



Welcome to our service



## 19th March—Mothering Sunday

9.30am Prayer Meeting in Revive

10.30am Family Communion. Lead & Preach: Jason *'Sin, Guilt and Human Nature'* Luke 18:9-14 (*pg. 1052 in the pew Bibles*)

### Useless Sinners

One of the unexpected successes of the Alpha course has been the development of Prison Alpha.

At the root of Prison Alpha's success is the message of redemption. Prisoners don't need to be convinced that they are sinners. Having been convicted of a crime and put behind bars, they know that society judges them as sinners deserving of punishment. Yet, presented with the gospel message of forgiveness of sin, redemption and the chance of a fresh start, Prison Alpha has led thousands of imprisoned men and women to faith in Jesus Christ.

The truth is that we are all sinners, whether or not society deems those sins to be worthy of imprisonment. As 1 John 1:8 states, 'If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.' Yet the promise of the cross is that 'If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.' (1 John 1:9).

This is no passport to heaven without demanding anything of us. Like prisoners released, we are given complete liberty, but not liberty to do as we like, but to respond to God's amazing love and grace, living lives worthy of the one who paid the price of our sins.

The wonderful promise of the New Testament is that even when we do fail, and fall back into sin, confession and repentance offers a chance for a new start, whatever we have done. It's a liberating truth. **Jason**

*"while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion for him he ran to his son..."this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found". ' Luke 15:20 NIV*

## Notices

The front section of the right side of the main aisle is set-aside for those who wish to take extra **Covid precautions**. Masks must be worn in this section and every other pew left empty.

This evening (Sunday) is our monthly **Prayer and Praise in Revive**. Do come and join us for a time of worship and intercession from **7-8.30pm**. Jason.

During Lent we will be basing our sermons on The Archbishops of Canterbury and York's **Lent Book** this year entitled 'Failure'. Accompanying booklets with 40 days of reflections are available without charge to all church members; please take a copy from the back of church if you do not yet have one.

**The Annual Church meeting (APCM)** will be on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> May in the large hall from 7pm. If you are a member of St James' and are not on the Church Electoral roll, please complete a form from the back of church or speak to Averil Tate. Electoral Roll members are entitled to attend and vote at the Annual Meeting.

**News sheet Production:** Please send notices for the next issue to the parish office by 9.30am on **Thursday** morning. [newsheet.stjames@gmail.com](mailto:newsheet.stjames@gmail.com)

## Services Ahead

26<sup>th</sup> March

9.30am Prayer Meeting in Revive

10.30am Morning Worship & Kids' groups. Lead: Simon, Preach: Amy  
*'Failure and the Church'*

2<sup>nd</sup> April – Palm Sunday

9.30am Prayer Meeting in Revive

10.30am Holy Communion. Lead: Jill,  
Preach: David *'Living Well with Failure'*

## Advanced Notices

15<sup>th</sup> May—Church Annual Meeting in the hall from 7pm

### Week Ahead

<b>Monday</b>	Jason on a Quiet Day	
	9am	Staff Prayer Meeting
	10am	Squiggles and Wiggles
	7pm	Table Tennis in the large Hall
<b>Wednesday</b>	9.30am	Table Tennis in the large Hall
<b>Thursday</b>	10am	Squiggles and Wiggles
<b>Friday</b>	10am	Safeguarding Team in Parish Office
<b>Saturday</b>	Jason's Day Off	
	Don't forget clocks spring forward tonight	

## Some helpful contact details:

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### ***Please pray for:***

**Lorna Smith** is now at home and able to walk with a walking frame but is still awaiting results of a scan so please pray for healing and ongoing treatment.

**Diane Reid** whose MRI scan has revealed a fractured heel in addition to her foot and a second sprained ligament. Pray for swift and complete healing.

**Christine Slack** for healing, inspiration and courage during chemotherapy.

**Kay Weir** whose long-term back problems continue to have a significant effect.

**John Ryan** as he awaits another scan in several months.

**ACE Ministries** for their Annual Conference that churches will be inspired and equipped to house the homeless and refugees.

**For peace in Ukraine**