



Wesley Hall

Part of Wesley Ebenezer Methodist Church



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Sunday 24th June 2012

We Welcome You To Worship Today

We hope you find a warm welcome, particularly if you are with us for the first time. If we don't manage to speak to you personally and you would like more information, please pick up a welcome card and leaflet. All song words are projected onto the wall above the dais or can be found in the books provided. Separate song sheets are available at the back of church for any songs that are not in the hymn books. Recordings of our Sunday morning services are usually available, please see Matt Irons.

Today's services 10.30 am: Preacher **Rev Catrin Harland**

The steward on duty today is Dennis Kettlewell

And next week 10.30 am: Preacher *Rev John Simms (Parade Service)*

1st July

The steward on duty will be Andrew Gray

THIS WEEK...

❖ Wednesday Group

The Wednesday Group are meeting at 7.30pm on 27th June in the Emmaus Room for a Members' Evening and coffee.

❖ Messy Church

Wesley Hall invites you to an Olympic Messy Church at 10am on Saturday 30th June. There will be craft activities, Bible stories, music and games and a snack time. Everyone is welcome. Please see Emma for more information.

❖ An Evening of Music and Song-30th June at 7.30pm at Wesley Hall

There will be an Evening of Music and Song with the "BEVOX" Community Choir at 7:30pm on Saturday 30th June at Wesley Hall. The concert is to raise funds for SOOPER TROOPERS a Performing Arts Group for people with learning disabilities. Tickets are £5, pay at the door including tea and biscuits.

❖ Alpha

Wesley Ebenezer is running an Alpha course at Walkley. It will run mainly on Thursday evenings during June, the next session being this Thursday at 6.30pm. This is an opportunity for us to talk to others, and to ourselves, about what's important to us about the Christian faith. The course is designed so that we eat together, listen together, talk together and pray together as we explore the basics of our beliefs: who was Jesus and why did he die?; why is it important to pray and read the Bible?; how does the Holy Spirit help us to be followers of Jesus? The course is being run for two groups of people: those within the life of the church who want to know more about Jesus or to refresh themselves in the core beliefs and values of Christianity; and those who aren't yet a part of the church – our neighbours, friends or colleagues, whom we could invite to join us. Now is the time to start thinking about who you could invite along and to start

praying for them. The good news of Jesus isn't just for the church: "The promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far off—for all that the Lord our God will call." (Acts 2:39). If there is someone you would like to invite, please pick up a flyer for them from the back of church giving details and dates.

❖ **Safeguarding**

As you will no doubt be aware Safeguarding – Creating Safer Spaces –for both Young People and Vulnerable Adults is very high on the Church's agenda. Every Methodist Circuit has been instructed to make sure that everyone who has any involvement, no matter how indirect or minor, with young people and vulnerable adults undertakes a 2½ hr. training session. This training must be completed by the end of August 2012. As a Circuit we have organised 6 training sessions and have already circulated the dates and a booking form. If you have not yet been made aware of these sessions and the importance of coming along, please either complete the attached form or contact Julian in the Circuit Office mwcircuit@btconnect.com or on 266 8729. If you have any queries or are uncertain if you should attend then please speak to Julian or Becky Mower.

The training dates are:

25th June – Monday 2.00 – 4.30 p.m.at Broomhill - Ashgate

25th June – Monday 7.00 – 9.30 p.m.at Walkley (max 30)

27th June – Wednesday 7.00 – 9.30 p.m. at Stanwood

15th July – Sunday 3.00 – 5.30 p.m. Nether Green -Ark room

COMING SOON...

❖ **A class of your own - new series**

God in the Everyday is the first in a new series of booklets encouraging church communities to re-establish class meetings. It provides pointers for getting small group meetings started and a brief introduction to the heritage of classes within Methodism. Future planned titles are: - God in the Family (October 2012), God in the Workplace (January 2013), God in the Community (May 2013). Priced £5 (plus p&p) for a pack of 50, God in the Everyday can be ordered from Methodist Publishing (01733 235962).

❖ **Help to shape this year's 3Generate**

3Generate is the Children's and Youth Assembly of the Methodist Church. This year it is being held from 16-18 November. The Children and Youth Team are in the process of hearing views of children and young people which will help shape the event. There are a number of resources to help you with this.

1. The Big Sleepover has resources for hearing the voice of children and young people if you are organising a residential sleepover event.
2. The Big Session is a ready-made plan, allowing young people to be consulted in an hour's session.

Also there are online surveys for children and young people to complete. These can be done by the young people at home, or you may choose to look at the questions and discuss them with your young people first. Please pass on the links to the children and young people so they can tell us their views direct. For more information about 2012's 3Generate Children's and Youth Assembly including booking details, click www.childrenandyouth/worker.

❖ **Only a week to go until the 2012 Methodist Conference**

This year's Methodist Conference will take place at Plymouth Pavilions from Thursday 28 June to Thursday 5 July. The reports from the Conference agenda are now online. Live video of the main Conference debates will be streamed online and people can watch the debates later through the Conference website too. There will also be regular Conference updates on Twitter (#methconf) and Facebook.

The editor for the month of July 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.