

**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 – 15<sup>th</sup> - 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2023**

**This Week's Collect:**

Living God, in Christ you make all things new. Transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace, and in the renewal of our lives make known your heavenly glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Second Sunday in Ordinary Time:**

Almighty God, by whose grace alone we are accepted and called to your service, strengthen us by your Spirit, and make us worthy of our calling; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**This Sunday's Worship:**

**10.30am January 8th:** Steve Elliott

**Forthcoming services at St James'**

**January 22<sup>nd</sup>:** Revd. Peter Hughes Covenant Service and Holy Communion with after service tea and coffee. (\*Pam Alexander & Irene Elliot)

**January 29<sup>th</sup>:** Revd. Tim Meadows Church Anniversary with after service tea and coffee. (\*Jayne & Andrew McLaren)

**Forthcoming events:**

**Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> January** – 10.00am – 12.00pm Farmer's market and coffee morning

**Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> January** – 2.30pm Pastoral visitors meeting in Church

**Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> January** – 7.30pm Mission Action group meeting (all welcome)

**Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> January** – 7.30pm Bible Fellowship group

**Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> January** – 9.30am – 11.30pm Coffee Morning

**WORSHIPPING BY PHONE**

***IF YOU CANNOT COME TO WORSHIP AT ST JAMES IN PERSON*** - why not listen into the live afternoon telephone worship at 2.30 p.m. which lasts 15-20 minutes. Just dial 0333-006-7775 from your landline telephone between 2.20-2.30pm; then enter the "Pin" number: 08 39 09 01 and say your name when asked to do so. You will be able to chat to everyone else who joins until the service starts. Worship includes an opening prayer, a Bible reading, the Lord's Prayer said together, a short reflection on the reading, prayers of intercession and a blessing before we share the words of The Grace

**This Sunday the host is Liz Hudson, the Speaker is Revd. Peter Hughes and prayers will be led by Paul Holt.** Everyone is invited to, and very welcome at, this time of worship and fellowship.

**Birthdays**

Birthday blessings to all who are celebrating birthdays this week with their families and loved ones.

**Congratulations** to Dot Woods and family on the birth of ALFRED WOODS, carrying on the name of his great grandad, Alf. He is 4 months old now and this lovely picture was the first time Dot met him and was able to have a cuddle.



## Prayers

We pray for all that are in need of our prayers this week. We pray particularly for Pam Draper, Sheila Thwaite, Ron Swindells, Mike Hughes, Tony Laverty, Steve Underwood, Billy Lamb, Arthur Evans, Joan Greenall, Ken Kitchen, Hilary Hopkin, Heather Hughes, Dave and Madge Tilly. We also pray for the family and friends of Joyce Pudifer, friend of St James's who has sadly passed away this week. Garston Park Church has sadly, lost 2 members of its congregation well known to us:

**Arthur Thomas** passed away in hospital over New Year and his funeral will take place on Wednesday 1st February at 12.30pm and **Jean Wharton** passed away a few days ago at home, (her funeral has not been arranged). Please keep their families and friends in your prayers as they come to terms and grieve their loss.

Want to join me in supporting a good cause? I'm walking 56 miles in February for **REFUGE**, who on any given day support thousands of women and their children who are survivors of domestic abuse. Donating just £10 could provide a woman arriving at a refuge with the support she needs for her first night. £52 could fund her and her children's stay. £185 could fund the running of the Helpline for an hour. £500 could run one of the refuges for one day. Every £1 counts. Together we can make an impact to survivors of domestic abuse. Thank you for your support.

**I will have a sponsor sheet in church each week for those who wish to support me, or alternatively you can donate via my Facebook page.**

**Many thanks from Pam Alexander**



## Warm Spaces Initiative

A meeting on Tuesday, January 31st in the church hall at 2pm for all those who have already volunteered to be on a rota on Tuesday afternoons over the next couple of months. Anyone else who would like to join in is very welcome to do so. For more information or to register your interest please call Liz Hudson on 07866213330 or come along on the 31st.

## Monetary Offerings

Your monetary donations are vital to the running and future of St. James Church, please contact Margaret Dee if you would like to change your giving to a Standing Order or join the Weekly Envelope scheme. Also, if you are a UK taxpayer, please consider Gift Aid.

## 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.

## NOTICES NEXT WEEK

Helen and Steve Miller have now taken over the notices and newsletter from Jayne and Andrew McLaren. You can download all weekly notices and newsletters [from our website](#) too. Anything you wish to be included in the weekly notices or the monthly newsletter, please email by Thursday evening: [newsletter@stjameswoolton.org](mailto:newsletter@stjameswoolton.org) **Helen & Steve**