



Wesley Hall

Crookes, Sheffield



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Sunday 24th February 2019

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 services **10:30am** **Preacher** **Mrs. Sheila Lomas**
6:00pm-7:00pm **Stay and Pray-Prayer at Home (see below)**
The steward on duty is Jenny Jones

Sunday 3rd March *10:30am* *Rev. Sally Coleman (Holy Communion)*
Sunday 10th March *10:45am* *United Service at Walkley*
6:00pm *Prayer Service, Rev Sally Coleman*
Sunday 17th March *10:30am* *Local Arrangements-All Age Worship*

THIS WEEK...

❖ Stay and Pray

To complement our Prayer Service on the second Sunday of each month, we also hold Stay and Pray on the fourth Sunday of the month. The idea is that people spend some time between 6:00pm and 7:00pm praying at home. Although we will not be meeting together face to face, we will be praying together in our homes.

❖ Lent Course

This year, Sally is running a Lent course which is based upon the film, "The Greatest Showman", and looks at themes of hope and redemption. She will be running each session twice per week, and they will be interchangeable for those who need that flexibility. The first will be on Mondays at 2pm, in the Antioch Room (starting on the *4th March*) and the second will be on Friday evenings at 7:30pm at [REDACTED] (starting on the *8th March*). The course will run for 6 weeks.

Before that, however, there will be a chance to gather to watch the whole film, and we will be showing this at Wesley Hall this *Saturday 2nd March* at 10:30am, with a bring and share lunch afterwards. All are welcome to come to the film and lunch!

❖ Bible Study Group

We will be meeting this *Wednesday 27th February* in the Antioch room, to continue our look at Mark's gospel. This week we'll be looking at Chapter 4. Feel free to arrive at 7.50pm for an 8pm start. We begin with hot drinks, read the bible passage and answer questions together to help us try to understand and apply the passage to our lives. We generally finish by 9.30pm with a time of prayer. All are welcome to come along. For any more information, please see Andrea, Andrew or Emma.

❖ Oaks and Acorns

Hello, I'm Helen, I've been part of the Wesley Ebenezer community for the past five years – coming along to toddler groups and Messy Church with my two wee boys. Last month the Wesley Ebenezer Church Council agreed to partner with me to run a pilot of "Oaks and Acorns" – twinning local toddler groups with

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their local elderly care homes. I've been taking small groups of children into care homes for play sessions for two years, and am delighted to be able to start a local group. I'm in touch with Moorend Place care home, and will be visiting Wednesday's toddler group at Wesley this week. If you'd like to know more, or get involved, please contact me on: [REDACTED], or ask Jacque for other contact details.

COMING SOON...

❖ Service on Sunday 17th March

Our service on *Sunday 17th March* is an own arrangement and we would like to open it up for people to bring a reading, poem, picture, or any other contribution to share at the service. It will be Lent, so you could choose a Lent themed item, but anything will be welcome. If you can let Emma have an idea of your contribution (in person or by phone/ email) by Sunday 10th March, we can then put a service together around all the contributions.

❖ Grenoside and Birley Carr Players "The Sorcerer"

Grenoside and Birley Carr Players proudly present "The Sorcerer" by WS Gilbert and Arthur Sullivan. *Tuesday 26th to Saturday 30th March, 7.30pm*, at Grenoside Community Centre, Main Street, Grenoside, Sheffield S35 8PR. Supporting "Myeloma research" and Sheffield Hospitals Charity. Tickets are available by calling [REDACTED].

❖ Date for your Diary - Annual Church Meeting

Our Annual Church Meeting (ACM) will be on *Sunday 7th April*.

❖ Circuit Conference

There will be a Holy Habits and Local Arrangements Circuit Conference on *Saturday 13th April*, here at Wesley Hall, from 10am-1pm, followed by a bring-and-share lunch. This is a great opportunity to meet other people, get new ideas and be involved. It is currently a time of change for Wesley Hall in terms of our local arrangement services, and this event looks to be very helpful. If you are remotely interested, even if you're not free on the day, please contact Jacque.

❖ Breaking Bread - Maundy Thursday

Holy Communion including performance of "Bread of Life" by Springs Dance Company on *18th April 2019* at 5.00 p.m. at Wesley Hall.

❖ Blackpool Weekend

This year our Blackpool Weekend will be the *10th, 11th and 12th May*. The cost is £111.00 for two nights Bed Breakfast and Evening Meal. A deposit of £10.00 per person is required by 24th February. Please ask Jim or Dorothy for further details.

❖ Afternoon Tea with the Girl Guides

The Guides are organising an Afternoon Tea with entertainment on *Saturday 18th May* from 2pm to 4pm to fund raise for their camping trip. Please come along and support them, there is no set charge but donations will be gladly accepted. Please let Dorothy know if you intend to come.

CHILDREN, FAMILIES & COMMUNITY...

- ❖ The next **Holiday Club** which is joint with St Tim's is on *1st – 3rd April* it would be useful for planning purposes if (if you know you're available and want to volunteer) if you could let either Jacque or Tim know. There will be plenty of opportunities to get involved later down the line too.

Booking for **Holiday Club** has opened, you just need to fill in the google form: <https://goo.gl/forms/z6Z7R6nKV7k0o7mG2> If you don't want to type it in, just look on the events section of the Wesley Hall website and click on the flyer.

The editor for March is Matt Irons. Please place items for the newsletter in the pigeon hole, send an e-mail to newsletter@wesleyhall.org.uk or call Matt on [REDACTED] by Wednesday evening.

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- ❖ The next **Messy Church** date is *Saturday 16th March* and the theme (to go along with Holy Habits) is *Breaking Bread*. If you have any story, craft, activity or general ideas please see Jacque Ryan. We are specifically looking for anyone who is particularly interested in people who can sit with craft tables and help kids with crafts.
- ❖ There's a **Holy Habits & Local Arrangement Circuit Conference** on *Saturday 13th April*, 10am to 1pm at Wesley Hall. This is a great opportunity to meet other people, get new ideas and be involved. It is currently a time of change for Wesley Hall in terms of our local arrangement services (you may well remember filling in a feedback form) and this looks to be very helpful. If you are even remotely interested and are free please contact Jacque Ryan. If you're interested, but not free, please also contact Jacque.
- ❖ **Messy Church Bring and Share Approach** We are trialling a bring to share approach to Messy Church. Steve and Linda currently do everything for the kitchen at Messy Church, Stay and Play, Film Days and Fundays, alongside their other church commitments, and (very understandably) they are looking to reduce the amount they are doing. The plan is several people will sign up to dropping an item or two off during the week to set out on Saturday (bonus points if you want to help occasionally in the kitchen). You can claim expenses if you would like to for what you buy. There is a real beauty in the hospitality offered by the church towards Messy Church, and I think that's a really important aspect to Wesley Hall running Messy Church. Steve and Linda have facilitated this for some time and we would like to thank them for all they have done (and continue to do!)

If you're interested in baking for church events, please let Jacque know. We often need biscuits for crafts, cake for Wiggles, and all sorts of things. It's good to know who to ask!

We still have a need for glass jars and plastic bottles in particular. Cereal boxes would also be useful. Thank you to everyone who has been collecting junk modelling supplies for us!

AND FINALLY...

❖ **Release your inner artist and help decorate our community garden!**

We began a community art project last half term at Friday's fun day. The 30+ children who joined us each painted a cobble/ smaller stone to be a colourful fish. Our idea is that each person who uses Wesley Hall during the week or has a connection to the building- a lunch club member, toddler group member, upcoming Tae Kwando champion or Zumba-er will paint a fish. The stones will then be varnished and set in a huge shoal onto the wall in the community garden to wow the world and encourage people to spend time in our community garden and find the fish they and their family painted.

There are leaflets and posters about this project around the building. Liz is co-ordinating the project but paint, stones and instructions will be available in the office and it would be fabulous if anyone leading groups (a small/ home/ bible study group, the lent course, Coffee and Craft, TRIBE, Toddler group or Wiggles) could encourage people there to paint a stone for us. Liz might be able to get to some groups but not all! It's worth stressing to people that the stones are to stay at church not be taken home. For more information, see Liz Harding (the person trying to play the saxophone!)

❖ **Flower Rota**

The new flower rota is now up at the back of church. If you feel you could spare £15 (or so) and would like to contribute to the flowers, please put your name at the side of your chosen week and pass the money to one of the flower team: Sue Mills, Pat Wright or Louise Etherington.