



Living in Loving Community.

Have a look at www.besom.com and find out more about something new that we are investigating! The Besom is 'a practical equipping ministry. It provides a bridge between those who have time, money, skills or things they wish to give and those who are in need. Often the first steps across that bridge can be difficult- for any number of reasons. Everything that The Besom does is designed to make such steps simple, fun, rewarding and transformative. The Besom is uniquely focused on those who have and wish to give rather than on those in need. It is lay-led and its aim is to develop a passion for the poor in the hearts of those who give time, money, things or skills through it. Watch for announcements about this venture.

WAVE (We're All Valued Equally) is a new local group. Its aim is to see young adults with a learning disability more actively included in our churches and amongst their peers.

Training Day

If you're interested in seeing how you might get involved with WAVE then please come to a **training day** on **Saturday 6 March** at St James Church. It's being run by Causeway Prospects (www.prospects.org.uk) - an organisation that supports local churches in their response to the needs of people with learning disabilities. It will be an interesting day for all and attendance does not commit you to anything! Please register by completing the orange booking forms on the WAVE board at the back of church or in the bookshop.



To see the Promised Land video look at <http://www.st-james.org.uk/promiseland.php>

TOYS TOYS TOYS

Do you have any dolls, train sets or lego lying dormant? We'd love to make use of them here on a Sunday. Please contact ellen.huntersmart@st-james.org.uk or call on 0208 442 2824. Thank you.



Don't just give something up for Lent, take something up. Come and join us at Central Prayer on a Thursday morning at 6.30am. Breakfast included.



**Thursday Focus on 4 March
Is Euthanasia ever an option?**

Dr Maggy Spence will be coming to talk at Focus on this ethical issue on Thursday 4 March. Do come along and invite your friends. We start at 9.15am for coffee and cake followed by the talk at 9.40am. A crêche will be available.



Have you booked your place For our Church Weekend Away, 29-31 October 2010? Remember early bird discount of 20% for bookings received before Easter. Please put completed forms in the Perspex box at the back

of church. For more details contact jean.airey@st-james.org.uk



Today at St James

8.00am Holy Communion (1662) Celebrant: Penelope Swithinbank

9.30am & 11.15am

All Age Worship

Theme: Mission Unstoppable, Jesus and Peter Walk on Water.

Leaders: Ellen and Adam

6.00pm

Holy Communion

Theme: A Song of Fulfilment

Passage: Psalm 22

Speaker: Joel Payne

UNDER 18s at St James

As today is All Age Worship we want to encourage all families to stay in church for the service. Please do not worry if your children are noisy! If however your pre-schoolers are particularly restless, please do make your way through the glass doors to the crèche.

For details of the children's work please contact Ellen Hunter Smart at ellen.huntersmart@st-james.org.uk

Engage: 11-14s meet at 11.00am at the Birchwood for Smoothies.

Root: 14-18s meet in the Church Centre at 7.45pm after the 6pm service If you would like more details about any of the youth work at St James please contact Amy Powis, our Youth Associate at amy.powis@st-james.org.uk.

PRAYER at St James

Sundays - Come and pray for each of our services at 9.15am, 11.00am, 5.45pm Prayer Ministry is available after every service. Please go to the prayer ministry area and a member of the team will pray with you.

- Pray for our church family and those who are unwell, in distress or struggling.
- Pray for other local churches particularly this week for St Andrews, Alexandra Park and their minister Antony Pybus.
- Pray for Ruth Mason as she recovers.
- Pray for Mollie Nichols as she continues to improve.
- Primary Schools Work—please pray for the clubs we run at Coldfall, St Aidan's & St Michael at Bowes schools and for the new Pathway Easter assembly.
- Please pray for Ali Grimes' mother Alena Lotova who is unwell in Sweden and for Ali and the family at this time.
- Pray for John and Jane Bradley following John's recent stroke.
- Pray for healing for Jorg as he recovers from heart surgery and for his family at this time.
- Pray for Amy Powis speaking at St Lukes Hedge End Youth Group Weekend away today.
- Pray for the family of Julia Ritterbusch at this difficult time.
- Pray for the Alpha weekend away at High Leigh.

... this week

Monday	10.00am	Little Fishes
	8.00pm	Internationals
Tuesday	9.15am	Pilates, Experienced
	10.15am	Pilates, Beginners
	7.30pm	Alpha
	7.30pm	Marriage Course
Wednesday	11.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)
	2.30pm	Teatime
	4.30pm	Playball
	7.30	Explore Pastoral Care
Thursday	6.30am	Central Prayer
	9.15am	Focus—Is Euthanasia ever an option?
Friday	10.00am	Challenge Group
Saturday	9.45am	WAVE Training Day

.....Next Sunday - 7 March

8.00am	Holy Communion (BCP) Celebrant: Penelope Swithinbank
9.30am	Morning Worship The Trinity in Experience 1 Corinthians 12:1-6
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6.00pm	Evening Worship A Song of Hope Psalm 25

..... Upcoming Events

Sunday 21 March	6.00pm Confirmation Service
Monday 22 March	8.00pm APCM
22-28 March	A Passion for Life
29-31 October 2010	Church Weekend Away



Winter Shelter

This Thursday 4 March is the last week of the night shelter (for this Winter!). There will be a thanksgiving service, for anyone who would like to attend, on Sunday 18 April at 4.00pm at St Mary's Lansdowne Road, Tottenham. If you are good at organisation and like getting things neat and tidy Rachel would love some help sorting and packing away all the bedding etc ready for next year- let her know if you can help with this.

Welcome to St James Muswell Hill

If you are new to the church, or just visiting, we would love to meet you. Please do come to the Welcome Area at the back of church and introduce yourself.

Bookshop Helpers: The bookshop enables our church to open to the Broadway seven days a week. There are at present some gaps in the team of volunteers, especially after services on Sundays. Do you have some spare time? If so, please speak to one of the Clergy, or Martin Rich on 020 8444 8798. It's interesting, rewarding and fun.

Volunteers Needed: Give thanks for the person who has offered to help with the altar frontals. We still need a volunteer to take over the care of the white linen altar cloths. If you would like to know more about this please contact the church office or talk to Pat Peppiatt.

PCC Meeting: The next PCC Meeting is on Monday 8th March and the main items on the agenda are the Accounts for 2009 and the Budget for 2010. If you have any matters of interest or concerns please do raise them with a PCC member or e:mail Andrea Bleakley, PCC Secretary on andrea.bleakley@st-james.org.uk.

Congratulations to Sarah & Peter Webster on the safe arrival of Thomas Peter who was born at home in the early hours of Saturday 20 February, weighing in at 8lbs 13oz. Both he and Sarah are doing very well.

Thank you to all those who signed the petition for **Release International** before Christmas, calling for the Eritrean Government to stop detaining and torturing Christians. A total of 43,000 signatures were collected from all over the UK and these have been presented to the Eritrean Embassy in London as well as a copy to 10 Downing Street. **Thank you** for your support and we encourage you to continue to pray for this situation.

Soup Kitchen: Martin Stone of the Soup Kitchen has sent a message saying the Kitchen is desperate for tins of soup - any variety although vegetable, mushroom, chicken, tomato and lentil are preferable! Could you all please bring tins of soup to church as soon as possible.



St James Women's Day Retreat
2010

Calling all women of St James Church...how do you fancy spending a day together worshipping God, learning about the special plan he has for us as women, with plenty of time in there for tea and relaxation too! Our speaker will be Christine Perkin who will be sharing with us "A Certain Hope" **Saturday 24 April 10.00am-4.00pm, Oak Hill College**...Cost £10 or £7.50 (for students). Please pick up a booking form from church or email penelope.swithinbank@st-james.org.uk for more details or join the Facebook event.