

A Prayer for the Ukraine

God of peace and justice,
we pray for the people of Ukraine today.
We pray for peace and the laying down of
weapons.
We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow,
that your Spirit of comfort would draw near
to them.
We pray for those with power over war or
peace,
for wisdom, discernment and compassion
to guide their decisions.
Above all, we pray for all your precious chil-
dren, at risk and in fear, that you would hold
and protect them.
We pray in the name of Jesus,
the Prince of Peace.
Amen.



Giving at St James

If you wish to make a donation towards
the ministry of St. James, or indeed
need to pay for a specific service,
please speak to Rev Ian or the Church-
wardens. Alternatively, you can scan
the QR code in this notice. Thank you.



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Pastoral Visiting

If you would like the opportunity for a longer chat
than time affords after a church service please feel
free to contact me. Thank you. Rev. Ian

My notes

Gift Day

Friday 25th July marked St. James' day, so today is
our Gift Day. This Gift Day gives us an opportunity to
make a one-off gift towards the ministry here at St.
James. Envelopes will be available in church or, if
paying by bank transfer, please can you note in the
reference that your gift is for Gift Day. Thank you.

Collect

Creator God,
you made us all in your image:
may we discern you in all that we see,
and serve you in all that we do;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

27th July 2025

10.30am Service of the Word

Welcome and notices

Opening words

Song: Strength will rise

Confession

Collect

Reading: Psalm 85:1-7

Song: Great is your faithfulness

Gospel reading: Luke 11:1-13

Sermon

Creed

Song: Who is like you Lord of heaven

Prayers

Lord's Prayer

Song: Meekness and majesty

Blessing and Dismissal

*If you have a word, a vision or a story to share, please
speak to Ian or one of the welcomers before the ser-
vice. An auditory loop is available.*

Large print service books are available.



NOTICES

Dates for your diary

Sunday 27th July: Gift Day

8:00am - Communion Service marking St. James' day.

10:30am - Service of the Word

Monday 28th July:

10:30am - Prayer meeting @ Hawthorn Road cancelled

Tuesday 29th July:

1:15pm - Stay and Play - cancelled

Wednesday 30th July:

1:00pm - Place of Welcome

Sunday 3rd August:

10:30am - Service of the Word

Women's Refuge

We have been in contact with an organisation which runs a Women's Refuge and hope to supply morse bags containing practical essentials for those fleeing domestic violence.

We still need the following items:

- Toothbrush and holders
- Shampoo
- Deodorant
- Soap boxes
- Fluffy socks
- Hairbrushes/combs
- Makeup/baby wipes
- Flannels
- Hand towels
- Sweets
- Colouring books/felts
- Notebooks
- Toys

KEY MINISTRIES



Our next Messy takes place on **7th September** and we will be thinking about **the life of St. Paul**. Please pray for those who plan and deliver this ministry as we look ahead for ideas for upcoming gatherings. Any offers to help with crafts, to cook, chatting to guests and tidying up would be **really helpful**. Please see Rev Ian or Jenny B for more information.

Stay & Play

Stay and Play runs every Tuesday in term time from 1:15pm. It s an opportunity for parents/ carers and their children to meet and play. Please tell folk about it and, if you want a flyer or a card to help, or indeed would like to help support this ministry, please see Rev Ian.



A space which offers coffee, tea, biscuits, cakes and sandwiches along with conversation, board games, computer access, advice and so forth. Please come along or invite anyone who might find it of value.

Mission Partners

We pray for the work of **SLADE GREEN FOOD-BANK**. We pray for Mell and the support staff, with a particular focus that a long term solution to the problems associated with collecting food from the supermarkets who support the project will be found. We give thanks for those volunteers who have stepped in to help in the meantime.

News from the Food Bank

The food bank has an urgent need for::



- ♦ Tinned fruit and veg
- ♦ Chocolate/snacks
- ♦ Tuna/hotdogs/meatballs
- ♦ Tea/coffee/hot chocolate
- ♦ Long life/evaporated milk
- ♦ Ready made custard
- ♦ Dried noodles, pasta & rice
- ♦ Pasta/curry sauces
- ♦ Stuffing/gravy
- ♦ Jam, honey, spreads
- ♦ Tins of baked beans, beans and sausages, macaroni cheese & chilli con carne
- ♦ Baby products - wet wipes, nappies size 4-6
- ♦ Toothpaste, Shower gel, Deodorant
- ♦ Shampoo & Razors
- ♦ Housecleaning products
- ♦ Toilet and kitchen roll

Prayer Focus



Those who are either unwell or need special prayers:

Ann C, Maureen B, Brenda M, Mavis M, Brenda P, Janet C, Mike S, Barry G, Thelma H and Stephen R.

We pray for our church family and this week we pray for Carol M, and Timothy and Mary N..

We pray for all those who live or work, travel along Park Mead, Penhill Road and Penhurst Avenue.