



Wesley Hall

Crookes, Sheffield



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Sunday 21st February 2021

We are now holding our Zoom services every other week, with the dates of our next two service below. We invite you to explore the other worship options (these are available on the last page) on the weeks when we are not meeting via Zoom. Our Zoom services are also available to watch on YouTube. They are unlisted videos so are not available to people searching YouTube and can only be accessed using a direct link. If you would like the link, or would prefer a DVD or audio recording of the services, just ask Matt.

Zoom on Sunday 28th February	10:30am	Rev. Stephen Clark
Zoom on Sunday 14 th March	10:30am	John Wilkins

THIS WEEK

❖ Vine at Home

As usual, our home worship options are on the last page of the newsletter. The reflection in the Vine at Home service for this Sunday is by Rev. Dr. Catrin Harland.

❖ Rev. Steve Clark

Next week, our Sunday Zoom worship will be led by Rev. Steve Clark, who was Minister at Wesley Hall in the 1990s. He will be preaching on Habakkuk in his service and would like to encourage us to read the book beforehand (it is only 3 chapters!).

❖ 40 Acts

40 Acts started with a simple idea from Stewardship to commit to 40 days of giving out, not giving up over Lent, to put others before ourselves and to walk in the footsteps of Jesus and follow his call to love our neighbours. They are not sharing new acts this year, but since we have not followed this before, we will be sharing the links from last year (which means that some of them may need adapting in order to be COVID safe). Lent starts this Wednesday so links to the acts for this week are below (each Act has a green, amber and red suggestion, and each will take an increasing amount of time and/ or money):

Monday [5\) Shop Double](#)
Tuesday [6\) Best Day](#)
Wednesday [7\) You First](#)

Thursday [8\) Under the Weather](#)
Friday [9\) Pre-Paid](#)
Saturday [10\) Litter Bug](#)

❖ Dial-a-Prayer & Podcast

During lockdown we (the Methodist Church) heard that many people didn't have access to online services so we set up free phone lines that are updated on a Thursday with a new prayer and our podcast. We are delighted that nearly 6,000 people have used this service and would ask you to share the numbers with anyone you know who might not wish to use online services.

Listen to a prayer: 0808 281 2514
Listen to news: 0808 281 2478

COMING SOON

❖ Spring Harvest Home 2021

Spring Harvest will be an online only event again this year and tickets are available now! We'd love for you to join us, so please click [here](#) to book your place to access all the brilliant content on this year's theme 'Unrivalled: Why we worship'. Watch a brand new video from Abby to find out more [here](#).

Spring Harvest Home is far more than online teaching and worship. We're using a new platform to create the first Christian event of its kind in the UK. It's exciting, engaging, interactive, family-friendly and a brilliant shared experience! We're hopeful it will encourage you to worship, learn and laugh with fellow guests. You can watch live and on demand, ask questions and join discussions.

Book by the end of February, and you'll receive an exclusive digital *Spring Harvest Home* bundle at the start of March, from us to you. Plus, we'll also send you some unreleased content from *Spring Harvest Home*, after the event in May.

We're excited, and we can't wait for you to join us as we worship our unrivalled God together from the evening of Easter Sunday, 4th to 8th April.

❖ Calling All Potential Climate Activists

Is tackling climate change integral to your faith? Are you trying to reduce your church's and community's carbon footprint? Contact mission@sheffieldmethodist.org to join a district-wide conversation on how we respond to our climate crisis. You might want to join us at:

- Methodist Zero Carbon Group [fossil fuel divestment webinar](#) (7:30pm, Tuesday 16th February) featuring Sheridan Pengally, formerly of Trinity and Derbyshire North East circuits
- [JPIT Climate Sunday Coffee morning](#) (11:30am Thursday 18th February) to learn how to hold a Climate Sunday in your church.
- [Green Evangelism: what does climate justice have to do with sharing our faith?](#) (7pm Thursday 25th March) with Phoebe Parkin (Youth President), Holly Adams and Elaine Heath.
- Sheffield ecumenical [Eco Church celebration](#) Saturday 12th June) – details to follow – please save the date

And you might be interested in Climate Stewards a new tool to measure your church's carbon footprint, sponsored by Eco Church.

Neil Harland, Jenny Carpenter, Rev Paul King

AND FINALLY

❖ Fundraising for MHA Care Homes

Jonathan Buckley, the Circuit Youth and Children's Project Co-ordinator, is raising money to support MHA care homes in Sheffield. Their staff would love to be able to buy some more robotic cats and dogs and other activity based equipment for their dementia residents here in South Yorkshire. Each one costs around £100 each and every penny donated will go towards buying some for homes local to us. He has set up a JustGiving page where you can donate or get some more information which can be found at www.justgiving.com.

❖ **Body Shop at Home**

I am a consultant for The Body Shop at Home and would love your support with my new venture! The Body Shop uses community fair trade ingredients and all are cruelty free. I love the products and use them myself so can highly recommend them. If anyone would like a catalogue I will post one out to you, please email me with your postal address:

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PRAYER POINTS

- ❖ For our church and Leadership Team as we explore the possibility of having a Community Chaplain to support and engage with all the people who use our building (when it is not closed due to COVID).
- ❖ For our church, community, country and the world as we deal with and respond to the coronavirus pandemic.
- ❖ For Lunch Club as we look to the future and try to keep in touch with our members.
- ❖ For our grant application for £15,000 to the Culture Recovery Fund for Heritage, which was submitted this week. And also for our grant application for £10,000 to the Harry Bottom Charitable Trust which was submitted before Christmas but from whom we have not yet heard back.

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).

SUNDAY WORSHIP

Today we, along with most churches, will not be worshipping in our church buildings, but in our own homes. Below are a number of options (in no particular order) to help us to do this:

❖ Vine at Home Service

Along with this newsletter, there should also be a separate attachment called 'Service 1 (Vine)'. This is a short service that can be used at home and includes prayers, a reflection and songs (that can be played via the embedded YouTube links).

❖ Methodist Church in Britain Worship at Home

Along with this newsletter, there should also be a separate attachment called 'Service 2 (Methodist)'. This is a short service that can be used at home and includes prayers, a reflection and songs (that can be played via the embedded YouTube link).

❖ Wesley's Chapel - Livestream

Wesley's Chapel in London is live-streaming worship, adapted for a non-physical congregation, at 9:45am and 11am today. The YouTube link for the stream is:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCUAUqhmhevz5sqhh72LIMxA>

❖ Methodist Central Hall, Westminster - Livestream

The team at Methodist Central Hall are providing live worship via their YouTube channel at 11.00am every Sunday. Alternatively you can watch again online at a time convenient to you. Just click on this link: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCn9TkFzl-gk--V3JapCS0sQ> or type "methodist central hall Westminster youtube channel" into your search engine and it should pop up. The service is between 45 mins and an hour.

❖ Sheffield Methodist Circuit Streamed Services

[Victoria Hall](#)

[Greenhill Methodist Church](#)

[Coal Aston Methodist Church](#)

[St Paul's Methodist Church, Dronfield](#)

[St Andrew's Psalter Lane Church](#)

[Carterknowle Methodist Church](#)

[Totley Rise Methodist Church](#)

[Stocksbridge Christian Centre](#) (as Part of the Cornerstone Mission Partnership)

[Christ Church Stocksbridge](#)

[Stephen Hill Methodist Church](#)

[St Andrew's Gosforth Valley](#)

[Church of Christ, Darnall](#)

[Victoria Stafford Road](#)

We will endeavour to continue to offer a variety of home worship options each week. If you come across a good one, please send it to the newsletter account.