



Wesley Hall

Crookes, Sheffield



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Sunday 8th December 2019

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. Sally Coleman (Holy Communion)**
The stewards on duty are Andrew & Carole Gray

Sunday 15th December *10:30am* *TRIBE Nativity*
Sunday 22nd December *10:30am* *Rev. Sally Coleman (Carol Service)*
Sunday 29th December *10:45am* *United Service (at Walkley) Mrs. Sue Stanworth*

THIS WEEK

❖ We Are Recruiting!

We are now advertising for a part time (22 hours a week) Families and Community Co-ordinator to cover Jacque's maternity leave. Please pass this on to anyone you know who might be interested and pray that God will provide the right person for this post.

❖ Advent Course

Preparing for Christmas is of course always a big task, there seems so much to be done, and it is easy to lose the reason for the season amongst the festivities. With that in mind, I am offering an Advent Course, in the same pattern that I have previously offered Lent courses. The first is on Monday afternoons at 2pm in the Antioch room continuing this *Monday 9th December*, the second at my Manse (8 Reservoir Road) on Friday evenings at 7:30pm continuing this *Friday 13th December*. The theme will be "What's the story?" using the book by Barbara Glasson and Clive Marsh, the President and Vice-Presidents of the Methodist Conference. If you would like a copy it can be ordered from CLC bookshops in town, or other sources I am sure.

❖ Mary Tozer House Service in December - Change of Date

Our next service at Mary Tozer House will be held this *Thursday 12th December*. We start at 7:00pm with a short service followed by tea and coffee and a chat. All are welcome to come along.

❖ Christmas Messy Church

Messy Church is this *Saturday 14th December* from 10:00am to 12:00pm for families with younger primary age children. We will explore our Christmas theme through our usual mix of crafts, play and singing followed by a light lunch. All are welcome to come along and join in!

❖ Retro-gaming Café at Wesley Hall

Our Retro-gaming Café is back this *Saturday 14th December* from 2pm to 5pm. Come along and enjoy all the best consoles from the 1980s onwards, with a wide selection of classic games, as well as artisan coffee and themed activities for all the family. Admission is free and all are welcome; you are never too old or too young to game!

❖ University Gospel Choir Concert

The University of Sheffield Gospel Choir are holding their Christmas concert here at Wesley Hall on *Saturday 14th December* at 7:30pm. Entry is free and all proceeds will go to charity.

CHRISTMAS EVENTS...

Saturday 14 th December	10:00am	Christmas Messy Church
	2:00pm	Christmas Retrogaming Café
Sunday 15 th December	10:30am	TRIBE Nativity
Thursday 19 th December	7:30pm	Time Out from Tinsel
Sunday 22 nd December	10:30am	Carol Service
Christmas Day	9:30am	Christmas Morning Family Celebration
Sunday 29 th December	10:45am	Joint service with Walkley Ebenezer at Walkley

GOOD NEWS FROM SEAN

- ❖ **Drop Inn:** I would like to thank Brian, Judith, Steve, Andrea and Louise for their help at Drop Inn throughout the year so far. In the last few weeks it has been at its most successful and is attended by up to 75 young people! This has led to the upgrading and purchasing of various items for Drop Inn to help make the event even better and more successful for the coming weeks and months. This is an amazing thing to have in the Church and I am incredibly grateful to everyone and anyone that can help out. Therefore, if anybody is free on a Tuesday afternoon from 2:30-5ish, please contact Sean on 07401 980 794 or youth@wesleyhall.org.uk to help out :)
- ❖ **King Edwards:** In keeping with the development of the relationship Wesley Hall has with King Edwards School, and following a meeting with Cath Jackson (the Assistant Head), we would like to please make a request of the Wesley congregation. If anyone feels like they have an interesting life story or 'out of the ordinary' career, could they please contact Sean for more info on 07401 980 794 or youth@wesleyhall.org.uk. King Edward's School has a strong Personal, Social and Health Education Programme and would love to hear stories such as parishioners who may have lived through the war or an interesting background, career or childhood.
- ❖ **Thank you!** I would just like to say a quick thank you to everyone who has welcomed me, said hello, or helped me out in any way since starting at Wesley Hall. I am loving my time so far at Wesley Hall and can't wait to see what the New Year holds for me! Please keep me in your prayers on this journey as I will all of you, Kind regards, Sean.

COMING SOON

❖ Funeral of Brian Mills

Brian's funeral will take place at Grenoside Crematorium on *Monday 16th December* at 12:00pm. It will be followed by a service of thanksgiving here at Wesley Hall at 1:00pm.

❖ Time Out from Tinsel

A service of quiet and reflection led by Rev. Sally Coleman on *Thursday 19th December* at 7:30pm. A chance to reflect on the true meaning of the season, to pray, to meditate and relax in the presence of God's comfort and love.

❖ Christmas Youth Social

The Circuit are organising a Christmas Youth Social at 35 Chapel Walk on *Friday 20th December*. It takes place from 6pm and there will be food, drinks, games, art and films. It sounds like a truly great event and a perfect way to kick off your Christmas break! If anyone would like to go, please let Sean know and he will book you on (although he is not able to make it himself).

❖ **Family Film Show: The Secret Life of Pets 2**

We will be showing The Secret Life of Pets 2 here at Wesley Hall on *Friday 3rd January*. Doors open 2:30pm with the film beginning at 3:00pm, entry is just £1.50 per person and refreshments will be on sale. Everyone is welcome so if you know anyone who might be interested, please take a flyer from the back of church and invite them along! If you are able to help in the kitchen serving drinks and ice cream on the day, please see Matt.

PRAYER POINTS

❖ **Our Christmas Events & Services:** that they would all go well, and that people would be interested to come along and learn more about Jesus, the reason for the season

❖ **Room Hire:** We still have space in the Church Hall on a Thursday evening. Please pray that God would bring someone to us to hire this space

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).

AND FINALLY...

❖ **Christmas Fair**

A really big thank you to everyone who helped or came along to our Christmas Fair last week. The stalls were busy and we made £770, which is the almost exactly the same as last year!

❖ **Photo Board**

We have a photo board at the back of church with pictures of all of our Wesley Hall church family. If you are not on the board and would like to, please see Andrew Gray or Matt Irons. If you are not sure who they are, take a look at the board!

❖ **Bottle Tops-No More Thank You**

Thanks very much for all your donations of bottle tops. I have plenty to make a curtain now so please recycle/ dispose of them as you were before. Thank you very much :) Liz

❖ **Welcomers needed.**

At our recent church Away Day the importance of our "welcome" was discussed. Particularly for newcomers, the warmth of the welcome they receive is extremely likely to determine whether or not they return, and our regular congregation appreciate it too! We currently have vacancies on the team. Could you be a welcomer? If you could meet and greet people before the service on a Sunday morning please speak to Alison. If you are unable to make a regular commitment but would be willing to do an occasional duty, that would be helpful too. Please speak to Alison if you can help.