

**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 February 2023

This Week's Collect:

Loving God, the light of the minds that know you, the life of the souls that love you, and the strength of the wills that serve you: help us so to know you that we may truly love you, and so to love you that we may truly serve you, whom to serve is perfect freedom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time:

God our Father, whose Word has come among us: may the light of faith, kindled in our hearts, shine in our words and deeds; through him who is Christ the Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

This Sunday's Worship:

10.30am February 5th: Paul Holt (St James')

Forthcoming services at St James'

February 12th: Steve Mitchell (St James') All Age Worship (**Dave & Jonquil Dickson*)

February 19th: Andy Gillespie (St James')

February 26th: Revd. Peter Hughes (St James') 1st service in Lent & Holy Communion
(**Wendy Doig & Glenys Evans*)

Forthcoming events:

Wednesday 8th February 1.30pm – 2.30pm Quiet prayer at Church

Saturday 11th February - 10.00am – 12.00pm Coffee Morning and Farmer's market

Thursday 9th February - 9.30am – 11.30pm Coffee Morning

Thursday 16th February - 9.30am – 11.30pm Coffee Morning

Thursday 23rd February - 9.30am – 11.30pm Coffee Morning

Monday 27th February – 2.30pm Bible Fellowship Group (At Pam Drapers house)

Sunday 12th March - arrivals from 3.45pm, singing from 4.15pm **Harmony Café**

WORSHIPPING BY PHONE

IF YOU CANNOT COME TO WORSHIP AT ST JAMES IN PERSON WHY NOT LISTEN IN

to 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 Paul Holt.

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

Prayers

We pray for all that are in need of our prayers this week. We pray particularly for Margaret Dee, Pam Draper, Sheila Thwaite, Ron Swindells, Mike Hughes, Billy Lamb, Arthur Evans, Joan Greenall, Ken Kitchen, Heather Hughes, Dave and Madge Tilly.

Ken Davies sends his best wishes to all at St. James. He has a new mobile number and if anyone would like his number or address, please contact Jayne McLaren.

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

Half-marathon challenge for Parkinson's UK

In memory of my father-in-law, Fred, who passed away after living with Parkinson's disease for many years, I'm going to run the Liverpool half-marathon (13.1 miles) on 26th March to raise money for Parkinson's UK. The charity helps people with Parkinson's to live as well as they can and hopes to make finding a cure for Parkinson's a reality. If you would like to sponsor me, I'll have my sponsorship form in Church – and, to add an element of fun, I invite you to guess my finishing time for the opportunity to win a prize! My training is underway and I can often be seen pounding the streets of Mossley Hill, Garston and Woolton at rather random times of the day – please do shout some words of encouragement if you see me! No matter how well prepared I am for the challenge, the last four miles of the race are along Otterspool Prom – so I'm hoping the weather is kind on the day!

Thank you for your support!

Debbie Stanford

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.

The Benevolent Fund collection on 22 January for the Nightingale Hospice raised £150 plus gift aid. Thank you to everyone who supported this collection.

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

You can download all weekly notices and newsletters [from our website](#). Anything you wish to be included in the weekly notices or the monthly newsletter, please email by Thursday evening: newsletter@stjameswoolton.org

Helen & Steve Miller