



# Wesley Hall

## Part of Wesley Ebenezer Methodist Church

Minister: Rev. John Simms  
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Sundays 18<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> December 2011

And 1<sup>st</sup> January 2012

### We Welcome You to Worship Today

We hope you find a warm welcome, particularly if you are with us for the first time. If we don't manage to speak to you personally and you would like more information, please pick up a welcome card and leaflet.

All song words are projected onto the wall above the dais or can be found in the books provided. Separate song sheets are available at the back of church for any songs that are not in the hymn books.

**Sunday 18<sup>th</sup>  
December**

**10:30am**

**Preacher  
Worship Leader**

**Helen Hind  
Louise Etherington**

**6:00pm**

**Carol Service**

**Rev John Simms**

**The stewards on duty are Linda and Steve Wright**

**Christmas Day  
25<sup>th</sup> December**

**9:30am**

**Preacher**

**Rev John Simms**

**The steward on duty will be Pat Singleton**

**Sunday 1st  
January**

**10:30am**

**Preacher  
Worship Leader**

**Rev Catrin Harland (United Service)  
Emma Irons**

**The stewards on duty are Linda and Steve Wright**

**Sunday  
8<sup>th</sup> January**

**10.30am**

**Preacher**

**Rev John Simms**

**The Steward on duty will be Andrew Gray**

**6.00pm**

**Prayer Service**

**Rev John Simms**

**A HAPPY CHRISTMAS AND A PEACEFUL NEW YEAR TO  
YOU ALL**

### ❖ Advent Fayre

Approximately £819 was raised at last Saturday's Christmas Fayre. Many thanks to those who spent last Friday afternoon preparing for it and to those who helped on Saturday. Without us working as a team the fayre would not happen. Also a big thank you to Roy who gave his services free playing the accordion. Dorothy

At the Fayre £95.56 worth of Traidcraft was also sold together with £47 worth of CLEM goods. Thank you. Audrey

❖ **Christmas Services at Wesley Hall:**

- December 18<sup>th</sup>      10:30am    Mrs Helen Hind  
  6:00pm    Rev John Simms - Carol Service
- December 25<sup>th</sup>    9:30am    Rev John Simms-Christmas Day Celebration
- January 1<sup>st</sup>        10:30am    Rev Catrin Harland – Joint service with Walkley Ebenezer at Wesley Hall

❖ **Christmas Greetings from Andrea Killingsworth**

As I have done for the last few years I have purchased a gift from Christmas in lieu of sending Christmas cards to work and church folk. This year I have purchased bees are a lifeline. for farmers in Bolivia with the money they make from selling honey, they can buy food and clothes. Wishing you all a Happy Christmas and God's blessings in the New Year Andrea Killingsworth

❖ **New Giving Envelopes**

Giving envelopes to cover the whole of 2012 have now arrived and are at the back of church. Please collect your envelopes and if you have any questions (or would like to start give using the envelope scheme), please see Matt.

❖ **Sunday Centre at Victoria Hall**

The Sunday Centre was set up about 20 years ago by Inderjit Bhogal and provides a two course hot meal every week for about 70-80 vulnerable and homeless people in Sheffield. However, it only has enough funding to keep going until Easter at the latest. Open every Sunday from 1.30 -4.40 it provides tea, coffee & biscuits, a space to socialise, play snooker etc and a two course hot meal. Unlike the Cathedral Archer Project (which is not open on a Sunday) it has not been discovered by a Secret Millionaire, so is appealing for funds. Could your church help to save it from financial melt-down? If so, contact Pat Prescott at Victoria Hall 0114 272 1749 or email her via [REDACTED].

❖ **Church Office**

Matt is on holiday between Christmas and New Year so the church office will be closed from Thursday 29th December and reopen on Tuesday 3rd January 2012.

❖ **Fairtrade**

Audrey is hoping to have a table out in Wesley Hall foyer after church on 18th December for anyone wanting any last minute Fairtrade items.

❖ **WEADS Amateur Dramatic Society**

WEADS will be presenting the pantomime "Snow White" from Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> to Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> February 2012 at 7:15pm with a Saturday matinee at 2:15pm at Walkley Ebenezer. Tickets are priced £5 for adults and £3 for children and are available from Brian and Sue Mills.

❖ **X:Site**

X:site is for children in school years Y3-Y6, where they can learn about Jesus, have fun and games, bring their mates and listen to live music. It's held at Wesley Hall from 6pm-8pm on Saturdays: **21<sup>st</sup> January, 10<sup>th</sup> March, 28<sup>th</sup> April and 23<sup>rd</sup> June**. Entry is £2.50 and you can get further information from: [sheffield@xsiteuk.org](mailto:sheffield@xsiteuk.org) phone: [REDACTED]. <http://sheffield.xsiteuk.org>

## AND FINALLY...

### ❖ **Methodist World Mission**

Please bring in your collection box for counting to Gill Packett as soon as possible. Thanks.

### ❖ **Service at Mary Tozer House**

Our next service at Mary Tozer will be on **Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> January** from 7:00pm to 8:00pm. All are welcome to come and join us.

### ❖ **Men's Breakfast**

The next men's breakfast will be held on **Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> January** at 8.30am in the Church Hall. Please join us for a bacon and egg sandwich and a chat.

### ❖ **Coffee and Crafts**

Please note, there will be no more Coffee & Crafts sessions until **17<sup>th</sup> January**.

### ❖ **Basic Food Hygiene Course**

Lunch Club has obtained funding for up to 15 people to undertake a Basic Food hygiene Course. The training will take place at Agewell on Upperthorpe Road from 9.30am to 4.30pm on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> January. The course is a Nationally Regulated qualification with a certificate awarded on successful completion. If you are interested in attending please have a word with Steve Wright.

### ❖ **Update on Roof Repairs**

This week we learnt that our bid for funding to English Heritage for our roof repairs had yet again been unsuccessful. They had more bids than they had funding for and we were seen as less urgent than the successful ones. However, they say that we can re-apply again from 1<sup>st</sup> April. Subject to Church Council and/or Circuit approval we are also considering other ways to raise the money. Matt is looking at the possibility of grant aid from the National Churches Trust and other bodies. He is also speaking to the architect to see if the works can be phased to reduce the immediate expenditure. In order to stop the current leaks Matt is also asking a contractor to see if further temporary repairs can be made. We will keep you informed of developments as they occur.

The editor for the month of January is Matt Irons. Please place items for the newsletter in the pigeon hole (by Wednesday), send an e-mail to [newsletter@wesleyhall.org.uk](mailto:newsletter@wesleyhall.org.uk) or call Matt on [REDACTED].