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# Sunday 28th March 2021

We are now holding our Zoom services every other week, with the dates of our next two service below. We invite you to explore the other worship options (these are available on the last page) on the weeks when we are not meeting via Zoom. Our Zoom services are also available to watch on YouTube. They are unlisted videos so are not available to people searching YouTube and can only be accessed using a direct link. If you would like the link, or would prefer a DVD or audio recording of the services, just ask Matt.

**Zoom on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> March 10:30am David Harris**Zoom at Easter 4<sup>th</sup> April 10:30am John Simms

# **THIS WEEK**

### ❖ Zoom Worship

We hope you'll be able to join us this Sunday for our Zoom service, which will be led by David Harris. The Zoom details are below:

https://zoom.us/j/96423971221?pwd=WmxNMII2THVhSUswY3dVL0JmRC9pQT09

Meeting ID: 964 2397 1221

Passcode: **526491** 

There is also an option to connect by telephone for audio only. If you would like to do this, please follow these instructions:

Dial one of these numbers –

0131 460 1196 0203 051 2874 0203 481 5237 0203 481 5240

- An automated voice will ask you to enter the Meeting ID followed by hash; enter 964 2397 1221, #
- It will ask you to enter your Participant ID (you don't have one) or just press hash, so press #
- It will then ask you to enter the Meeting Password followed by hash; enter 526491, #
- You will be in the meeting!

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❖ 40 Acts

40 Acts started with a simple idea from Stewardship to commit to 40 days of giving out, not giving up over Lent, to put others before ourselves and to walk in the footsteps of Jesus and follow his call to love our neighbours. They are not sharing new acts this year, but since we have not followed this before, we will be sharing the links from last year (which means that some of them may need adapting in order to be COVID safe). The acts for this week are below (each Act has a green, amber and red suggestion, and each will take an increasing amount of time and/ or money):

Monday 35) Reconnect Tuesday 36) Behind Bars Wednesday 37) Secret Keeper Thursday 38) Reconciliation Friday 39) We Are Family Saturday 40) Written Off

# **COMING SOON**

# Easter Sunday Worship

Our next Zoom service will be next week, Easter Sunday, and will be led by Rev. John Simms (the Zoom details are the same for all our services). We will then return to our fortnightly pattern of Zooms after Easter.

# ❖ Spring Harvest Home 2021

Spring Harvest will be an online-only event again this year and tickets are still available! We'd love for you to join us, so please click here to book your place to access all the brilliant content on this year's theme 'Unrivalled: Why we worship'. Watch a brand new video from Abby to find out more here. Spring Harvest Home is far more than online teaching and worship. We're using a new platform to create the first Christian event of its kind in the UK. It's exciting, engaging, interactive, family friendly and a brilliant shared experience! We're hopeful it will encourage you to worship, learn and laugh with fellow guests. You can watch live and on demand, ask questions and join discussions. We're excited, and we can't wait for you to join us as we worship our unrivalled God together from the evening of Easter Sunday 4th to 8th April.

# **❖** Vision Exploration Meeting (Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> April at 4:00pm)

Following on from our very positive congregational meeting in January, we need to look at things in a little more detail and start to flesh out the community chaplain idea, and explore how it will fit in our current structure or if that structure needs to change. As part of this meeting we will be undertaking an organisational risk assessment to assess our strengths and weaknesses, to help us work out if there are any gaps that need filling. We can then move on to brainstorm what we do now, what we would like to happen in the future, and how we need to organise ourselves to get there. This meeting is open to anyone, not just Church Council or Leadership Team members, since this is all still very new and we want to get as many ideas, suggestions and opinions as we can! The meeting will be on Tuesday 6th April at 4:00pm, and all are welcome to join using this **Zoom link** or details:

Meeting ID: 937 5629 4322

Passcode: 389423

# AND FINALLY...

# ❖ TRIBE Easter activity bags

Claire has made some Easter activity bags for the children in TRIBE (like the Advent bags she made at Christmas). Here are some photos for you to see what is inside. Hopefully the children will enjoy them!





Claire would like to thank you all again for your continued support and prayers.

#### ❖ Daffodils!

Thank you to everyone who has been involved in the daffodil project in any way. We have some ready to go in the bags to Lunch Club members, some to go in the bags for Messy Church and some to go around Crookes from Monday morning, inviting people to take them home. Each has a Happy Easter greeting from Wesley Hall and an encouraging text accompanying it.

If you have made some daffodils and would like texts and greetings to go with them, please ring Liz Jenkinson (

If you would like any daffodils to give to family, friends and neighbours, or if you would like Liz to collect and distribute any you have made, again please give her a ring.

Thank you for being part of this witness. Please could you include the people who will receive them in your prayers?

#### Walk for Water

During lent Sean is taking part in Walk for Water for CAFOD. The goal is to walk 10,000 steps for 40 days to raise money to aid CAFOD in their aim of providing wells or more help to those who need to walk (around) 10,000 steps each day just for water. Please feel free to give as much or as little as you can to this amazing charity and to spur Sean and Amy (his fiancé) on! For more info and a way to donate, please look at this link www.justgiving.com, or get in touch with Sean on 07401 980 794 or youth@wesleyhall.org.uk.

Matt Irons 0114 267 9040

#### Easter Celebration CD

The Methodist Church has produced an Easter Celebration CD which includes Easter hymns, readings and a reflection from the President of the Conference. If you would like a copy, please let Matt know.

#### Christian Aid

Christian Aid aims to end poverty and injustice worldwide. Christian Aid week, which takes place each year in May, is a big part of their fundraising effort and in 2019 £8million was raised. Andrea Killingsworth has been coordinating Christian Aid week for Wesley Hall since 2009 and is looking to step down from doing this, although she will continue to support it. The main focus of the week has been the door-to-door collections during the week in May, but other fundraising activities have also taken place. However, how things are approached is not set in stone. If you want to know more about what is involved in coordinating Christian Aid week, please speak to Andrea. Our thanks go out to Andrea for all her hard work while doing this.

# PRAYER POINTS

- For our church and Leadership Team as we explore the possibility of having a Community Chaplain to support and engage with all the people who use our building (when it is not closed due to COVID).
- For our church, community, country and the world as we deal with and respond to the coronavirus pandemic.
- For Lunch Club as we look to the future and try to keep in touch with our members.
- ❖ For our grant application for £15,000 to the Culture Recovery Fund for Heritage.

If you have any prayer points to include in the newsletter, please pass them on to the editor (see contact details at bottom of page).

# **SUNDAY WORSHIP**

Today we, along with most churches, will not be worshipping in our church buildings, but in our own homes. Below are a number of options (in no particular order) to help us to do this:

#### Vine at Home Service

Along with this newsletter, there should also be a separate attachment called 'Service 1 (Vine)'. This is a short service that can be used at home and includes prayers, a reflection and songs (that can be played via the embedded YouTube links).

# Methodist Church in Britain Worship at Home

Along with this newsletter, there should also be a separate attachment called 'Service 2 (Methodist)'. This is a short service that can be used at home and includes prayers, a reflection and songs (that can be played via the embedded YouTube link).

# Wesley's Chapel - Livestream

Wesley's Chapel in London is live-streaming worship, adapted for a non-physical congregation, at 9:45am and 11am today. The YouTube link for the stream is: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCUAUqhmhevz5sqhh72LIMxA

#### **❖** Methodist Central Hall, Westminster - Livestream

The team at Methodist Central Hall are providing live worship via their YouTube channel at 11.00am every Sunday. Alternatively you can watch again online at a time convenient to you. Just click on this link: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCn9TkFzl-gk--V3JapCS0sQ or type "methodist central hall Westminster youtube channel" into your search engine and it should pop up. The service is between 45 mins and an hour.

#### Sheffield Methodist Circuit Streamed Services

Victoria Hall

**Greenhill Methodist Church** 

Coal Aston Methodist Church

St Paul's Methodist Church, Dronfield

St Andrew's Psalter Lane Church

Carterknowle Methodist Church

Totlev Rise Methodist Church

Stocksbridge Christian Centre (as Part of the Cornerstone Mission Partnership)

Christ Church Stocksbridge

Stephen Hill Methodist Church

St Andrew's Gosforth Valley

Church of Christ, Darnall

Victoria Stafford Road

We will endeavour to continue to offer a variety of home worship options each week. If you come across a good one, please send it to the newsletter account.