

**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 10<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> March 2024**

**This Week's Collect:**

Lord God, whose blessed Son our Saviour gave his back to those who struck him and did not hide his face from shame: give us grace to endure the sufferings of this present time with sure confidence in the glory that shall be revealed; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

**This week's Worship:**

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

**This week's Readings:**

**Isaiah 49: 13 – 16 & Isaiah 66: 1 – 2 & 12 - 13**  
**Luke 2: 46 - 55**

**Forthcoming services at St James':**

**Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> March 10.30am:** Rev David Goodwin  
**Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> March 10.30am:** Rev Peter Hughes; Baptism

**Forthcoming events:**

**Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> March 10.00am – 12.00pm** – Coffee morning & Farmer's Market  
**Monday 11<sup>th</sup> March 7.30pm** – Steward / Elders meeting  
**Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> March 7.15pm** – Wednesday Fellowship group – weekly in Lent  
**Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March 9.30 – 11.30am** - Morning Coffee  
**Monday 18<sup>th</sup> March 2.30pm** – House group at Pam Draper's house  
**Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March 7.15pm** - Wednesday Fellowship group – weekly in Lent

**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, the speaker is Rev John Lansley,  
prayers: Kate Cook, reading: Jamie Cook Numbers 21: 4-9 and John 3:11-16**  
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.

## Monday House group

The next meeting of Monday House group at Pam Draper's will be on **Monday 18<sup>th</sup> March at 2.30pm.**

## Society of Women Organists/ Woman Composer Sunday

The Society of Women Organists (SWO) was set up around 2019. It is a large and growing community of people dedicated to achieving an equal gender balance in the organ world and to celebrate the work of women organists in all areas of music making.

In 2021 the Society of Women Organists (SWO) inaugurated Woman Composer Sunday (WCS), whereby organists and choral directors were invited to include music by a woman composer in church services, and/or post performances on social media. This annual festival was launched in collaboration with the Royal College of Organists and since 2022 the event has also been supported by the American Guild of Organists who have engaged enthusiastically with the initiative and helped it to reach a wider audience.

WCS is usually proposed for the Sunday closest to International Womens Day which this year falls on Friday March 8th.

This year the closest Sunday is **Sunday March 10th**, which as you'll be aware in 2024 is also Mothering Sunday.

I shall be playing the organ this week and all the music that you will hear played on the organ has been composed by women. Our hymns are also (nearly) all from women composers, authors or translators.

You can find out more about the Society of Women Organists and Woman Composer Sunday at [www.societyofwomenorganists.co.uk](http://www.societyofwomenorganists.co.uk)

Thank you to everyone at St James' who has shown interest and supported this initiative.

**Melanie Phillips**

## Fundraising

I am taking part in the Cancer Research UK 'Walk All Over Cancer' sponsored walk. During the month of March, I will walk a minimum of 10,000 steps a day, 310,000 in the month. If you would like to sponsor me, I will have my sponsor form in church each Sunday. Alternatively, you can donate online via my giving page on Facebook. Thank you in anticipation of your support for this very worthy cause. **Pam Alexander**

## 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](mailto:Idaa@dementiaactionliverpool.com)

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