



Wesley Hall

Part of Wesley Ebenezer
Methodist Church

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Sunday 27th March 2011

3rd Sunday in Lent

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 service 10:30 am: Preacher
The Worship Leader is
The steward on duty today is

Rev John Simms - *A place of wandering & wondering*
Louise Etherington
Dorothy White

Next Week – April 3rd - Mothering Sunday & Boys Brigade Parade Sunday

10:30 am: Preacher
The Steward on duty will be

Rev John Simms - *A place of nourishment*
Pat Singleton

Did you remember to change the clocks.....?



THIS WEEK...

❖ **“Wilderness” - Lent Art Exhibition 25th March – 22nd April**

The “Wilderness Art Exhibition” has begun! And has been organized by Rev Ric Stott our District Pioneer minister. Wesley Hall Church is acting as a Gallery and Sacred Space over Lent, so the public can visit and spend time in the Worship Area and Emmaus Room. Please sign up on the rota at the back of church to cover time slots – there are just a few gaps left. We would like at least 3 folk for each time slot. Extra Posters and Cards are ready, with all the dates, to be given out.

❖ **Messy Church**

How did Messy Church go on Thursday? Please ask and find out. How can we all play our part in this new children's ministry – ask if you can help at the next event, pray, bring your children / grandchildren, tell a neighbour.....Messy Church is running every Thursday from 4 to 5.15pm in the downstairs Hall

- ❖ **Ewan James** born to Neil, Claire & Alistair Campbell – Monday 21st March at 2.13pm. Weighing in at 7lb 9oz. Mother & Baby are ok but still at Jessop's as of Thursday, as baby a bit slow to get going.



- ❖ **Lent Study** – Dates, theme and times for **“The Whole Story”**

The Bible is a remarkable book. If you open a Bible at random you could come across poetry, proverbs, history, love-songs, architectural details or a national legal code. This amazing collection of literature was drawn together by numerous authors over a period of hundreds of years, yet amazingly – miraculously, even – it still tells one consistent story.

This story is not like any other story you are likely to come across. The Bible story claims to be the ultimate story which explains why the universe exists, why the world is the way it is and where the whole of creation is heading. It is a story that makes a claim on your life: which says that you were created for a purpose and which tells you what that purpose is.

All meetings at 7:30 p.m.

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| Monday 28th March | Wesley Hall | Act 2 – Israel |
| Monday 4th April | Walkley | Act 3 – Incarnation & Redemption |
| Monday 11th April | Wesley Hall | Act 4 – The Church |
| Monday 18th April | Walkley | Act 5 – The Future |

- ❖ **Christians Against the Cuts** There will be a launch meeting of “Christians Against the Cuts” on Tuesday **29th March** 7.30-9pm at St Andrew's Psalter Lane Church, Sheffield S11. We oppose the current public spending cuts on the grounds that they increase unemployment, poverty and social exclusion. Revd Canon Nick Jowett will speak on Christians and social justice and there will be a speaker from the Sheffield Anti Cuts Alliance. For further details contact Margaret Stone on [REDACTED].

COMING SOON...

- ❖ **Men's Breakfast.** A group of us continue to meet for a chat over a bacon and egg sandwich from 8.30-9.30am downstairs in the main hall. Please join us for our next meeting on **Saturday 9th April**. All are welcome. Jim and Gareth
- ❖ **Agape Meal/Service.** Walkley Ebenezer have invited us to join them on **Maundy Thursday 21st April** at 7:00pm for a shared meal (provided by them). We need to sign the sheet on the notice board to let them know how many of us will be going so please do so as soon as possible. Thanks, Dorothy.
- ❖ **Network Easter Offering Service.** This will take place on **Sunday 8th May** at 3:00pm at Wesley Ebenezer at Walkley. The speaker is Judith Simms and the theme is “Seeds of Life – Harvest, Hope and Wholeness for all God's Children” written by Judith.

- ❖ **Fairtrade Fashion Show** – A “Fashion Show” is coming up next month - April 27th and 28th at The Blue Shed, 410 Brightside Lane, Sheffield S9 2SP. Tickets £5.00 from [REDACTED].



- ❖ **Church Membership**

John is planning on running Church Membership classes on the following dates: please let him know if you are interested.

Tuesday 3rd May, Tuesday 10th May, Thursday 19th May, and Tuesday 24th May

These will be held at the Manse, 8 Reservoir Road S10 1EY and will start at 7:30 p.m.

Rev John L Simms Tel: 0114 266 0010. email: minister@wesleyhall.org.uk

- ❖ **Sons of Korah**, are an Australian band who put Psalms to music. They are set to visit the UK next month and are in **Sheffield** on Tuesday 3rd May at 7:30 pm



Sons of Korah, who have impacted tens of thousands of people with the spirituality of the psalms, take audiences on a journey through emotions - from the depths of despair to the heights of praise.

The concerts have been arranged by Bible Society as part of Biblefresh, a multi-agency campaign celebrating the 400th anniversary of the King James Bible, which aims to help people have a new confidence and excitement in using the Bible.

Don't miss out on the chance to experience the Bible in a fresh and memorable way. Please do bring your friends, and also share this with your church - we would really value your support.

We look forward to seeing you there! More information from Emma Irons.

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aid**

Christian Aid week this year will be **15th to 21st May**. This is where envelopes asking for donations are delivered in various roads in Crookes and collected. Please let me know if you are able to collect on a street. Offers to help out in other ways i.e. counting the money, making and serving home made soups on Saturday 21st May would also be most welcome. Thanks for the great team work last year. *Andrea*.

FROM THE DISTRICT...

- ❖ Rachel McCallam and Mark Wigglesworth, the Diocese of Sheffield Mission Co-ordinator, will be delivering a Mission-Shaped Ministry intro course in May and June this year. If any church is willing to host a course, please let Rachel know on [REDACTED]. Further information on the course can be found at:
http://www.sheffieldmethodist.org/downloads/weeklymailing/msm_30062011.pdf

- ❖ **Christian Aid – May Day Trek** Bolsterstone *May Day Bank Holiday Monday, 2 May 2011*

This annual sponsored walk will be a great day out for families and seasoned walkers alike. The 5, 10 or 15-mile routes bring hundreds of people together to enjoy a spring walk on the edge of the Peak District. It is a slightly different and less challenging route than last year, so dust of your boots again and join us and raise money to support communities across the world to lift themselves out of poverty.

The Trek is fully marshaled, with toilet facilities, first aid and refreshment points.

To register visit www.sheffieldmaydaytrek.org.uk or contact Bridget on email: maydaywalk@gmail.com or phone [REDACTED]

The organisation of the trek requires the help of quite a number of volunteers on the day. Whilst we have a good team of regular helpers new volunteers are always welcome. If you would like to help and be involved with the Trek, but think the hike itself might be a step too far, please email info@sheffieldmaydaytrek.org.uk.

AND FINALLY...

❖ 2012 Fund Raising

To help raise funds for this, we would like to have your **Family Favourite Recipes** to compile a new Wesley Hall Recipe Book. Categories could include World Foods, Vegetarian, Special Dietary needs e.g. gluten free, diabetic, also quick tea time Starters, Sweet Treats, Granny's favourites etc We would like to pass them on just like the TV PROGRAMME "Hairy Bikers Mum's Knows Best", where Mom's cook their favourite recipes then they are invited to cook them at a fair where everyone can taste them.

Then using some ideas from the New Book we will be having a Food Fair where we can sell some of the food and also the New Book and share in a time of fellowship together. So please let Tina & John Owen or Andrea have your recipes just after Easter so we can compile them into a book. Please pray for this idea because I believe it can be a fruitful and a blessing for this community. Thanks Tina, John



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