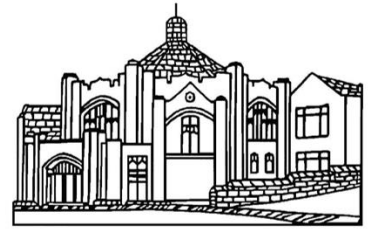




Wesley Hall

Crookes, Sheffield



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Sunday 10th September 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** **Louise Etherington**
The steward on duty is Jenny Jones

<i>Sunday 17th September</i>	<i>10:30am</i>	<i>Rev. Michelle Deans (Covenant Service)</i>
<i>Sunday 24th September</i>	<i>10:30am</i>	<i>Rev. Romeo Pedro</i>
<i>Sunday 1st October</i>	<i>10:30am</i>	<i>Rev. Michelle Deans (Harvest Festival/Parade Service)</i>

THIS WEEK

❖ A Big Welcome to Michelle Deans!

Attached to this Wesley Hall newsletter is Michelle's Minster's newsletter. She aims to produce two of these each month so we can see what is going on across her three churches and support everything that is going on with our prayers.

If you want to get in touch with Michelle, her number is 0114 229 4707 and email is michelle.deans@methodist.org.uk. Her day off will usually be a Friday, so please respect this.

❖ Circuit Prayer Gathering:

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)

❖ Messy Church Social

Instead of our regular Messy Church offerings in September we are having a Messy Church Social today *Sunday 10th September* from 2:00 – 4:00pm.

This will be a relaxed afternoon of catching up, hopefully getting to know a few new faces, Lego bible challenges, games and food.

We'd love to see any new or old faces, so please come along, bring a friend, take a flyer and invite someone.

If anyone is available to help on the day any extra hands on deck to help setup, pack down, make drinks, build Lego, etc it would very much be appreciated! Please let Jacque know.

COMING SOON

❖ Leadership Team

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

❖ Mental Health First Aid (MHFA) Training

Tim Jansen has been appointed as the Circuit Mental Health Co-ordinator and is running MHFA training courses which are available free to anyone within the Circuit. The course is spread across two days and is taking place on *Thursday 21st and Friday 22nd September, Thursday 12th and Friday 13th October and Thursday 9th and Thursday 16th November*, all from 9am to 4pm. They will take place at the Circuit Office, The Furnival, 199 Verdon Street, S3 9QQ. For more information or to book a place contact Tim on tim.jansen@sheffieldcircuit.org.uk

❖ Liz Harding is getting married!

Liz & Andy will be getting married at Greenhill Methodist Church on *Saturday 23rd September* at 12 noon, and anyone at Wesley Hall is very welcome to go to the service. It would be lovely to see you there. Love from Liz Harding and Andy Evans.

❖ Joint Churches Event Sunday 1st October

On *Sunday 1st October* from 2.30 to 4.30pm there will be a joint Churches event focusing on Harvest. It will be an opportunity to meet together, pray together and reflect on the environment. Please keep this in your prayers and mark it in your diary if you are free. Please contact Jacque for more details.

❖ Crookes Community Fayre

On *Sunday 8th October* from 11am to 3pm (at the same time as the next Crookes Street Market) the Crookes Forum are holding the first Crookes Community Fayre which will be at Wesley Hall. The idea is that local groups can have a table at the fayre and people can come along to find out about what is on offer in the area. Wesley Hall will have a table, so we are looking to find a few people that could cover it and chat those who are interested over the time period (a full range of flyers for all our events will be available to help!). Ideally, we could do with two people from 11am to 1pm, and then a different two people from 1pm to 3pm. If you are interested in helping out with this or have any questions, please see Matt.

AND FINALLY

❖ Successful Grant News

I am very pleased to say that we have received a £50,000 grant from Biffa Award for new boilers! This is the total amount required for the project and it is hoped that we be able to get them installed before the cooler winter weather arrives.

I am also very pleased to say that we have received a £2,000 grant from Sheffield Town Trust towards the car park. This means that we can now approach the Benefact Trust's Methodist Grants Programme for the remainder of the funds required.

A big thank you to both funders for their generous support. Matt.

❖ Drop Inn

Our Drop Inn will be returning on Tuesdays running after school until around 4pm. It would be great to get a few more helpers to come along (mainly to serve hot chocolate or ice cream). We

have a rota, so you don't need to commit to come every week, once a fortnight or once a month would still be really helpful! If you are interested or have any questions, please see Matt.

❖ **Southwest LAC Survey**

We have been awarded a grant of £1,000 from the Southwest Local Area Committee of the Council for our youth work, which is great news! Each Local Area Committee has a pot of money they can allocate to projects towards local priorities which they have identified. One of ways that they identify these priorities is through surveys, and we have been invited to take part in this process. If you would to help shape the future priorities of the area, please follow the link below to the survey.

<https://haveyoursay.sheffield.gov.uk/south-west-lac-community-survey>

❖ **David's Doodles**

During lockdown, I wrote weekly 'thoughts' and sent them by e-mail to people who had requested them. Towards the end of lockdown, over 160 people had chosen to receive them. Several people have asked me to consider starting these again. So, from September, I hope to produce 2 each month until the end of the year, and then review the situation!

- Sometimes a couple of paragraphs with images; but longer if I feel the issue requires it.
- I hope to link topical themes with living as a Christian in the world today.
- Initially these will be in the form of e-mails, but with the possibility of additionally developing as a blog.
- I hope my 'doodles' will be challenging; although I can't promise they will always follow a 'party line.'

If you would like to receive these 'doodles' between September and Christmas, please drop me an e-mail, and I will be delighted to add you to the list. djharris4@hotmail.com.

David Harris

PRAYER POINTS

- ❖ Please pray for those known to us who are ill, in hospital or recovering from surgery.
- ❖ Please pray for Rev. Michelle Deans as she takes over as our minister at Wesley Hall and for Rev Mike Jones as he moves on to have ministerial responsibility for the other churches in the Circuit.
- ❖ For our car park resurfacing project, that it would progress quickly, and that our application to the Benefact Trust's Methodist Grants Programme will be successful.
- ❖ Please continue to pray for a resolution to the war in Ukraine, that peace may prevail.
- ❖ For continued quick progress on employment of a joint youth worker.
- ❖ For the continued exploration of how we can use our building and location to reach out and serve the people of Crookes.

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).