

Parish of Preston Plucknett

St. James'

Preston Road
stjamesyeovil.org.uk

St. Peter's

Coronation Avenue
stpeters-yeovil.org.uk

May 2021

Updated on 29th April

SUNDAY WORSHIP

Services have resumed in our two churches, 9 am at St. Peter's and 10.30 at St. James', but due to social distancing please do not attend in person at present unless you have booked.

The morning service for **Sunday, 2nd May** will be live streamed from St. James' Church at 10.30 am and can be found as usual at <https://tinyurl.com/StJPY2020>.

The service sheet can be found on either of the church websites under the Virtual Church/Worship at Home heading and can be downloaded or viewed on line.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH

To keep in touch with St. James' church family during this time, please contact us (see below) or join St. James' Church Yeovil Facebook group.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH

To keep in touch with St. Peter's church family please contact us (see below) or join St. Peter's Church (Westfield, Yeovil) Facebook group.

CHURCH CONTACTS

Associate Vicar: Ruth Chapman revruth@mail.com 579602

Please note Ruth has Friday as her day off.

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St. Peter's Churchwarden: Caroline Turner carolineturner28@gmail.com

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ST. PETER'S COMMUNITY COFFEE

This has restarted at St. Peter's Church on Coronation Avenue on **Monday mornings** in the church grounds.

For further details please contact the church wardens.

ONLINE PARISH PRAYER MEETING

There is an informal prayer meeting for both churches hosted on Zoom every Wednesday 12.00-12.30 pm which is a good opportunity for us to pray together about the needs of the church, our town and the world. For joining details contact Mark Felstead.

If you can't join us on Zoom but have a prayer request, please send it to Mark mfelstead13@icloud.com

CHURCH OPEN FOR PRIVATE PRAYER

St. James' Church is open for Private Prayer twice a week.

This is on **Tuesdays from 2 - 4 pm** and on **Saturdays from 11 am - 1 pm.**

Social distancing and face coverings must continue until further notice.

ST. JAMES' COFFEE MORNING

Our first coffee morning after lockdown will be held at 10 am on the first **Thursday** of the month, **6th May**. We have to follow all

Covid rules so we will be outside in the churchyard.

(We can meet as groups of 6 or 2 households.) Because it's in the churchyard please bring your own chair (church room chairs tend to sink into the ground so it could be a lot further to get up than when you sat down) and wear suitable clothing.

We can only serve coffee this month so if you fancy a biscuit, please bring your own. We really look forward to seeing you.

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK

This takes place between **10th & 16th May**.

Christian Aid UK helps families overcome poverty and injustice in 29 countries around the world.

This year one of the priorities is the climate emergency.

Envelopes are available at St. James' and St. Peter's Churches when they are open. Please return envelopes by **23rd May** at the latest and remember to 'Gift Aid' where possible. If you have difficulty accessing envelopes please contact the church wardens for advice.

ASCENSION DAY

There will be a service of Holy Communion at 7.30 pm in St. James' Church on Ascension Day, **Thursday, 13th May.**
(No need to book for this service,
but please keep to social distancing regulations.)

ST. PETER'S KNIT & NATTER

This is re-starting soon! Beginning on **Wednesday, 19th May,** this will take place every other Wednesday at St. Peter's Community Centre.
Please phone Theresa 01935 426211 to book your place.
All welcome - see you there!

MIDWEEK COMMUNIONS

Midweek communion will be held at St James' on the 1st, 3rd and 5th Wednesdays of the month at 12 noon with the first one being on the **19th May.**

We are going to trial St Peter's with them too, on the 2nd Wednesday of the month, the first one being on the **12th May.**
This is a short service of around 30 minutes, with no music, but you do not need to book for it, so please just turn up.

REMINDER

David is now on Sabbatical. Please pray for him and his family.
For any information about church activities please contact Revd. Ruth or the churchwardens (See front page.)
To book for Sunday services at 9 am at St. Peter's please contact Caroline Turner carolineturner28@gmail.com
For St. James' 10.30 services please contact Maureen Harris maureenharris23@talktalk.net
and for All Age services on the 3rd Sunday of each month please contact Revd. Ruth Chapman (see first page)

REGULAR DONATIONS

If you have been putting aside your regular weekly collections for church please bring them along to the church when it is open or when you next attend a service.

THY KINGDOM COME

'Thy Kingdom Come' is a global interdenominational prayer movement launched by the Church of England six years ago. This year between Ascension Day and Pentecost (**13-23 May**) thousands of Christians throughout the world will be praying, specifically for family and friends to come to faith in Jesus. In doing so, we remember the first disciples praying in the upper room as they waited for the Holy Spirit to come to empower them for the mission of sharing the good news of Jesus.

We would love to support everyone in praying together between 13-23 May, so look out for news coming soon of special prayer times at St James', a virtual 'upper room' for continuous prayer, and ideas for praying in different and creative ways on your own, with your children or with friends and family.

"They (the eleven apostles) went up to the upper room...devoting themselves to prayer, together with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and his brothers." (Acts 1.13-14)

ADVANCE NOTICE: GIFT DAY

On Pentecost Sunday this year (**23rd May**) we will celebrate the Holy Spirit coming down to earth by holding a gift day at both St. Peter's and St. James'. With the restrictions having been in place tightly over the last few months, we have lost significant income through plate donations, through a lack of baptisms and weddings and of course fundraising has come to a halt. Both churches are therefore running at a deficit and we need to ask the church to help us through this next year. Please spend the next few weeks praying about this and how you can support us. Details of how to give will be available nearer the time.

THE LORD'S LARDER

The Larder is currently running low on the following;
Cuppa Soup, Bags of Sugar, Litres UHT Milk,
Shower Gel, Shampoo and Size 4+ Nappies.

Thank you for your generosity.

We are accepting donations from Mon - Fri 10am - 2pm at The Gateway, BA20 1QN and you can still donate items via the major supermarkets. **Updated on Monday, 26th April.**