



Wesley Hall

Crookes, Sheffield



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Sunday 10th July 2016

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 services **10:30am** **Preacher** **Mrs. Sue Stanworth**
 6:00pm **Prayer Service**

The steward on duty today is Andrew Gray

<i>Sunday 17th July</i>	<i>10:30am</i>	<i>Rev. Claudia Lupi</i>
<i>Sunday 24th July</i>	<i>10:30am</i>	<i>Rev. Gareth Jones (Holy Communion)</i>
<i>Sunday 31st July</i>	<i>10:30am</i>	<i>Mrs. Jenny Carpenter</i>

THIS WEEK ...

❖ Circuit 'Farewell' Service - Sunday 10th July 6pm, Wisewood Methodist Church

The circuit will be saying goodbye to Rach Ward, Nel Shallow and Rob Drost, and showing support and appreciation for all the hard work and dedication they have given. Louise Grosberg will be leading the service and there will be refreshments afterwards. All are welcome to join.

❖ Leadership Team

The Wesley Hall Leadership Team meet monthly to pray, share ideas and plan/review church events. Their next meeting is tomorrow, *Monday 11th July*. Please pray for the meeting and let a member of the team know if there is anything that you would like to be discussed.

❖ Funeral for Mandy Boyce's Mum

This will take place this *Thursday, 14th July*. The committal will be at Intake at 2:30pm followed by a service at Wesley Hall at 3:15pm. Please come and join us in supporting Mandy if you're able to do so.

❖ Messy Church - 'The Young Hero and the Horrible Giant'

The next Messy Church is this *Saturday 16th July*, 10-11.30am. We will be exploring the story of David and Goliath. Come and help make a giant for our story time, make some prayer stones to throw at a Goliath skittle and a shield to remind us to trust in God, just as David did. Messier Church will also be running alongside Messy Church for children age 8+. Feel free to bring a friend! Both groups will join together at the end for our family worship and snack.

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COMING SOON...

❖ Circuit Welcome Service

There will be a Circuit Welcome Service here at Wesley Hall on *Thursday 8th September* at 7:30pm for Rev. Sally Coleman (our new Minister) and two probationers who will also be joining the Circuit. This is still a long way off but it would be great to see lots of people here so please put the date in your diary!

❖ Circuit Conference

The Saturday morning conference, 'Sheffield Circuit Shaped for Mission', is for our church communities and is designed to respond to mission-development needs identified through Church Reviews. It will take place at St Andrew's Psalter Lane on *Saturday 5th November* and each congregation will be invited to encourage a minimum of 2 representatives to attend. If you are interested in going along, please see Andrew Gray.

AND FINALLY...

❖ Can you help Tim?

As always, we need help with the youth activities at Wesley Hall, especially since we are trying to extend our youth work, and we seem to be prevented by the lack of volunteers to help start our "Study Inn". If you feel this is something you could help with, please add your name to the list at the back of church. Please see Tim if you have any questions about this.

❖ Co-operation with St Tim's and St Vincent's

After the Miracle Play with St Tim's and St Vincent's, there is a request to start a local "missionary" group. This group, made up of members from different churches, would come together and think about ways to undertake more activities between the three churches, such as: walking groups, drama (eg Miracle Play), music groups or anything else we can think of. The plans are very fresh and in the beginning stages but there is a lot to explore and this is a wonderful opportunity to step-in and shape something new in the Crookes area. Please speak to Tim for further details.

❖ Church Offering for June

Wesley Ebenezer Methodist Church is a registered charity number 1150284. As a registered charity, we are publishing the amount given to Wesley Hall on Sunday morning, at events, by standing order or via any other method. The amount given in June was £2,153.74; thank you for your generosity.

7 July 2016

The Methodist Church



The Revd Gareth J Powell
Secretary of the Conference
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Sisters and brothers in Christ,

I write to you from the Methodist Conference in order to act upon a resolution which it passed yesterday afternoon.

What follows is the text which the Conference agreed should be read in all our churches this coming Sunday, or as soon as is possible.

The statement is also shared on our website www.methodist.org.uk/nationallife where it can be turned into an email which will be automatically sent to your local Member of Parliament. The Conference also encourages the Methodist people to send this letter to their MP.

The Conference also encouraged the Methodist people to join the campaign to wear an empty safety pin as a badge symbolising solidarity against racism (please see www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-36661097 for details).

The 2016 Annual Conference of the Methodist Church passed a resolution containing the following text:

The United Kingdom, as a result of the referendum on 23 June 2016, has voted to leave the European Union. In this time of very significant change and uncertainty there is a need for leadership which seeks the common good and encourages people to work together, to respect one another and to uphold the dignity of all.

The Methodist Conference believes that the British Isles are enriched by diversity and celebrates the contribution made by those who have come from other parts of the world.

The Christian tradition calls for respect, tolerance, love of neighbour and hospitality to the stranger. All bear the responsibility of speaking and acting for healing, reconciliation, and mutual respect.

The Methodist Conference abhors and deeply regrets those actions and words which incite hatred and lead to the victimisation of groups within society and notes with concern that such actions and words have been normalised in recent public discourse. Believing that racism is a denial of the gospel and that to stay silent when others are abused is to collude with those who seek to promote hatred and division, the Methodist Conference calls:

- on the Methodist people to challenge racism and discrimination
- for a political debate which neither demonises any nor leaves the vulnerable (the foreigner, the immigrant and refugee) in danger of victimisation.
- on political leaders to work together for the good of the whole community putting the needs of the nation before party politics.
- on all those in positions of power and authority to hear the voices of those who have been marginalised and alienated and to respond to them in ways which offer real hope for the future.

With gratitude for our continued partnership in the gospel,

The Reverend Gareth J Powell
Secretary of the Methodist Conference