

**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 5th – 12th November 2023

This Week's Collect:

Almighty God, you have knit together your chosen people in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord. Give us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living that we may come to those inexpressible joys which you have prepared for those who love you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

This week's Worship:

Sunday 5th November 10.30am: Paul Holt

This week's readings:

**Romans 5: 6-11,
Matthew 5: 1-12**

Forthcoming services at St James':

Sunday 12th November 10.30am: Remembrance Service, Obeth Thevanesan (**coffee in hall – Ste & Helen Miller*)

Sunday 19th November 10.30am: Revd. Peter Hughes

Forthcoming events:

Thursday 9th November 9.30am – 11.30am – Coffee morning

Saturday 11th November 10.00am – 12 noon – Coffee morning and Farmer's market

Wednesday 15th November 7.45pm - Wednesday Fellowship Group

Thursday 16th / 17th November 2.00pm – 2.00am – Church open for peace vigil

Monday 27th November 2.30pm Meeting of the Monday Fellowship Housegroup will be in the home of Pam Draper.

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 speaker is Revd. Peter Hughes,
prayers: Melanie Philips, reading: Wendy Doig: Hebrews chapter 1 verses 1 - 6.**
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.

St James Memorial Book

We are starting a memorial book to record members of St James who have died. Once all the names we have been given have been entered, the book will be placed on the table in the entrance to the church for anyone who may wish to look at it. If you have a loved one or friend who you would like included in the book would you please email pambellis@hotmail.com with their name and date of death if you know it, but that is not essential, just the name will be enough. Thank you.

Benevolent Fund

The collection for the Open Table Network came to £229.56, including gift aid.
Thank you to everyone who contributed.

Shoe box appeal

Donations for the Shoe Box Appeal is now open and closes on **12th November 2023**. 2023's shoe box appeal St. James is supporting is called 'Link to Hope'. It supports families and the Elderly in places like Romania, Moldova, Ukraine and Bulgaria. As we are so close to their closing date for this year, we are now only able to give monetary donations and they will pack them and then send direct from their warehouse. To fill the box and including the £3 postage it costs approximately £15/20 per box so all donations will be greatly received. If you wish to donate or for any more details or questions, please speak to me.

Many Thanks,
Jayne McLaren

<https://linktohope.co.uk/>

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.

Christmas Fair

Christmas Fair 18th November 10.00 until 1.00 - **ONLY TWO WEEKS TO GO!!!** Santa will arrive at 11.00 am. There will be raffles for Christmas Hamper and a Christmas Cake. Other prizes too. Fancy Goods and Toiletries, buy your stocking filler presents. Homemade cakes and jams. Plants. Colouring Competition for children. Come and have a snack in the dining areas: tea, coffee, hot chocolate, bacon batches, homemade soup, baked potatoes, hot dogs, toasted items. Mince pie and cream, ice cream. If you have any items for the stalls, please bring on Friday 17th between 2.00 and 8.00.p.m. or on Saturday before 10.00 please. Ring Wendy on 07867795179 if you need to have them collected.

The Fair is not only a fun time for us all to get together but also to raise funds for the general maintenance of our buildings. Eg central heating maintenance and service, fire alarm maintenance, fire extinguisher maintenance and service, gutter cleaning! We have had ingress of water over these last weeks of rain and there is roof repair work to be done on the hall roof over the stage. Not to mention general odd jobs which occur in any home or place of work or worship to keep our buildings safe, clean and a happy place to meet in. We look forward to seeing you .

Notices next week:

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