

New to St James? Welcome!

KEEP IN TOUCH

If you are new here, we would like to stay in touch with you. Please fill in a leaflet at the back of the Church and hand it to one of the churchwardens.

COLLECTIONS

We do not take up a collection during the service. If you would like to make a contribution towards the Lord's work, there is an offering plate on the table at the back of the Church. Gift Aid envelopes are available if you are a UK tax payer.

If you have been coming here for a while, please consider setting up a Standing Order. Contact the Planned Giving Officer, **Richard Taylor**, for details.

THE PEACE

During Communion Services we share The Peace with each other. Simply turn to those around you, shake hands and say something like "Peace be with you". You may then find that some people will move around the Church to share The Peace more widely.

PRAYER MINISTRY

We offer a personal ministry of prayer every week after the main Morning Service. If you wish to bring anything to God in prayer, and in private, please go to the side chapel at the end of the service where someone will be available to pray with you.

Also, if it is a Communion Service, as you return from the Communion rail, two people will be ready to pray a brief prayer with you if you wish.

HOME GROUPS

Tuesday	10:30 am	The Nomads (278387)
Wednesday	2:30pm	Follow on Group (412113)
	2:30 pm	15 Barrington Close (289367)
	7:45 pm	13 Gyffarde Street (972838)
	7:30 pm	28 Comeytrowe Lane (Steve Bradford 337690)
	7:30 pm	Killams Group (254344)
	7:30 pm	Hesperia, The Avenue (277916)
	7:45 pm	Ashley Road (284688)
	8:00 pm	North Taunton (272931)
Thursday	2:30 pm	27 Priorswood Road (271858)
	7:30 pm	21 St Georges Sq (07702982949)
	7:30 pm	21 Ryesland Way (490458)
	8:00 pm	12 The Avenue (271223)

CONTACTS

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All items for inclusion in the bulletin should be received by 12:00 Wednesday

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**Sunday
22nd April 2018**

**We welcome all visitors
and friends to our
worship today.**

As they talked and discussed these things with each other, Jesus himself came up and walked along with them. Luke 24:15

Sunday 22nd April Fourth Sunday of Easter

10:00am Pre-worship Prayer Meeting
in the Inner Office

10:30am Holy Communion (Prayer H)
Led By: James Haddell
Preaching: David Ager
Isaiah 53 Jenny Wakefield
Luke 24: 13-35 Steve Gill
Prayers: Ken Jamieson

Theme: The risen Christ meets us in our disappointments

(The children and young people are in Sunday Club and join us after the prayers.)

7:00pm Praise and Teaching
Richard Lucas and Jamie Fox

What's on at St James this week 23rd — 29th April

Monday 10:00am Baby and Toddlers in the Large Hall.

Tuesday 10:00am Blood Donors in Church.
No Parking today
7:00pm Church Prayer Meeting in the Small Hall.

Wednesday 9:30am Praise and Play in the Church.
10:00am Art Group in the Large Hall.

Sunday 29th April Fifth Sunday of Easter

10:00am Pre-worship Prayer Meeting
in the Inner Office

10:30am Morning Worship
Led By: Jamie Fox
Preaching: Geoff Treasure
Theme: Mission Sunday

(The children and young people are with us for the whole service.)

7:00pm Songs of Praise Richard Lucas and Team

**Please take this Bulletin away with you.
A LARGE PRINT BULLETIN is also available**

Church Office: 01823 272931 Hours: Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday between 10 am and 12.30 pm

Prayer Needs

In your prayers please remember Steve Bradford and Ruth Stevens, who have been chosen by the PCC as our Parish Representatives in the selection of a new vicar.

Please also remember Mike Gillingham who is supporting the ministry at St Peter's, as well as retired clergy, readers and church officers, including those who lead services in other places.

Please pray for any others known to us, who are in hospital, unwell at home, or who particularly need our prayers at this time.

In the Prayer Diary this week:

- 22nd** For a deeper commitment to the importance of marriage and family life in our nation and for the weddings at St James this year
- 23rd** Paul and Liz Sykes and family; Carol Sweeting
- 24th** *Middle Street; Milford Place*
- 25th** Nic and Janet Tall and family
- 26th** Kate and Richard Taylor
- 27th** Geoff Treasure; Joyce Vernon
- 28th** Martin and Jenny Wakefield and family

This Week

The Church office will be open as usual this week on Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday from 10am to 12.30pm

Next Week (30th April — 5th May)

Monday	10:00am	Baby and Toddlers in the Large Hall.
Wednesday	9:30am 10:00am	Praise and Play in the Church. Art Group in the Large Hall.
Thursday	TBC	Interviews.
Friday	All Day	Interviews.

Church Prayer Meetings

During the vacancy, the Church prayer meetings are a way to join together to encourage one another and pray for the life of the Church.

Upcoming meetings:

Prayer Meeting in Inner Office	8:30am	Every Friday
Pre-worship Prayer Meeting	10:00am	Every Sunday
Church Prayer Meeting in Church-	7:30pm	22nd May
United prayer for Taunton joint meeting with ROC		

Prayer Breakfast in Church	8:30am	20th May
Church Prayer Meeting in Small Hall	7:00pm	24th April

Other Prayer Meetings:

St James School Prayer meeting	8:00am	8th June
at The Hive St James School		

Looking Ahead

Bank Holiday Ramble – 7th May 9am.

Come for an adventurous 6½ mile walk to a dramatic coastal scene ... and a pretty thatched tea room afterwards. Details are on the board at the back of church.

Parking permits.

New permits into 2019 will be needed from the end of May and will cost £60 for the year. If you would like to renew your permit then please contact the Church Office during office hours. Alex will also have permits available from the back of Church on Sunday 6th and 13th May.

General Notices

Thanks from Joycey.

100% Thanks ... Hugs are back! Thank you all for upholding me in prayer during my recent operation and hospital stay. I felt the Lord, the prayer, love and healing. I am back in mind, and as I slowly greet etc. I ask for your continued support as I won't be able to lift, move heavy things for a considerable while. That's my Help! Help! Blessings love and hugs Joycey.

Passioneaster funds for Open Door

Delighted to announce that the Passioneaster performance was able to raise £912 for Open Door. Thank you to everyone who came and supported us and for any additional donations you made.

ROC.

The organisation ROC (Redeeming Our Communities) will be continuing to show the series of documentaries each telling stories of how local communities have been transformed by the presence of God. These will be shown monthly on Friday evenings at 7.30pm at North Street Church. The next date is April 27th, followed by May 25th and June 22nd. Further information can be found at the back of Church.

The next prayer meeting for this initiative will be on 22nd May at 7.30pm and will be held at St James. This will be a joint meeting with our usual Church prayer meeting. All are welcome.

Bishops Lent Appeal

Many thanks to all who supported the Bishops Lent appeal by contributing to the Palm Sunday and Easter Day collections. In total we collected £266.80 to support lay ministry in Somerset and Zambia. There are some leaflets at the back of the church for anyone wanting to know more about the Diocese's link with Zambia and how it will be celebrating the 40th anniversary. It also details a number of events which all are welcome to attend.

West Somerset Singers' are holding a Spring Concert

on Saturday 28th April at Rowbarton Methodist Church, Taunton at 7.30pm The choir will be performing Charles Wood's St Mark's Passion and Faure's Requiem. Tickets are £10 and are available on the door.

Songs of Praise

For the fifth Sunday in the month (29th April), this April's evening service will be a Songs of Praise with songs chosen by you. If you have a hymn/song that's important to you or has great meaning in your Christian life (and we have the words and music to it!) please let either Alex in the church office (info@stjamestaunton.co.uk) or Richard Lucas know as soon as possible this week. If you wish please write a short piece to explain why the song is so meaningful to you – this is optional and if you don't want to speak at the service, one of the team will read it out for you!

Annual Meeting Elections.

At the annual meeting on Monday 16th, Ruth Stevens and Joycey Kirk were re-elected as churchwardens. The four places coming vacant on PCC were filled by the re-election of Jamie Fox, Sheila Marlow and Jenny Wakefield, and the election of Sue Lucas. Thanks go to Jesse Eveleigh who stepped down from PCC at the end of his term.

Open Door Vacancy.

Open Door are looking to appoint an Advice, Guidance and Support Services Coordinator for 25 hours per week. To apply by 30th April. For further info please contact opendoortاونton@gmail.com.

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