

## Sunday 10th February 2019

**TODAY IN CHURCH**

9am Holy Communion  
Preacher

Rev Laurence Smith  
Jeremy Galpin

10:30am Morning Worship (no children's groups)

Leader

Hannah Smith

Preacher

Jeremy Galpin

4pm Messy Church

### THE WEEK AHEAD

#### Monday 11th February

5:30pm Puppets

#### Tuesday 12th February

5:15pm- 7:30pm Rainbows

7:30pm Guides

8pm Preschool Open Meeting

8pm Pilates

#### Wednesday 13th February

9:45am Homegroup

10am Midweek Communion

10:30am Rendezvous

1pm Toddlers

5:15pm Rainbows

6pm-9pm Brownies and Guides

8pm Homegroup

#### Thursday 14th February

11am - 1:30pm St James Café

4:30pm - 7pm Rainbows and Brownies

7:15pm Pilates

#### Friday 15th February

8pm Music Practice

#### Sunday 17th February

9am Holy Communion

10:30am Morning Worship

#### Pre-School

Pre-School is open from 9:00am-12:00 noon,  
and 12:45pm-3:45pm Mondays, Tuesdays,  
Thursdays, and Fridays, during term time

#### **St James' Church Centre**

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### **Mens Walking group**

Will be going on a country walk on Tuesday 12th February, followed by a pub lunch. Please meet at the church for a 9.30am departure.

### **WOW (women on walks)**

Will be going on a country walk on Tuesday 12th February, followed by a pub lunch. Please meet at the church for a 9.30am departure.

### **St James Pre-School Open Meeting**

St James Church Pre-School Open Meeting on Tuesday 12th February 8pm

Do you value having an Outstanding Pre-School in Woodley?

Are you interested in the education of young children?

Could you be part of the on-going success of our Pre-School?

Do come along to the meeting to learn more. Everyone is very welcome.

### **World Day of Prayer**

This will be held at Christ Church at 10:30am on Friday 1st March. Refreshments will be served afterwards. All welcome.

### **Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM)**

The APCM will be held on Tuesday 16th April at 7:30pm.

There will be five vacancies on PCC for a 3 year term. Two church wardens need to be elected every year. For more information, please speak to Laurence, the church wardens or Diana Tollman.

### **Wanted: Voluntary Leaders for Boys' Brigade.**

1st Woodley Boys' Brigade seeks helpers/leaders for its younger age groups (5-7yrs & 8-11yrs), meeting on Wednesday evenings, at Christ Church, Woodley. BB has a Christian basis, and offers a varied programme of games, competitions, stories, arts & crafts, community interest, etc to boys with little or no church background. Talk to Bob Hansford if interested, or email: [hansford\\_robert@hotmail.com](mailto:hansford_robert@hotmail.com)

### **MEDITERRANEAN EVENING**

We will be having a Mediterranean Evening at St James on Saturday 23 March. Food, music, quizzes, games. Book this in your diary NOW!! Tickets will be on sale in early March.

### **REInspired**

Mon 11th Feb: Yr1/2@Woodley CofE; 2 classes exploring Was it always easy for Jesus to show friendship?

Tues 12th Feb: Yr1/2@Woodley CofE; 1 class exploring Was it always easy for Jesus to show friendship?

Thurs 14th Feb: Yr3/4@Woodley CofE; 2 classes exploring Could Jesus heal people?

Fri 15th Feb: Yr3/4@Woodley CofE; 1 class exploring Could Jesus heal people?

Please pray for us as we discuss some difficult topics and pray for enough volunteers particularly for Tues.

## St James' Vision

**St James 2020 Vision is to be a growing people of all ages that:**

1. Are rooted in prayer and growing in our faith in Jesus Christ
2. Are growing as confident disciples, and are willing and able to make disciples of others
3. Are committed to nurturing and investing in children and young people
4. Are growing in our understanding of and open to being empowered by the Holy Spirit to build up the church of God
5. Reach out into our community to be and to share the good news of Jesus Christ both inside and beyond the church walls, and across Woodley in partnership with others
6. Are listening, generous, and committed to quality in all that we do

### Focus Prayer Group

Monday 11th February 8pm-9pm in the front of church. Please enter and exit via the kitchen.

### Fairtrade Fortnight

Fairtrade Fortnight this year is from February 25th to March 10th. Please come to church on March 3rd and 10th prepared to support the Traidcraft stall we shall have. Traidcraft's future hung in the balance last year and it is great it is still trading albeit with a reduced range of goods and smaller workforce. Your support helps support producer groups.

### The Great JAC Bake Off

21st Feb 6pm-7:30pm is JAC's 2nd event of our birthday celebrations we're holding a Bake Off competition. Bring your baked entries to JAC before 4pm on Thursday 21st Feb.

Competition categories: Best Cupcakes (U12's) £1. Best Showstopper Cake £5, Best Taste (free). 6pm doors and votes open, 7:15 voting closes, 7:30 winners announced.

We'll be holding a cake sale once the judges have voted for Best Cupcake and Best Showstopper with the Best Taste being voted by you, the public, so come and eat some cake, meet other JAC supporters and share JAC stories. If you would like to enter into any of the categories please contact [office@jacoutreach.org](mailto:office@jacoutreach.org) for a competition form (entries can be submitted on the day but at an extra charge of +£1)

### Electoral Roll

In line with the Church Representation Rules a new Church of England Electoral Roll is being prepared. Whether or not you are currently included in the present St. James Electoral Roll, and if you wish to be entered into the new Electoral Roll, you will need to fill out an Application form. These forms will be available from Sunday 3rd February and must be returned by Sunday 17th March.

**You are entitled to have your name on the Electoral Roll if you are: Baptised, Aged 16 or over, And have been worshipping regularly in St. James Parish Church for 6 months prior to application.**

Any young person who will be 16 between April 2019 and April 2020 can fill out a form and will be included on the Electoral Roll on their birthday. Please note that with the new Church boundary there have been changes of roads included. Please check whether you live within the Parish Boundary or Out of Parish and tick the appropriate box. A list of roads will also be available in Church. Completed forms can be returned to me directly or to Becki in the Office during Office hours. Thank you, Margaret Mayer (Electoral Roll Officer)



### **Prayers for our Church Family**

Please pray for all those who are unwell, lonely or bereaved at this time. Please continue to pray for Michael Patterson, Joan Wise and Mick too and Steve Litchfield's sister. Continue to pray for Liz Hansford's visa situation as her permit to live/work in Iringa runs out soon.

### **Prayers for the world**

#### **Yemen**

After 4 years of civil war, Yemen is the worst crisis on the planet, yet rarely reported. An estimated 85,000 children have died of hunger; 14 million people face starvation unless things change. The conflict has hit food production and essential services have collapsed. Pray for an end to war, for freedom of movement for relief goods and safety of Tearfund partners.

#### **Brazil**

Recently, a dam at an iron ore mine collapsed, killing 80+ people. Hundreds more are missing. Pray for the affected community and for families who have lost loved ones. And pray other dams in the area will remain stable.

#### **Syria**

Give thanks that an aid convoy has finally reached a cut-off community of 40,000 people in Rukban. Elsewhere in Syria, freezing temperatures, snowfall and heavy rain are making life miserable for displaced people in tents, under tarpaulins or in damaged buildings. There are severe shortages of all the basics. Pray that supplies of stoves, fuel, blankets & warm clothes will reach those in need.

#### **Democratic Republic of Congo**

The deadly Ebola virus is spreading fast in eastern DRC, with 713 confirmed and probable cases and 439 deaths. Pray for health authorities fighting the disease, and for peace & stability after recent Presidential elections.

#### **Brexit**

Pray for our Govt and European leaders trying to find ways to solve the Brexit deadlock.