

**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 – 8th – 15th January 2023

This Week's Collect:

God our Redeemer, through Jesus Christ you have assured your children of eternal life and in Baptism have made us one in him. Deliver us from the death of sin and raise us to new life in Christ; for he is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

First Sunday in Ordinary Time:

Eternal Father, at the Baptism of Jesus you revealed him to be your Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit. Keep all who are born of water and the Spirit faithful to their calling as your people; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

This Sunday's Worship:

10.30am January 8th: Revd. Peter Hughes (St James') All Age Worship

***Tea and coffee following worship** (Liz Hudson & Wendy Doig)

We are pleased to offer this opportunity to chat together over a cuppa following worship on the Sunday mornings following All Age Worship and Holy Communion at morning services.

Message from Hilary Hopkin:

I would like to thank everyone who sent me cards and good wishes following my hip replacement operation in November and welcomed me back to church on New Year's Day. It was a joy to be with you all again.

Hilary

Forthcoming services at St James'

January 15th: Steve Elliot

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

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

Forthcoming events:

Tuesday 10th January - 7.30 pm Worship Consultation (Open meeting - Everyone Welcome)

Wednesday 11th January – 1.30 – 2.30 Church open for quiet prayer

Thursday 12th January – 9.30am – 11.30am Coffee morning

Saturday 14th January – 10.00am – 12.00pm Farmer's market and Coffee morning

Tuesday 17th January – 2.30pm Pastoral visitors meeting in Church

Tuesday 17th January – 7.30pm Mission Action group meeting (all welcome)

WORSHIPPING BY PHONE

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.

This Sunday our preacher will be Steve Elliot

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:

The host for this service is Graham Martin

Order of Worship:

- Welcome and notices
- Opening prayer
- Bible reading:
- Lord’s Prayer
- Talk or “mini sermon”
- Prayers (Irene Elliot)
- Grace and dismissal.



Birthdays

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

Prayers

We pray for all that are in need of our prayers this week. We pray in particular for Mike Hughes, Tony Laverty, Steve Underwood, Billy Lamb, Arthur Evans, Joan Greenall, Ken Kitchen, Ron Swindells, Hilary Hopkin, Heather Hughes, Dave and Madge Tilly.

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 (out now). 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. We are very grateful to Jayne and Andrew for all their hard work.

The weekly notice sheet will be in this shorter format to enable easier printing, but an **additional monthly newsletter** will be produced at the start of each month. This will include a message from our Minister, events, Church family prayers, dates for your diary for the coming month and any other news, celebrations, or events from our Church family. Photos are always welcome too! 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: newsletter@stjameswoolton.org

Helen & Steve