & Chris Hickey*)

This week's readings:

Luke 24:13-35

Forthcoming services at St James':

Sunday 17th September 10.30am – Revd. John Lansley

Sunday 24th September 10.30am – Revd. Peter Hughes, Holy Communion (**Jayne & Andrew McLaren*)

Forthcoming events:

Saturday 9th September – Staff food hygiene training (**No coffee morning**)

Monday 11th September 7.30pm – Steward / Elders meeting

Thursday 14th September 9.30am – 11.30am – Coffee morning

WORSHIPPING BY PHONE: IF YOU CANNOT COME TO WORSHIP AT ST JAMES IN PERSON WHY NOT LISTEN IN

to the live afternoon telephone worship at 2.30 p.m. which lasts 15-20 minutes.

Just dial 0333-006-7775 from your landline telephone between 2.20-2.30pm; then enter the "Pin" number: 08 39 09 01. The system no longer asks for – or announces – peoples' names. It tells the first person to join that they are first, but everyone else now joins silently. So please, when you are connected, please introduce yourself. You will be able to chat to everyone else who joins until the service starts. Worship includes an opening prayer, a Bible reading, the Lord's Prayer said together, a short reflection on the reading, prayers of intercession and a blessing before we share the words of The Grace.

This Sunday the host is Pam Bellis, speaker is Kieran Bohan, prayers: Paul Holt, reading: Geraldine or Peter Bounds: Matt 18 vs15-20
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.

Obeth Thevanesan

Over the next few weeks Obeth Thevanesan will be joining us at Church as part of his training as a Methodist Minister. Obeth Thevanesan is just beginning his training and will be "shadowing" me for the next year. This will mean that Obeth will often be present with me in the months ahead. I know that I can rely on you to make Obeth welcome and to support him on his journey towards ordination as a Methodist Presbyterian.

Obeth is living with his family in a Methodist Manse in Crosby provided by the Liverpool North & South Sefton Circuit which will be his base during his training. I am delighted to have Obeth alongside me during this time and I am sure that we will learn from each other.

DEMENTIA INFORMATION SESSION:

Monday 11 September 7:00pm-8:30pm (Refreshments from 6:30pm) in St Mary's Parish Hall L25 5JF. September marks World Alzheimer's Month and this session aims to raise awareness and demystify dementia. You are invited to join us for an evening of talks from the experts in the area of dementia and carer support services. Following the presentations, there will be an opportunity for one-to-one advice from NHS Mersey Care Dementia Services' staff and representatives from the Alzheimer's Society. Come along and join us to learn more about dementia from the professionals. All welcome. For more information, please follow this link:

https://www.stmaryswoolton.org.uk/images/downloads/2023/parish/11-09-2023_DEMENTIA_INFORMATION_SESSION.jpg

St James Organ Playing Day Saturday 30th September 10am - 4pm

Our Organ will be played for a whole day by: Melanie Phillips, Peter Bounds & Peter Hughes. Please pop in during the day to listen and support us as we make music and raise funds (donations requested) for St James Church projects. Refreshments will be available throughout the day. We will give a rough programme of who is playing what and when nearer the time. Our programme will include: Music written for organ from Bach and his contemporaries to the present day. Music from other sources, e.g., Orchestral and choral works, popular songs. Hymn tunes, well known and less well known, including a 'name that tune' competition! Melodies of stage and screen.

Grassendale Flower Arranging Society

You are warmly invited to attend our sessions at 7.30 pm at All Hallows Church Centre, 1 Greenhill Road, Allerton. A floral arrangement is made and then raffled off at the end of the evening. Visitors £7.00 14th September: 'Happy Days'

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.

First Aid Course

We still have a few places left on the first aid course at St. James Church on **Saturday 23rd September 2023 9.30am-12.30pm**, please let Jayne McLaren know asap if you'd like to attend. Thank you.

Notices next week:

You can download all weekly notices and newsletters **from our website.**

Anything you wish to be included in the weekly notices,

or the monthly newsletter, please email by Thursday evening: St.James.notices@gmail.com