



Wesley Hall

Crookes, Sheffield



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Palm Sunday 2nd April 2023

We hope you find a warm welcome, particularly if you are with us for the first time. All song words are projected onto the wall at the front or can be found in the books provided. Large print hymn books are available at the back of church along with separate printed sheets for songs that are not in the books.

Today's service

10:30am

Rev. Ian Bell

The steward on duty is Emma Irons

Good Friday 7th April 10:30am Rev. Mike Jones (at Walkley Ebenezer)

Easter Sunday 9th April 10:30am Deacon Annabel Terry (Holy Communion by Extension)

Sunday 16th April 10:30am Local Arrangement

Sunday 23rd April 10:30am Rev. Mike Jones

THIS WEEK

❖ Worship in the Building – COVID Precautions

- Please be considerate of those who wish to maintain social distancing and ask before sitting close to somebody.
- We are not passing the offering plate around, but there is one on the hatch where we serve tea/coffee. Please make use of it if you have brought an offering with you today.

❖ Circuit Prayer Gathering: 'Marching Forward Through March'

The Circuit Prayer Gathering will be taking place this Wednesday from 8pm to 9pm via Zoom and all are welcome:

<https://zoom.us/j/94411865948?pwd=R200cHBZSk1kNmErcTZRcWZXRmdVUT09>

Meeting ID: 944 1186 5948 Passcode: 999757

(Telephone connection: 020 3481 5237)

❖ Arise – Good Friday Prayer Walk

The Arise network are organising prayer walks on Good Friday from various locations into Sheffield City Centre, meeting at the Town Hall Cross for a short outdoor service at 12pm.

The closest meeting point to us is at 10:30am at Weston Park (by the bandstand, S10, What3Words: degree.smashes.rank).

COMING SOON

❖ Church AGM

We will be holding our AGM after our worship on *Sunday 23rd April*. It will be an opportunity to hear from our lay workers, feedback on where we are now, and look at future plans. The meeting is open to everyone, whether you are a member or not, so please put the date in your diary.

❖ **Stitching the Sheffield Methodist District Justice Quilt Project**

We are looking for volunteers to help to hand stitch the braiding on the patchwork. A room has been arranged at Millhouses church on *Monday 17th April* from 9:30am to 3:30pm. Tea and coffee provided, but please bring sandwiches. Thimbles, needles and thread will also be provided. Look forward to seeing you!

❖ **How to be a Just Church in an Unjust World**

Join us on *Saturday 22nd April*, starting at 9:30am, for a day of learning, sharing and worship with a buffet lunch provided. It will provide an opportunity for you to renew existing connections across the District and to meet new people. We will also be unveiling the Justice Quilt. Within the District Gathering we will hold the life of Methodism across our district in prayer, renew our relationship with our wider Connexional church, and make any formal decisions required of us as a district — the work of the representative synod.

Revd Jill Marsh, Connexional Inclusive Church Implementation Officer, will lead us in looking at the question "What does it mean to be a Justice Seeking Church?". There will be several "How To .." groups that will offer practical suggestions and advice about how your church can be a church like that! These will include:

- Turn Vision into Action: Introducing Faith Rooted Organising — led by Deacon Kerry Scarlett, part of the Methodist Learning Network West Midlands team
- Act Justly with Money — led by Rosie Venner, programme manager at the JustMoney Movement
- Influence your MP — led by Roo Stewart, a member of the Joint Public Issues Team
- Become a Church of Sanctuary — led by Revd Inderjit Bhogal
- Become more accessible — led by Maria Brown and Beth Wright from Mencap
- Hold an "Ask Me Anything" conversation — led by Revd Jill Marsh — How to create a safe space to hear from 'Experts By Experience'.

There will also be a Market Place where you can to explore other ways in which you can help to work towards a more just world and purchase resources, so don't forget to bring your purse/wallet!

Book now at <https://230422-JustChurch.eventbrite.co.uk> (registration will close on Wednesday 12th April).

EASTER SERVICES

Good Friday 7 th April	10:30am	Good Friday Service (at Walkley)
	2:30pm	Good Friday Garden Service (at Totley Rise)
Easter Sunday 9 th April	9:30am	Easter Breakfast
	10:30am	Easter Morning Holy Communion

❖ **Holy Week**

We won't be having services at Wesley Hall during Holy Week, but all are invited to join our friends from Dore and Totley Rise. There will be a series of quite reflective services at Dore Methodist Church, *Monday 3rd to Wednesday 5th April*, from 4.30pm to 5.00pm.

❖ **Easter Breakfast**

Easter Breakfast is back! We have invited our friends from Walkley Ebenezer to join us for breakfast on Easter morning at 9:30am. All are welcome. No need to book; just come along, as we share breakfast together before our service of Holy Communion.

CHILDREN & FAMILIES / YOUTH

- Dates for your diary: Stay & Play on *Saturday 6th May*; Easter Holiday club, run jointly with St Tim's, on *Monday 3rd and Tuesday 4th April*.
- At the end of our holiday club (*Tuesday 4th April*) parents come along to see what their children have been doing and we offer them a piece of cake. If you would like to bake a cake/ cupcakes for this, please speak to Neil to let him know.
- Also during the holiday club, we will be doing some junk modelling; so if you have any cardboard boxes, toilet/kitchen roll tubes, plastic food containers that might otherwise have gone in the rubbish/recycling, then please bring them in. Neil is in the office Tuesday to Thursday, or drop them off on Sunday.

PRAYER POINTS

- ❖ Please pray for those known to us who are ill or recovering from surgery.
- ❖ Please pray for all those who have suffered in the Turkey-Syria Earthquake and for all those people and organisations that are assisting in the rescue missions.
- ❖ Please pray for Andrea and Mercy Ships as surgery gets underway on the new ship.
- ❖ Please continue to pray for a resolution to the war in Ukraine, that peace may prevail.
- ❖ Please pray for Wesley Wigglers, which runs on a Thursday; we have had a number of new mums attend; please pray that they continue to come, and that Wigglers will continue to grow.

If you have any prayer points to include in the newsletter, please pass them on to the Editor (see contact details at bottom of page).