



Wesley Hall

Crookes, Sheffield



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Sunday 21st May 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** **Rev. Mike Jones (Parade Service)**

The steward on duty is Andrew Gray

Sunday 28th May *10:30am* *No service at Wesley Hall (please see below)*

Sunday 4th June *10:30am* *Andrew Maxfield*

Sunday 11th June *10:30am* *David Harris (followed by Big Lunch)*

We are not passing the offering plate around during worship, but there is one on the hatch where we serve tea/ coffee. Please make use of it if you have brought an offering with you!

THIS WEEK

❖ Welcome!

A special welcome to the Rainbows, Brownies and their families who join us this morning for a Parade Service. We very much look forward to seeing what they have prepared!

❖ 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

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COMING SOON

❖ Cliff Festival 2023

Cliff Festival 2023 runs from *Friday 26th – Monday 29th May* at Cliff College in Derbyshire. Expect morning and evening worship and Bible teaching, seminars, games and activities for people of all ages, opportunities to be reenergised and resourced for mission – and all in the stunning surrounds of the Peak District. The theme this year is Eden Restored and the morning bible studies will be led by Dr Ruth Valerio. Other contributors will be announced shortly and closer to the event the programme will be available on the Cliff College website. They run excellent youth and children's work provision for children aged 2 and upwards.

There is the option to visit for the day as well as buying a ticket for the whole weekend (entry is free to all under 18s). Day passes are £22 for adults or £15 for concessions (65 or over/ students/

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living with a disability or on benefits). We won't be having a service here at Wesley Hall on *Sunday 28th May*, so that would be a great opportunity to come and see what it is like!

Come for the day or bring your tent (like the Irons family) and stay for the weekend. Visit www.cliffcollege.ac.uk/cliff-festival to find out more and book.

If you are not able make it to Cliff Festival, Wendy Cartwright is preaching at Walkley Ebenezer (service at 10:45am) that Sunday.

❖ **Same-Sex Marriage - Living with Contradictory Views in the Church**

All who are connected to the congregation of Wesley Hall Methodist Church are welcome to come and share in this open meeting on *Monday 5th June*, from 7:00pm – 9:00pm, in the Sanctuary.

The congregation at Wesley Hall has a range of views about whether we should register to allow Same-Sex Marriage in our church. This means that whatever decision the Church takes on this issue, some will disagree with it. At this meeting everyone from the church is invited to come together to consider:

- how we make decisions as Christian people;
- how committed Christian people can come to opposite views;
- how we live with these different views in the church.

If you would like further information about the meeting, please contact Rev. Mike Jones.

The Church Council will meet separately, later in June, to decide whether Wesley Hall will register its building for Same-Sex Marriage or not.

❖ **Big Lunch 2023**

The Big Lunch is back and we will again be inviting our neighbours to join us for a BBQ on *Sunday 11th June*, so please take a flyer and invite people to come along! If you would like to be involved, there are plenty of things to do, so please tick what you are interested in helping with on the sheet at the back of church so we know everything is covered. You are welcome to help with more than one thing if you would like to!

Set Up: arrive early on the day and set up room with chairs, tables etc.

Welcome: float in entrance/ Church Hall to welcome people

Serving: preparing and serving food to those come

Pack Up: stay to clear up and pack everything away

Thanks very much for all your help and support for this important community event.

❖ **Prayer Meeting**

There is always plenty going on at Wesley Hall which would benefit from prayer, and we are also looking to the future in a number of areas as well. We will never succeed in any of these endeavours under our own strength, so we need to take it all to God in prayer to ask for His guidance, wisdom and strength.

All are welcome to our first Wesley Hall prayer Zoom from 7:30pm to 8:30pm on *Thursday 15th June*. The hope is that this will become a monthly prayer meeting where we can hold all we do as a church, all those who share our building, and all current and future plans in prayer.

<https://zoom.us/j/91641382225?pwd=aUxZdG5uSXZBSWtLQ0FDcmR2OTU3QT09>

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CHILDREN & FAMILIES / YOUTH

- There is a new Tribe rota at the back of the church. Please put your names down if you are able to help out!
- At Toddler Group we had a Teddy Bears' Picnic to raise money for Christian Aid. We named a Teddy and had a cake sale and raised £70.15. Thank you to everyone who helped on the day or baked cakes.

AND FINALLY

❖ Joseph Gray - Leeds Half Marathon for Charity

On *Sunday 14th May*, Joseph ran his first half marathon with a time of 2:12:47. He was fundraising for the 'Bodie Hodges Foundation' and donations are still very welcome. Please use the link below, especially if you're able to Gift Aid your donation; alternatively, see any member of the Gray family. Thank you!

https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/joe-gray03?utm_source=copyLink&utm_medium=fundraising&utm_content=joe-gray03&utm_campaign=pfp-share&utm_term=65c6444da2174d819c70aa97bf7dc729

❖ Baby Grand Piano Free to Good Home

We have received the following message: "How are you doing? I am looking to give away my late husband's Yamaha baby grand piano to a passionate instrument lover, so please let me know if you will take it or have someone who will care for it." If you, or anyone you know are interested, please see Matt who will put you in touch to find out more.

❖ Gift Day 2023

Our Gift Day (towards our work with children, families and young people) this year was on *Sunday 23rd April*, but we are very happy to accept gifts at any time by cash, cheque, bank transfer, standing order, or online (www.stewardship.org.uk), but please make it clear that your donation is for Gift Day. Gifts are welcome as a one-off on or around the Gift Day, or spread over the year on a quarterly, monthly or weekly basis. If you have any questions about Gift Day, please contact Matt Irons.

PRAYER POINTS

- ❖ Please pray for those known to us who are ill, in hospital or recovering from surgery
- ❖ For the property projects to do with the heating system and car park, that they would progress quickly and fundraising applications would be successful
- ❖ Please continue to pray for a resolution to the war in Ukraine, that peace may prevail.
- ❖ Thank you for Wesley Wigglers, for the growth of the group and for all those who are coming along
- ❖ For upcoming meetings about the future of youth work and mission at Wesley Hall
- ❖ 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).