

**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 26th October – 2nd November 2025

This Week's Collect:

Eternal God, giver of love and peace, you call your children to live together as one family. Give us grace to learn your ways and to do your will, that we may bring justice and peace to all people, in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

This week's Worship:

Sunday 26th October 10.30am: Rev Peter Hughes, Holy Communion

This week's readings:

2 Timothy 4: 6 – 22

Luke 18: 9 - 14

Forthcoming services at St James':

Sunday 2nd November 10.30am: Rev Dr Andrew Cheatle

Sunday 9th November 10.30am: Andrew Gillespie, Remembrance Sunday & Parade

Sunday 16th November 10.30am: Paul Holt

Sunday 23rd November 10.30am: Rev Dr Clement Matarirano

Forthcoming events:

Thursday 30th October 9.30am – 11.30am – Morning Coffee

Saturday 8th November 10.00am – 12.00pm – Coffee morning

Monday 10th November 7.30pm – Church Council

Wednesday 19th November 7.15pm – Wednesday Fellowship group

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

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: Paul Holt,

Reading: Kate & Jamie Cook: Philippians 3:10-14,

Prayers: tbc

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

Benevolent Fund

The focus of our benevolent fund collection at the communion service on **26 October** will be the Marie Curie Charity.

Regrettably Marie Curie has had to take the decision to close its in-patient facility at the Woolton Hospice, but it continues to offer all its other services to support people of Liverpool with a terminal illness or needing end of life support or care.

The outpatient service at the hospice continues to be fully staffed and operational, and its community services providing care and psychological support for patients in the last few months of their life continue. It has a free Support Line which operates seven days a week. Last year, working alongside local NHS partners, it introduced new services to provide end of life care for more people at home. The Enhanced Hospice Care at Home service (which the NHS refers to as a Virtual ward) provides specialist care to people at home from experts including nurses, doctors and other health professionals. People who would have been considered for in-patient admission are still being referred to it and assessed for their suitability for enhanced hospice care at home. This is an in-person service, not a telephone line.

St James's has supported the Woolton Hospice in many ways over many years, and the need for our support continues to be as relevant as ever.

If you would like to nominate a charity to be considered for the 2026 Benevolent Fund Collections, please speak to Pam Alexander or any of the Steward Elders. Your nomination should include the contact details and a brief description of the charity.

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.

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

Next Level

Next Level is a free (Methodist-led) weekly youth club for ages 11-18 is now being held at St Mary's Methodist Church, Halewood (L26 0TX) on Mondays between 7.30-8.30 pm. It is offering events, games and skills, including 'learning to plan and lead events in your community - a great way to build your CV.' All are welcome.

MHA Fulwood Court Late Autumn Coffee Morning

529 Aigburth Road Liverpool L19 9DN (Next door to 'The Kingsman')

Saturday 15th November 10.15am – 11.45am

Entrance £2 including Tea, Coffee and light refreshments.

Tombola, Raffle and Bric-a-brac stall.

District Christmas Card Competition

The North West Methodist District I has launched a Christmas Card Competition for all children and Young People. Closing date November 16th. Please see full details below.

"The competition will be open to all children and young people that attend churches across the District or attend messy churches, forest churches and church affiliated uniformed organisations.

The winning design will be the cover of the District Christmas card, sent out by our District Chair and other members of the District Senior Leadership at Christmas.

Please download and use the entry form [here](#).

Designs can be entered by post to: North West England District, C/O Central Methodist Church, Lune Street, Preston, PR1 2NL or by email to: admin@nwedmethodists.org.uk (if you are scanning and sending entries digitally, please retain the paper copy). The deadline for submissions is Monday 17th November."

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.

Praying for the Growth of our Church

Lord Jesus, We thank you for the signs of growth in our Church.

We rejoice in welcoming those who join us for the first time.

Thank you for those who are exploring commitment.

Thank you for those times when we grow in our own understanding and commitment to you.

We celebrate the ways in which, as individuals and a Church, we are able to serve others.

We ask you to fill us again with your Spirit and to encourage us in our mission.

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.

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