



Wesley Hall

Crookes, Sheffield



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THIS WEEK

❖ Sunday Home Worship Options

As well as our fortnightly Zoom services you may still wish to utilise any of the various other worship resources which are still included in the newsletter, but have moved to the last page.

❖ Harvest Donations

Since we were not meeting in person for Harvest this year, we were not be able to bring our food and money offerings to the service as we usually do. However, donations of food are always welcome at the S6 Foodbank donation box in the foyer of Wesley Hall during usual church office hours (9am to 5pm, Monday to Wednesday).

Since our Harvest service was from All We Can, we are encouraging people to consider making any monetary gifts to them. If you would like to, please donate directly to All We Can on their website at www.allwecan.org.uk/give/make-a-donation or let Matt have your gift by cash, cheque or bank transfer to pass on to them.

❖ Fellowship Group

Our Thursday Fellowship Group continues to meet for Bible study and prayer (and fellowship!) at 8pm on Thursdays, via Zoom. All are welcome, please ask Andrea for more information or for the Zoom details.

❖ Zoom Worship

The Leadership Team are looking to put together a team of people who are willing to take responsibility for putting together a Zoom worship service on a rota basis. The Vine material is always available and we are hoping to get hold of some recorded sermons from the Circuit, so this is likely to entail finding readers and choosing the songs for the service. It would also be really helpful to know who is willing to take part by reading or leading prayers. If you are interested in taking part in any way, or would like to find out more, please ask Matt.

Our next Zoom Service will be held on Sunday 8th November.

❖ Coffee & Crafts-Cancelled

We were planning the return of Coffee & Crafts on Wednesday 4th November. However, we have had to postpone starting Coffee and Crafts for the foreseeable future.

❖ Prayerful Opportunity

In this Year of Prayer in the Methodist Church why not join us for a taster of meditation and sharing? Rachel McCallam and Judith Jessop are leading a five week journey to discover the power of Christian mindfulness meditation. Takedown meditations use your imagination to provide a calm, comfortable space in which to meet God. All are welcome to enjoy these meditations, which are intentionally inclusive, non-directive and experimental. Beginning on *Wednesday 4th November* from 7pm to 8:30pm (via Zoom), please contact Judith Jessop on 231 3518 or judithjessop@tiscali.co.uk for more information or to register.

COMING SOON

❖ Tearfund Quiz

Tearfund are fundraising with their Big Quiz Night over the weekend of 13-15 November. Many churches will be hosting their own events and ours will be on *Friday 13th at 8pm*. This will be done via Zoom and the meeting details will be confirmed next week. We'd like as many people as possible to join in, so put the date in your calendar!

❖ Messy Church

We ran our first Messy Church at home in October and the next one is planned for *Saturday 14th November*. Claire will put together take home activity bags with crafts, colouring and activities around our theme for people to explore at home. Then there will be a Zoom meeting at 11am for a chance to share what we've made at home, hear a story and sing together. Activity bags will be available to pick up from 9am to 3pm, *Tuesday 10th to Thursday 12th* or from 10am on *Saturday 14th*. If you know someone who might be interested, please do let them know or pass a bag on to them. Contact Claire on families@wesleyhall.org.uk or 07412 124 310 for more details or if you're not able to come and pick up a pack.

AND FINALLY

❖ A Message from James Simms

I hope you're keeping well. As you might already know, Dolores and I got engaged on October 13th. In the midst of Tier 3 and the general gloom of the pandemic, I think a little good news could go a long way. James

I am sure we all would want to pass on our congratulations to Dolores and James on their engagement and our prayers for their future happiness together, it's wonderful news. (Editor)

❖ Farewell Gift for Sally

As I am sure we all want to mark Sally's leaving I am going to make a book filled with all our messages to say goodbye to her. If you would like to add a message, please email me at [REDACTED]. Thank you, Louise.

And if you would like to put something towards a leaving gift for Sally, let Matt have this by cash cheque or bank transfer.

❖ Christmas Cards

It seems a long way off but Christmas will soon be upon us! Many people usually write their cards and bring them to church to give out either in person or via the pigeon holes, but since we are not meeting for worship in person we will not be able to do that this year. Instead, we are going to dedicate a special page of the newsletter to Christmas greetings and encourage people to make a donation to Action for Children with the money saved by not buying cards. If you would like to take part in this, just send your message to the newsletter email account or pop it to in the letterbox at church and then either donate to Action for Children directly or give it to Matt to pass on.

❖ Reset the Debt

Reset the Debt is a campaign calling for debt cancellation for people who have been swept into unavoidable debt in recent months was launched this week by the Joint Public Issues Team and Church Action on Poverty. The call is for the Government to create a Jubilee Fund to provide grants to pay off and cancel unavoidable debt accrued by the poorest households during the lockdown period, giving them a more stable platform from which to face the difficult winter ahead.

Find out more and how you can take part by following [this link](#).

PRAYER POINTS

- ❖ For Wesley Hall, Walkley Ebenezer and Stannington as we adjust to life without a Minister
- ❖ For Sally and her new churches, as they get to know one another
- ❖ For our building, that we would be able to raise the required £15,000 in new bookings in order to break even this year
- ❖ Mehrab and Moj as they start their new life in Clacton
- ❖ For Drop Inn, WHY and Sean, that the young people who take part feel members of this community and feel the love and support of the Lord.
- ❖ For Wesley Wigglers and Claire as she welcomes young families back to Wesley Hall to chat to and support them. Pray for safety for everyone and for volunteers to help with washing between sessions.
- ❖ For Messy Church, for the new format and that we would be able to involve and reach more families in November
- ❖ For our church, community, country and the world as we deal with and respond to the coronavirus pandemic.
- ❖ For Dorothy and Jim, both ill in hospital.
- ❖ For James and Dolores on their engagement and for their future happiness together.
- ❖ For Val recovering from her operation.

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](#)

[Totley 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](#)

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.