

Wesley Hall

Part of Wesley Ebenezer Methodist Church



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# Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> August 2011

# 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	10.30am:	Preacher	Mandy Boyce
		The steward on duty is Andrew Gray	
And next week	10.30am:	Preacher Worship Leader The steward will be Pat	Rev. Daniel Pratt Morris Chapman Emma Irons Singloton

# THIS WEEK...

#### Coffee & Crafts:

A group of ladies continue to meeting in the Church Hall for a craft afternoon, fortnightly on Tuesdays from 2:00pm to 3:30pm. As part of the craft work they are looking to produce banners for the Sanctuary and are preparing a new banner for Advent. All are welcome and there is a charge of  $\pounds$ 1.50 to cover refreshments and materials. The next meeting is this *Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> August*.

## Mary Tozer

The next service at Mary Tozer will be this *Thursday* 1<sup>st</sup> September from 7:00pm to 8:00pm. All are welcome to come and join us.

## ✤ Gift Aid Envelopes

Now that we have joined with Walkley there will be some changes for those who give to church using envelopes. From September, all envelope numbers will change with the new numbers being 40 higher than the existing numbers. Also, envelopes will run from January to December instead of from September to August. At the back of church are envelopes using the new numbers running from September to December. This will tide us over until we will get a full year of new envelopes ready for January.

Please collect your new envelopes from the back of church and if you have any questions (or would like to start give using the envelope scheme), please see Matt.

# COMING SOON...

## Monday Fellowship Group (held alternately at the Bellamys' and Pat Singleton's):

This year we have been alternatively studying the Acts of the Apostles through the characters we meet in that book, and watching a variety of inspiring videos. Both these subjects have been very interesting and thought provoking. During May we only had informal gatherings of a few members as the month is so full of Bank Holidays and Christian Aid involvements. To make up for this we met every week in June and July. Our next session will start on *Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September* when we intend to read and study the book of Ecclesiastes. Meetings begin at around 7:30pm with worship and prayer and end with refreshments at around 9:00pm.

#### Introduction To Biblical Hebrew:

Dr. Noel Irwin is running a 12 lesson introductory course in Biblical Hebrew. The course starts on *Thursday* 15<sup>th</sup> September at the Urban Theology Unit. The cost is £50 for the whole course (or £5 per lesson) and further information is available by calling **Control** or emailing <u>office@utusheffield.org.uk</u>.

#### Joint Covenant Service:

Our Covenant Service this year will be held at Walkley Ebenezer on *Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> September*. The format for the day is that both congregations will have their usual 10:30am services before meeting at Walkley for a shared meal at 12:30pm. The Covenant Service will follow the meal at 2:30pm. Please do support this as it is an opportunity to share fellowship with the congregation at Walkley.

#### **\*** Worship Consultation:

We will be holding a Worship Consultation on *Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> September* at 7:30pm. If you would like to share your opinion about the future of our Sunday morning services, please come along.

#### Harvest Supper:

Our Harvest Supper this year will be a pie and pea supper on *Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> September* and will cost £3.50. If you would like to come, please put your names on the list at the back of church so that Jim knows how many pies to order. The congregation from Walkley Ebenezer will be joining us and Ann / Sylvia will provide entertainment after the meal. Please see Dorothy if you have any questions.

#### In Spirit and Truth: Belief, Worship and Discipleship:

John Bell and Jo Love of the Iona Community's Wild Goose Resource Group are leading a day at St Mark's, Broomhill on *Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> October*, entitled 'In Spirit and Truth: Belief, Worship & Discipleship'. This is an open event and they are encouraging applications from far and wide. An application form is available on the Circuit E-News Downloads webpage <u>www.sheffieldwest.org.uk/downloads.html</u>. A copy is also available at the back of church.

#### Music & Mission:

Christians of all traditions are welcome to an afternoon of Music & Mission including songs and reflections from John Bell of the Iona Community on *Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> October* from 3:00pm to 5:00pm at Victoria Hall Methodist Church. The event will include an address and a big sing to help us reflect on ecumenism for mission in the 21<sup>st</sup> century, welcoming the Redeemed Christian Church of God into membership of Churches Together in South Yorkshire and the formal re-signing of the Church Leaders' Covenant all followed by a Sandwich Tea.

#### Stay & Play Morning:

I am organising a stay and play morning for children and their parents/grandparents/carers on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> October from 10:00am to 12:00pm. There's going to be a bouncy castle and puppet show along with craft activities and toys along with hot drinks and cakes for the adults. The aim of the event is mission focussed to try and draw in some of the families who attend the toddler group, messy church or have some loose connections with Wesley Hall and build relationships with those of us in the church.

Please could you pray for this event and have a think if there is anybody you know with children or grandchildren who you would like to invite. Offers of help with setting up and making/serving cakes and drinks will be gratefully received. For more information, talk to Emma.

# AND FINALLY...

#### Newsletter Rota:

Now that Rob has moved churches we could do with another person to edit the newsletter. A small amount of skill with a computer is helpful but you do not need to be an expert. If you are interested or would like more information, please see Matt.

The editor for the month of September is Steve. Please place items for the newsletter in the pigeon hole, send an e-mail to <u>newsletter@wesleyhall.org.uk</u> or call Steve on by Wednesday evening