



Wesley Hall

Crookes, Sheffield



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Sunday 21st October 2018

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** **Mrs. Sue Stanworth**
The steward on duty is Andrew Gray

Sunday 28st October *10:30am* *Mr. Michael Cooper* *(Service of Remembrance)*

Sunday 4th November *10:45am* *Mrs. Wendy Cartwright* *(Holy Habits United Service at Walkley)*

Sunday 11th November *10:30am* *Rev. Sally Coleman* *(Holy Communion)*
6:00pm *Prayer Service*

THIS WEEK...

❖ The Bible Course

We'll be continuing 'The Bible Course' this Thursday 25th October. This is the Bible Society's overview of the whole Bible. It is an 8 session accessible and interactive course that will enhance and inform your ongoing Bible study, whether you are new to the Bible or want to go deeper. Using a unique storyline, the course shows how the key events, books and characters all fit together. You'll get to see the BIG picture and discover how the Bible applies to your life. We will start with a hot drink at 7:50 pm for an 8pm start and will meet in the Antioch Room. Everyone is welcome.

❖ Wesley Hall Lunch Club

Wesley Hall Lunch Club continues to meet each Thursday at about 12noon in the church hall and have a wholesome two course meal cooked on the premises, followed by tea or coffee. The cost is £4.00. Also, before Christmas we are planning 3 free sessions of Tai-Chi, which can be done sitting down, to take place before we have lunch. If you are interested in coming to lunch club or know of anyone else who would like to come, please have a word with Jim or Steve.

❖ Circuit Drama Production: 'That Man Dan'

THAT MAN DAN is an exciting, new, never before performed drama with music all about the story of Daniel. Rehearsals are well underway and tickets are now being sold (adults £8, children £5). The performances will take place at Millhouses Methodist Church on 25th-27th October at 7.30pm. Please come along and bring all your friends and family. Feel free to take a flyer from the back of church, see Liz Jenkinson for further details or ring John and Glynis Smith on 0114 2351852.

COMING SOON...

❖ Christmas Craft & Gift Fair

Following a successful event last year, our Christmas Craft & Gift Fair will be on Saturday 24th November from 10am to 2pm. As before, we are selling stalls to local crafters/ small businesses (but still keeping a few of our own) and a good number have already been taken. On top of this, we are hoping to run a café serving cake, drinks and light lunches in the Church Hall and have a few simple kids activities. Last year we were joined by the Sheffield Model Collectors Club who provided a display of models on the raised area at the front of the Sanctuary. They are not available this year and it would be nice to include something similar, so please have a think and see if you can come up with an alternative. If you would like to help out on the day (or part of the day), can bake cakes, or have ideas for stalls, alternative entertainment or other things to do, please see Matt. Otherwise, please take some flyers away and let people know about it!

❖ Christmas Quiz Fundraiser

The Parson Cross Initiative presents their Christmas Quiz Fundraiser. This will be from 6:30pm to 9:30pm on Saturday 1st December at Mount Tabor (S5 8NJ). If you are interested, please call 0114 281 5779 or search Eventbrite for 'PXI Fundraising Quiz'.

❖ Messy Church & Holy Habits Training Day

On *Saturday 2nd February 2019* we have booked Lucy Moore (founder of Messy Church) and Andrew Roberts (author of Holy Habits) to lead an integrated Messy Church and Holy Habits Circuit Training Day at Greenhill Methodist Church, with the timings of the day currently pencilled in for 10am-4pm. More details later.

CHILDREN, FAMILIES & COMMUNITY...

- ❖ **IMPORTANT** The next Funday is Friday 2nd November and booking is now open. The link to book is on the Wesley Hall website under events or via <https://goo.gl/forms/y09dOw5FH0eRjTAS2>. For the Funday we will need people to trace and cut out felt animal shapes (& animal tracks from paper) so if you're interested/able to help with that please let Jacque know.
- ❖ **Wesley Wigglers** has moved to Wednesdays during term time. This is a baby group for pre-toddling babies at 2pm-3:30pm.
- ❖ **3Generate** is the Methodist Annual Youth event and this year it's on 23rd-25th November. They are looking for people who are able to volunteer and still need 150 more volunteers. If you would like to do this, there is a volunteer briefing as part of their recruitment process and there are a choice of dates for this in October and November. For more information go to: <https://www.methodist.org.uk/our-work/our-work-in-britain/3generate/volunteering/>.

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Student Chaplain	Rev Catrin Harland	07597 673 106	Building Manager	Matt Irons	0114 267 9040
Families & Community	Jacque Ryan	07412 124 310	facebook	wesleyhallcrookes	

FROM SALLY...

Dear Friends,

It seems like a long time since I have sat and written for the newsletter and so much has been happening. Not only have we entered the Methodist New Year with our annual Covenant Service, but we have also welcomed Bethan, Benjamin and Joseph into membership, and I hope that like me you were inspired by their stories and moved by having them serve communion to us all.

We have also begun participating in the Holy Habits Programme, and I know that the House Group that meets at Dorothy and Jim White's house have been using the material in their studies, and I am sure that you have noticed the emphasis on the topic of prayer both in the Newsletter, and in our Services as well as prayers around the building (have you seen the one on the office door? If not stop and look and pray for the work of Matt, Jacque and Tim).

In November we begin a new Holy Habit Topic looking at Gladness and Generosity, in keeping with the run up to Christmas we look at the topic of generosity in the light of the One who gave himself for us as we celebrate the birth of Jesus. Also, during this time, we will be introduced to the work of the Parson Cross Initiative (PXI), who we will be supporting with shoebox hampers; please see the leaflet for the foodstuffs needed in the hampers. In addition, if anyone has made knitted goods such as scarves, or wants to donate small toys then these can be collected too, just not put in the hampers. Jonathan Buckley from PXI will be coming to our service on the 18th November to share with us about this important work.

Lastly a date for your diary, if anyone is aware that they need a renewed DBS Check, I will be available in the office on Monday 29th October between 10am and 12pm, you will need photo ID, two items with your address (bank statement/ utility bill) and your NI Number.

Peace and blessings

Sally (Reverend Sally Coleman)

AND FINALLY...

❖ Shoebox Appeal

This year we will be supporting the PXI (Parson Cross Initiative) Christmas Hamper Appeal and Reverse Advent Calendar. The hamper appeal asks for donations of Christmas food items (see leaflet for more details) to be put in a wrapped shoebox and then covered with cellophane to make them look like a hamper. These then need to be back at Wesley Hall by 1st December so they can be given out to users of the PXI Food Bank in time for Christmas. If anyone has any empty shoe boxes, please bring them to church and Margaret Gray will be happy to wrap them. And if anyone would like to fill a decorated box, there will be some available to take away. From 1st December onwards, we are also encouraging people to take part in the PXI Reverse Advent Calendar Appeal. This is where you add an item into a box or bag each day in Advent and then donate it all to the PXI Food Bank (see leaflet for more details). If you would like to find out more about the work of the PXI, Jonathan Buckley will be here at our All Age Worship service on Sunday 18th November to tell us all about it!

❖ Eb Tidings

The Walkley Ebenezer monthly magazine, Eb Tidings, has changed! It is now a little shorter, but published every two weeks. We will endeavour to have a printout of the latest version at the back of church, but if you would like to receive it directly by email, please contact Sue Stanworth at sue.stanworth@gmail.com.

❖ Harvest Gifts

Thank you to everyone who donated gifts of food and money to the Victoria Hall Sunday Centre. We would also like to thank Gerry's Bakery in Walkley, for providing the lovely bread sheaf displayed on the altar.

❖ Holy Habits

The Holy Habits programme has now started, and we are thinking about prayer for September and October. We hope that everyone will join together to pray on a Tuesday evening for church and our community. Below is a prayer for us to use and each month we will have a theme to focus on. The theme for this month is our work with older people, thinking particularly of Lunch Club and the monthly service at Mary Tozer.

Jesus, You are mighty, You have done so much in our lives which we thank you for. As we pray this evening as one church, but each in our homes, we ask for You to reveal Your way forward for us as a church. May Your will be done, not what we desire. May we go boldly into the future You have for us. to serve You, our community and each other. We thank you for the ways You have led us as a church so far. Let us not forget that challenges will come but we can do all things in Your love. Amen.

Please sign up on the list at the back of church if you would like us to order a copy of the Holy Habits book (cost under £10) for you to keep and refer to, as we will be using it as a basis for our worship over the next two years.

❖ Flower Rota

The flower rota still has lots of spaces. If you could possibly contribute in this way, please add your name to the list at the back of church and then give your donation to Sue Mills, Pat Wright or Louise Etherington a week or two before your chosen date.