

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 AUGUST 25th 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 or braille on request. There is a loop system for people with hearing aids.

If you need any help, please ask a steward.

This Morning's Preacher is Liz Hudson

This Morning's Worship celebrates "Show in a Week"

Welcoming you are Dave Dickson, Jayne McLaren, and the Bates family

The Vestry Steward is Tony Laverty

The Book Stewards are Carol Skyner and Graham Martin

Our Readers are Lynne Barker & Jayne McLaren

The Readings are stories based on Genesis 28 and Luke 12

The Collect for the Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

Holy God, you liberate the oppressed and make a way of salvation.
Unite us with all who cry for justice, and lead us together into freedom;
through our Lord and Liberator, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Your church is open for coffee on Tuesday mornings from 9.30 to 12.30

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 make an offering 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

September	4	Soup & Sandwiches	October	2	Soup & Sandwiches
	11	Hilary Hopkin		9	Peter Hughes
	18	Liz Spencer		16	Fiona Martin *
	25	Steve Skyner		23	Ruth Christie
				30	Tony Laverty
					<i>*This meeting open to all</i>

TRIO

The Responsibility Is Ours – At Church Council it was agreed that as a church we should review our stewardship programme on giving. More information will be circulated in the next few weeks and there will be a presentation during one of our services. In the meantime please continue to pray for the work of our church at St James’.

FELLOWSHIP GROUPS THROUGH THE SUMMER

Monday September 9th at 30 Stuart Avenue, 2 pm

GOOD NEWS

There was a report some months ago that **Traidcraft** was likely to bring its operation to an end. Now the company is able to say that it has turned a corner, and that the work will continue – not on the same scale as before, but keeping firmly to its original aims. The chief executive says he looks forward to working as a “smaller, nimbler, and more focused enterprise”.

As the pound falls, costs inevitable go up, and like many enterprises Traidcraft is nervous about the possible impact of Brexit. However, they expect to record a small profit this year, and a service of thanksgiving will be held in Newcastle on September 14th.

THE CIRCUIT WEBSITE

is now www.liverpoolsouthcircuit.org

Have a look: let us know what you think & what you’d like to see on it.

CIRCUIT PRAYERS

YOUTH MATTERS

Pray for the Children's and Youth Management Committee consisting of Circuit children's and youth leaders, a teenage girl from Halewood and a teenage boy from Trinity. Pray for its 3-monthly meetings (next one in October), for Tasia (Children's and Youth Worker) and for Chris (Youth Secretary). Thank God for the enthusiasm and commitment of those who attend, and for Paul's support and encouragement. Pray that all our discussions and decisions may be guided by the Holy Spirit, as we seek to support each other in working with young people, together.

PROJECT 5000

Pray for the work being done by Methodists, Salvation Army and Anglicans in the Picton area with the Roma community. Thank God for the friendships that are being made with this marginalised community through stories, songs, games, prayer and pastoral care. Thank God that the bus is now in Lancashire and will be used to deliver Godly Play to the outlying villages and schools.

LIMBERING UP: THE CAST OF "ANNIE"



THE BIBLE SOCIETY

Originated after the famous 26-mile walk of 15-year-old Mary Jones in 1800, so that she could buy a Bible in Welsh. Today the Mary Jones Centre in St. Beuno's Church in Bala celebrates this history and the work of the Society across the world, and welcomes visitors to its displays and café. Entry is £4.25 for adults, but there is **one** ticket at the back of the church which will let you in free!

REV. DR LIZ SMITH

The Rev. Dr Liz Smith was known in this District in Wirral Circuit some years ago and it is with sadness that we have heard that Liz died peacefully at home on the evening of 5th August, surrounded by her family. Please pray for Liz's family at this time. She was Chair of the Leeds District until ill health forced her early retirement. She was ordained the same year as Sheryl and was a sincere and committed colleague and friend throughout her ministry.

ST JAMES' MEMORIAL BOOK

We are preparing a memorial book, recording the deaths of past church family members, which will be on view for people to view. It has been suggested that we start it from the year 2000 and it will record the name of the person and the date of death. In order to have as full a record as possible, and not to accidentally omit any names, would you please provide the name and date of any members you know of who should be included in the book. Please email Pam Bellis at pambellis@hotmail.com.

NEXT SUNDAY: September 1st

Minister	Rev. Ian Hu	Offertory	Jane Williams & Chris Hickey
Welcome	Pat Fagan	Tea/coffee	Pam Draper & Gwladys Gardner
Steward (V)	Stuart Williams	PowerPoint	Lynne Barker
(W)	Margaret Peterson	Music	Peter Bounds
(B)	Graham Martin & Pam Bellis	Flowers	
Readings	Peter and Geraldine Bounds	Delivery	Carol Skyner
Prayers	Chris Bennett		

Tuesday Coffee September 3rd Wendy Doig & Eileen Curphey

Notices for next week - please send to Derek Long at
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