



Wesley Hall

Crookes, Sheffield



www.wesleyhall.org.uk

Wesley Hall Methodist Church is a registered charity number 1150284

Sunday 23rd March 2025

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. Romeo Pedro

The steward on duty is Amy Huntley

<i>Sunday 30th March</i>	<i>10:30am</i>	<i>Louise Etherington</i>
<i>Sunday 6th April</i>	<i>10:30am</i>	<i>Rev. Michelle Deans</i>
<i>Sunday 13th April</i>	<i>10:30am</i>	<i>Brian Jones</i>

❖ Liturgy for this 3rd week of Lent:

Give us this day our daily bread to give our soul rest.

In a fast-paced world that seems never to rest or sleep,
in an internet world of immediate response...

Give us this day our daily bread to give our soul rest.

Let us find that calm centre, that stillness and rest,
that moment of comfort, refreshment and peace...

Give us this day our daily bread to give our soul rest.

To find meaning and purpose, to see the way forward,
with you as our pillow in the moment of tiredness.

O Lord our God, on this Lenten journey,

let us rest in the knowledge of your peace and your calm. Amen.

(The Soul Food bible study this week has contributions from Oscar Siu (local lay pastor from North Kent) and Matt Forsyth (District & Mission Enabler from Peterborough). The Soul Food campaign is an invitation wherever we are at, to feed not only our bodies, but our hearts, minds and souls this Lent, enriching and seasoning ourselves with God's love for us. The video is 13 minutes and can be found by following this link:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fu1MNyLa10M>)

This Lent, the Methodist Church has put together 40 daily deliveries of spiritual nourishment, which can be delivered to your email inbox each day. These include a variety of content including bible studies, craft videos, recipe videos, magazine video shows etc. To sign up for these emails, go to <https://www.methodist.org.uk/for-churches/soul-food/>

Minister Michelle Deans 0114 229 4707
Centre Manager Matt Irons 0114 267 9040

Families Jacque Ryan 07412 124 310
Youth Jason Colley 07865 778 319

THIS WEEK

❖ Circuit Prayer Gathering

The Circuit Prayer Gathering will be taking place as usual *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)

❖ Arise: Sheffield – March 2025

We are half way through Arise:March (the city-wide prayer-walking initiative where believers across Sheffield come together to pray for our city). So far:

- 1,236 prayer walks have been completed;
- 536 Arisers have taken part in prayer-walking;
- an amazing 2,364km has been covered in prayer.

Throughout March, Christians across Sheffield aim to cover every street in prayer, seeking transformation and blessings for our communities. Prayer-walking is simply “prayer on the move”. You can start by inviting God to be with you on your walk, and bringing to Him the streets, houses, and people you see along your way. If you struggle with the walking aspect of the prayer-walk, maybe you could earmark a couple of streets and pray over them from home, using a map. There is an app for those of you with smartphones where you can upload which streets you have prayed over, and watch the streets light up.

Please do have a look on the Arise website <https://www.arisesheffield.org> for more information or to find local prayer-walks near to you. You may feel more comfortable prayer-walking on your own or maybe ask a Christian friend/s to accompany you and go out in a group.

Finally, from 17th March to 17th April, buses in Sheffield will display an Easter message in the lead up to Easter Sunday. So far, over 30 bus banners have been sponsored. Watch out and pray for the Easter Mission Campaign.

COMING SOON

❖ Coffee Morning

Our coffee mornings are held on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month. They are an informal drop-in, open to all, and are held in the sanctuary. Please pop into Wesley Hall for a coffee/tea if you're around between 10:00am and 11:30am, and why not bring a friend.

❖ Bernard Newbound

Several of us will remember Bernard and Mary Newbound, who were members of the church for many years. Bernard died recently, and his funeral will be at 12.30pm on *Thursday 3rd April* at Hutcliffe Wood Crematorium, followed by a gathering at The Punch Bowl on Crookes.

❖ Membership

We are delighted that Anne Wilkinson has decided to become a member at Wesley Hall. She is going to be received into membership in a special service on *Sunday 6th April*, led by Michelle. If anyone else would like to take the step of becoming a member at Wesley Hall, please speak with Michelle or let anyone on the Leadership team know. There's no formal course that you need to attend - Michelle will merely have a chat with you. It would be lovely to see the church membership grow!

Minister Michelle Deans 0114 229 4707
Centre Manager Matt Irons 0114 267 9040

Families Jacque Ryan 07412 124 310
Youth Jason Colley 07865 778 319

❖ **TRIBE Helpers**

We are absolutely delighted that the March to May TRIBE rota has a leader every week, but it would be really great to fill-in the second person in the rota as well. It can be a bit tricky to find someone on the day (which is what currently happens most weeks) and we'd love to have a full rota. TRIBE needs two adults (partly just for safeguarding, but it's also really helpful), but the second person role requires no preparation work, and just involves going down with TRIBE. We are so blessed with a really vibrant group of young people, and it's a lovely opportunity to get to know them a bit more too. If you are able to cover even just one or two Sundays, please email Jacque on families@wesleyhall.org.uk.

CHILDREN & FAMILIES

- Stay & Play is on *Saturday 26th April* from 10am to 12pm, aimed mostly at preschool and primary-aged families, but all families are welcome. We're highlighting this now as it tends to be a very busy event, and we need all-hands-on-deck! If you're able to help on the day (the main things are helping in the kitchen and just talking to people) please let Jacque know.
- The next Funday (which we run jointly with St Tim's) is on *Saturday 12th April* - this time it'll be at St Tim's. If you're able to volunteer, please talk to Jacque. If you'd like to come along, put the date in your diary and maybe invite a friend. More details to come nearer the time.
- Date for the diary - Messy Church is on *Saturday 10th May* from 10am to 12pm.

AND FINALLY...

❖ **Church Flowers**

There is a list on the notice board at the back of the sanctuary for anyone who might be willing to contribute towards the flowers for our worship area for any particular week over the coming year. It costs anything from a couple of pounds to £20 each week, dependent on the season, but any donation is gratefully received. We do try and supplement with flowers and greenery from the church garden and our own gardens when possible. The Korean church also makes contributions to the flower fund each year. If you would like to remember a particular person or mark an occasion, we could also include that in the prayers of intercession or in the weekly notices. You might like to arrange the flowers yourself or give the money to Louise or Betty, telling them if you'd like any specific flowers or colours, and they or Sue or Liz will arrange them on your behalf.

❖ **New Church Bibles**

As some of you may have gathered, we have moved towards reading from the New Revised Standard Version of the Bible in our services. We have now purchased a number of copies for use by the congregation. If you wish to follow along with the readings, then please take one from the bookshelf at the back of church. They are on the second row down.

❖ **Ben Gray – Running for Charity**

Today, Ben & Joseph Gray are running the Sheffield half marathon to raise money for HFT – a charity which supports learning-disabled adults. This is the furthest Ben has run so far. If you feel able to donate, please do so via his [Just Giving page](#), or see Margaret Gray.

Minister	Michelle Deans	0114 229 4707
Centre Manager	Matt Irons	0114 267 9040

Families	Jacque Ryan	07412 124 310
Youth	Jason Colley	07865 778 319

PRAYER POINTS

- ❖ Please pray for Wesley Hall Youth (WHY), that more young people might be led to attend.
- ❖ For more volunteers to help at Drop Inn.
- ❖ For new users to boost our room hire income and help meet our running costs this year.
- ❖ For the continued exploration of how we can use our building and location to reach out and serve the people of Crookes.
- ❖ Please pray that the dry rot works will be successful, and the dry rot will not return.