

ST JAMES' METHODIST & UNITED REFORMED CHURCH WOOLTON L25 7RJ

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Peter's day off is Friday - messages and emails left on Fridays will not be received by him until Saturday.



NEWSLETTER – 5th June 2022

This Week's Collect

Pentecost

God, who at this time taught the hearts of your faithful people by sending to them the light of your Holy Spirit: grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgement in all things and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

WORSHIPPING AT ST. JAMES'

This Sunday our preacher will be an All-Age Service of Worship for Pentecost and the Queen's Platinum Jubilee planned and led by the Mission Action Group, Liz Hudson and the Worship Team – starting at 10:30 a.m.

WORSHIPPING BY PHONE

If you want to listen in to the Service on Sunday, dial the above number, then PIN and listen in. You can chat up to 10.30, but when the service starts everyone will be "muted" to avoid feedback/noise.

This Sunday our preacher will be Revd. Peter Hughes

To join us for a short (15-20 minutes) Act of Worship: Between 2.20pm and 2.30pm on Sunday:
From your normal "landline" telephone: Dial: 0333-006-7775
On being asked, enter the following number, or "Pin": 08 39 09 01
You will be able to chat with everyone else who joins until the service starts.
This Sunday's Act of Worship, or short service, will comprise:

COST: - The above number costs the same to dial as ordinary UK numbers – if you have "free minutes" from your telephone supplier then there will be no cost.

The Host for this service is Liz Hudson

Order of Worship:

- **Welcome and notices:**
- **Opening prayer** (Liz Hudson)
- **Bible reading** (Norma Hanna: Acts 2:1-12)
- **Lord's Prayer** (Liz Hudson)
- **Talk or "mini-sermon"** (Rev Peter Hughes)
- **Prayers** (Pam Bellis)
- **Grace and dismissal.** (Liz Hudson)



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

COFFEE MORNINGS

Thursday Morning Coffee Mornings are now in full swing!

We are open from 9.30 until 11.30. Time for chat, sharing of news and meeting new people or just getting to know folk better is a great lift to the spirits. Please come along, think about inviting a friend or neighbour. A warm and sunny welcome awaits.

**BUT THERE WILL BE A JUBILEE COFFEE MORNING IN CHURCH, ON SATURDAY JUNE 11TH 2022
FROM 10-12 NOON**

TEA, COFFEE, BISCUITS, TOASTED TEA-CAKES ETC.

**WITH AN EXHIBITION OF ROYAL MEMORABILIA INCLUDING ITEMS LENT BY MEMBERS OF THE
CONGREGATION.**



COME AND JOIN THE FUN. EVERYONE WELCOME.



Bible Month 2022: Isaiah

During June we will be sharing in Bible Month at St James'. During Bible Month we focus on a particular book of the Bible.

This year it is Isaiah.

Services on these Sundays will be focused on **Isaiah**:

Sunday 12th June Preacher Peter Hughes

Sunday 19th June Preacher Robina Murdoch

Sunday 26th June Preacher Peter Hughes

Sunday 10th July Preacher Matthew Dyer

The Monday fellowship Group on 6th June & 4th July will also focus on Isaiah - as will the Wednesday House Group during their meetings. **Steve Elliott** has copies of the booklet that go with the Isaiah Bible Month. Please ask Steve if you would like a copy.

Church Flowers

We have recently resumed our beautiful flower displays in Church each week. 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 know have a box at the back of church for any donations or small change. All donations are gratefully received. We will then deliver those flowers to people after the Service.

If you know someone who you feel would be blessed by receiving flowers from Church, please speak to **Jonquil** or a steward.

We will also need some more volunteers to take flowers out to people.

Reverend Brian Stocks

It is with great sadness that our family inform you of the death of our much-loved husband, father, grandfather and great grandfather, Reverend Brian Stocks. He passed away peacefully at home surrounded with those he loved. The funeral will take place in Taunton on Friday 24th June 2022 at 11.30am. Brian was a much-loved minister at St. James from 1977 for 8 years and then took up the position of supernumerary.

Please keep us all in your prayers. Lots of love Bernice, Nikki, Jackie, Tracy and families.

Bernice's address is... 31 Dellers Court, Dellers Wharf, Taunton, TA1 1DX

PRAYERS NEEDED

Heavenly Father, I call on you right now in a special way.
It is through your power that I was created.
Every breath I take, every morning I wake, and every moment of every hour, I live under your power.
Father, I ask you now to touch me with that same power.
For if you created me from nothing, you can certainly recreate me.
Fill me with the healing power of your spirit.
Cast out anything that should not be in me.
Mend what is broken.
Root out any unproductive cells.
Open any blocked arteries or veins and rebuild any damaged areas.
Remove all inflammation and cleanse any infection.
Let the warmth of your healing love pass through my body to make new any unhealthy areas so that my body will function the way you created it to function.
And Father, restore me to full health in mind and body so that I may serve you the rest of my life.
I ask this through Christ our Lord.
Amen.



Please remember those at St. James' who need our prayers this week, we pray for those close to our hearts, for those known to us and for those only you know of. For those due to undergo surgery and for those recovering.

We also pray for Mike Hughes, Alan Smith, Wendy Doig, Steve and Irene Elliott and the family of Brian Stocks.

St James' Show in A Week is back...

We are excited to announce that Show in a Week this year we will be rehearsing & performing **Madagascar JR**. After two years, we are hopefully able to celebrate our tenth year of **Show**

In A Week and look forward to welcoming back returning families and welcoming new families too.

Please share the information and news with any families who you think may be interested in joining us

Dates for this year are Monday 8th to Sunday 14th August with the pre-show workshop and auditions being held on Sunday 26th June.

Please note all children must be able to attend all dates to be involved.

Please email **Amy** for a form or more information. amybates93@aol.co.uk



BIRTHDAYS

For those who are celebrating a birthday this week, wishing you a wonderful time ahead.

Happy, happy birthday,
That's my birthday wish for you,
I hope your day brings you joy,
Whatever you plan to do.
Live each moment to the fullest,
Every single moment is dear,
This is the time to remember,
You only get one birthday a year.



A happy 11th birthday to **Daniel Stanford**, who celebrated his special day this week.
Many happy returns to **Pam Bellis** who celebrated her birthday on Friday (3rd June).

SPRINGWATCH WITH MIKE HUGHES

Some more wonderful photos taken by Mike Hughes of Calderstones Park. If you would like to share any photos showing God's beauty with your St James' family, then please send them to Jayne McLaren.



Isaiah 44

1 “But now listen, Jacob, my servant, Israel, whom I have chosen. **2** This is what the LORD says—he who made you, who formed you in the womb, and who will help you: Do not be afraid, Jacob, my servant, Jeshurun, whom I have chosen. **3** For I will pour water on the thirsty land, and streams on the dry ground; I will pour out my Spirit on your offspring, and my blessing on your descendants. **4** They will spring up like grass in a meadow, like poplar trees by flowing streams. **5** Some will say, ‘I belong to the LORD’; others will call themselves by the name of Jacob; still others will write on their hand, ‘The LORD’s,’ and will take the name Israel.

PLATINUM JUBILEE 70

We give thanks to God for Her Majesty's dedication to her duty over the last seven decades, we express our gratitude to her for the grace and fidelity with which she has exercised her responsibilities and the example of Christian service that she has offered to all her subjects, and we pray for her good health and the wellbeing of her family.

A prayer marking the Queen's Platinum Jubilee

Almighty and gracious God

70 years ago, a young woman, Elizabeth, made a commitment to serve you in the life to which you called her.

We thank you that, through all the changes in public life and personal life, she has remained faithful to that commitment.

May we also hear your voice, respond to your call, seek your guidance and remain faithful as we journey the pilgrimage of life with you.

Bless us, Lord, and bless our Queen.

Amen

Pentecost

Almighty God, who on the day of Pentecost sent your Holy Spirit on the disciples with the wind from heaven and with tongues of flame, filling them with joy and boldness to preach the gospel: send us out in the power of the same Spirit to witness to your truth and to draw everyone to the fire of your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



NEWSLETTER NOTICES NEXT WEEK



If you would like to share anything with your Church family in this newsletter including any birthdays, celebrations, or anyone to include in our prayers, please let me know.

Please send any messages to Jayne McLaren at

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