

Dear Friends,

A few bits of news

* The *7 Sacred Habits booklet *is being used by quite a few people already, it's a simple 7 week bible reading plan, focused on 7 habits of Christian life. Paper copies are available in both churches, or you can download it here <http://www.stjamesyeovil.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2020/09/7SS-Bible-reading-plan.pdf> It's best to use it with someone else, to have a weekly conversation about what you're discovering. If you're not part of a small group and would like to be linked up with someone, please let me know. I'm doing a short video on each of the 7 habits, here's the first one, on Worship <https://youtu.be/xfXphZFO9P4>

* *'St James at 3'* started on Sunday at 3pm and the children had a lot of fun, the service continues weekly, with music, games and fun activities to help children and their families learn about God together. The services are following the same theme as the morning service, so we are all learning together. Please let Ruth know if you'd like to book seats for the next one!

* *Praying for St James* - a new monthly prayer time starts this Thursday at 7.30pm in St James church, for an hour.

* The new*'Worship at Home' *booklet is available, covering October and November. It's attached to this email, if you know someone who would appreciate a paper copy, please let us know.

* *St James Harvest Festival *is this Sunday, you can bring donations to the Lords Larder to the 10.30am or 3pm service, or between 4 and 4.30 in the afternoon.

* Please pray for *Caryl Plewes, who is being licensed as a Lay Reader* this Saturday in Wells.

* *St Peters AGM* will be held online at 2pm on Sunday 11th October. If there's anything to vote on, this can be done in person or by email after the meeting. More details will be sent to St. Peters members next week.

Worship: *on site and online*. All the worship leaders at St James and St Peters are meeting next week to discuss how, even in the current restrictions, we can lead worship which is inspiring, creative, and centred on Jesus. It would be really helpful to have your feedback and input: for those who have come to the church building, what has been helpful or unhelpful? For those joining online, what have we gained and/or lost by moving the streamed service into the church building? As we more and more feel the effect of the current restrictions, on top of what life in general throws at us, what do you find most inspires and draws you closer to God? Please pop your thoughts on an email back to me, we'd really love to hear your experience.

/"We have this treasure in jars of clay, to show that this all-surpassing power is from God and not from us. We are hard pressed on every side, but not crushed; perplexed, but not in despair; persecuted, but not abandoned; struck down, but not destroyed....therefore we do not lose heart. Though outwardly we are wasting away, yet inwardly we are being renewed day by day." (2 Cor 4:7-9, 16)/

yours in Christ

David

(Ruth is on a well-earned holiday until 3rd October)

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