

**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.



**SUNDAY OCTOBER 20th 2019**

***Welcome to everyone this morning:***

**and if you are worshipping with us for the first time, St James' offers you a very warm welcome and we hope you'll come again.**

Refreshments are always provided after Worship – please join us.

We would like to keep in touch with you to let you know what's going on at St James', so please fill in your details on the '**NEW TO CHURCH**' slip.

A lift is available for access into church, and there is a ramp at the rear of the building. We have large print hymnbooks; other items are available in large print. **If you need any help, please ask a steward.**

**This Morning's Preacher is** Graham Martin

**This Morning's Worship is** a Service of the Word

**Welcoming you are** Ken Davies and Jayne McLaren

**The Vestry Steward is** Pam Bellis

**The Book Stewards are** Tony Laverty & Pam Alexander

**Our Readers are** Jane & Tony Laverty

**The Readings are** Genesis 32.<sup>22-31</sup>; Luke 18.<sup>1-8</sup>; 2 Timothy 3<sup>14-45</sup>

**The Collect for the Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Lord Jesus Christ, you have taught us that what we do for the least of our brothers and sisters, we do also for you. Give us the will to be the servants of others as you were the servant of all; for you gave up your life and died for us, but live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

***\*Today is observed as Homeless Sunday***

Your church is open for coffee on Tuesday mornings from 9.15 to 12.00

***The Church is registered for Gift Aid*** If you are a taxpayer, and not using the envelope system, please complete a Gift Aid envelope with your offering.  
***Offertory card*** - If you contribute by standing order, please take a card from the table at the back of the church to place on the plate to represent your gift.

***WOMEN'S GUILD PROGRAMME***

**October** 23 Ruth Christie  
30 Tony Laverty

**November** 6 Soup & Sandwiches  
13 Anne Wells -  
*Education Australia*  
20 Geraldine Bounds -  
*Bradbury Fields*

Meetings are at 2 pm; Soup and Sandwiches at 1 pm, doors open at 12.45

***FUTURE DATES – LOTS!***

Sunday October 27 <sup>th</sup>	Faith Lunch and shoebox packing
Wednesday October 29 <sup>th</sup>	Pastoral Committee
Friday November 1 <sup>st</sup>	Community Social: see below
Saturday November 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Male Voice Choir Concert: see below
Monday November 11 <sup>th</sup>	Mission Action Group
Saturday November 16 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Fair
Sunday November 17 <sup>th</sup>	Girls' Brigade 70 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary
Monday November 18 <sup>th</sup>	Special Projects Meeting
Thursday November 21 <sup>st</sup>	Finance and Property Committee

***TRIO PRESENTATION***

***\*\*Your response TODAY if at all possible, please!\*\****

***FLOWER MINISTRY***

There are a lot of dates available through the year for the giving of flowers. **Please consider this important ministry.** It doesn't have to be a pedestal, just a simple vase of flowers is fine and there is no minimum amount required. Please speak to Jonquil if you can help.

***LIVERPOOL MALE VOICE CHOIR***

Tickets are now available from Wendy (07867795179), or you can pay at the door.

***CIRCUIT PRAYERS – HALEWOOD***

Pray for the new Team Vicar, the Rev. Andrew Radford, whose induction takes place today at St Nicholas' Church.

## ***CHRISTMAS FAIR –***

**Saturday 16th November** - 10.00 am until 1.30. Four weeks to go!

The Christmas Fair has historically been a fund raiser specifically for the general maintenance of the hall buildings. We have undergone an expensive refurbishment of the hall buildings generally. However, this does not end the continuing day to day maintenance of the whole building. We have striven for decades to maintain and service this building for the use of many organisations. We now rent it out to a number of outside organisations, and this generates an income without which we, as a church, could not survive.

**We survive because of the amazing support and help of volunteer helpers.**

However, these volunteers are few in number and we are looking for and hope to find others who are willing to help in keeping our buildings viable and open to all. **If you feel called to help, in any way, please contact a Steward or speak to Wendy Doig.**

We need help on Friday 15th at any time from 2.00 until 9.00 pm, help with stalls during the day, and at the end of the event to help tidy away. We will be delighted to have donations of no longer needed toys; children's books and games; plants/flowers; homemade cakes, pies, chutneys, jams, toiletries and Christmas gifts, items of jewellery, stationery, BUT PLEASE NO BOOKS OR ITEMS FOR WHITE ELEPHANT STALL. Donations can be brought to the hall after 2.00 pm on Friday 15th but before 8.30 please or contact Wendy on 07867795179. Santa will arrive and will be in the Grotto from 11.00 am. Face painting. Children's Art and Craft Christmas Activity Table. There will be coffee, tea, mince pies, toasted tea cakes, bacon & sausage batches, and lunches.

## ***COMMUNITY SOCIAL***

The Fish and Chip Supper In support of Peace Project in Local Schools is to be held on Friday 1st November starting at 7.30. Tickets are £12 and can be obtained from Ann Wells on 07486695777 or Dot Woods. This is a Rotary organised event held in our Church Hall. Details on request from Ann.

## ***REFILL***

The church is now registered as a place where water bottles may freely be refilled; the times when we can be accessed can be found via the app: <https://refill.org.uk/get-the-refill-app>. As the scheme gets better known it may be that we will see some people use us.

## ***THE BENEVOLENT FUND***

This is used to enable St James' to support named charities suggested by members of the congregation. We take up a collection for the Fund at each communion service and one charity is nominated for each collection. If you would like to suggest a charity which we might support in this way, then will you please let Peter Bounds have details of the name and purpose of the charity, and details as to where our contribution should be sent. The rota for charities to be supported from the Fund is agreed from time to time by the Steward Elders, and details of each charity being supported are recorded in the weekly notice sheet. This month's collection on October 27 will be for Oakleaf Family Counselling.

## ***“EVIDENCE FOR JESUS”***

The next part in Dave Bedford's series is on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> October in church at 7.30pm. This topic is: “Science, Creation, Evolution and Charles Darwin”.

## ***SAMARITANS PURSE SHOE BOXES***

It's that time of year again! This year everyone is welcome to join us in a '**Bring and Share**' lunch on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> October after the Sunday service, where we will be packing the shoe boxes with all the gifts we brought and collected over the Sundays in Lent. Shoe boxes will be available for those also wanting to put their own shoe box together. Completed shoe boxes need to be returned by **Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> November**. September's benevolent collection will go towards covering the donation required to send the boxes to their destination. Any questions - please ask myself or a steward. Jayne McLaren.

### ***NEXT SUNDAY: October 27<sup>th</sup>: Communion and Dedication***

<b>Minister</b>	Rev. Peter Hughes	<b>Offertory</b>	Margaret Peacop & Chris Hickey
<b>Welcome</b>	Jonquil Dickson		
<b>Steward (V)</b>	Tony Laverty	<b>Tea/coffee</b>	Karen Skyner & Kay Whittaker
<b>(W)</b>	Liz Hudson		
<b>(B)</b>	Dave Dickson & Pam Bellis	<b>PowerPoint</b>	Liz Hudson
		<b>Music</b>	Peter Bounds
<b>Readings</b>	Pam Alexander & Pam Bellis	<b>Flowers</b>	Gwladys Gardner
		<b>Delivery</b>	Pam Draper
<b>Prayers</b>	Dave Dickson	<b>Communion</b>	Margaret Dee

**Tuesday Coffee October 22<sup>nd</sup>** Jane Allen and Norma

***Notices for next week*** – Please send any messages to Derek Long at [dandjlong765@gmail.com](mailto:dandjlong765@gmail.com) or on 722 1014