



Wesley Hall

Crookes, Sheffield



www.wesleyhall.org.uk

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Sunday 2nd July 2023

We hope you find a warm welcome, particularly if you are with us for the first time. All song words are projected onto the wall at the front or can be found in the books provided. Large print hymn books are available at the back of church along with separate printed sheets for songs that are not in the books.

Today's service **10:30am** **Jenny Carpenter**

The steward on duty is Emma Irons

Sunday 9th July *10:30am* *Louise Etherington*
Sunday 16th July *10:30am* *Rev. Mike Jones (Holy Communion)*
Sunday 23rd July *10:30am* *Denis Haywood*

THIS WEEK

❖ Circuit Prayer Gathering:

The Circuit Prayer Gathering will be taking place this Wednesday from 8pm to 9pm via Zoom and all are welcome:

<https://zoom.us/j/94411865948?pwd=R200cHBZSk1kNmErcTZRcWZXRmdVUT09>

Meeting ID: 944 1186 5948 Passcode: 999757 (Telephone connection: 020 3481 5237)

COMING SOON

❖ Open the Book: A Story Well Told

A Bible story well told has the power to spark the imagination, inspire exploration, give hope, create a smile, teach important lessons, and connect generations. As part of the Bible Society's 'A Story Well Told' tour, Bob Hartman, along with friends, will be at All Saints Ecclesall on *Friday 7th July* from 2:00pm – 4:00pm, to explore the power of Bible storytelling. Hear more about Open the Book and get everything you need for a story well told. For more information and to buy tickets, please see [this link](#).

❖ Wesley Hall Prayer Meeting

Our next church prayer meeting will take place on zoom on *Thursday 13th July*, from 7:30pm to 8:30pm and will be led by our minister, Rev Mike Jones. This provides us with an opportunity to bring before God our world, community and church and to hear what God has to say to us. You will not be put on the spot or made to contribute if you do not want to!! The zoom details are:

<https://zoom.us/j/91608027661?pwd=V0VTS0xCa0E3VGdQT1hiZDM5aWJ1Zz09>

Meeting ID: 916 0802 7661 Passcode: 100159 (Telephone connection: 020 3481 5237)

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❖ **Circuit Youth Social**

There is a Circuit Youth Social on *Friday 14th July* from 8-10pm at Bents Green Methodist Church. They'll be pool, Wii's, craft and basketball nets; plus Augmented reality headsets from Missional Generation, and pizza half way through. It is a free event open to all secondary school aged young people, but please let Jonathan Buckley (jonathan.buckley@sheffieldcircuit.org.uk, 07450 778 678) know if you are going for catering purposes, ideally by *Monday 10th July*.

❖ **Church Council**

There will be a short Church Council meeting straight after Worship on *Sunday 16th July*.

❖ **Save the Date – Liz Harding is getting married!**

Liz & Andy will be getting married at Greenhill Methodist Church on *Saturday 23rd September* at 12 noon, and anyone at Wesley Hall is very welcome to go to the service. It would be lovely to see you there. Love from Liz Harding and Andy Evans.

CHILDREN & FAMILIES / YOUTH

- Our next Messy Church is on *Saturday 8th July* and will be exploring the story of Jonah. Families with young children are very welcome to come along!
- This week we will be opening bookings for our Summer Holiday Club with St Tim's which runs on *Monday 7th & Tuesday 8th August*. I will send out the details later this week.

AND FINALLY

❖ **Message from Mehrab, Moj & Rosie**

We have received a card which is on the screens at the back of church, but the message inside is printed below:

“To all of the lovely people of Wesley Hall, thank you so much for keeping us in your hearts and minds. We always think about you, about your kindness, your wisdom, and your pure love, which you have shared with us. We also think of Minster Jones, though we have never met but we can feel his kindness. We do appreciate our membership card, as we still and always belong to Wesley Hall. Lots of love, Mehrab, Moj & Rosie xxx.”

❖ **Join Our Rubbish Campaign**

Tearfund are standing with Christians from over 10 countries in 6 continents, calling for bold action to end the plastics crisis. “We need an effective, binding plan that holds big polluters to account, reduces plastic production, supports the vital work of waste pickers, and ends the impacts of plastic pollution on people living in poverty. This rubbish situation can change if we act together!” Find out more & sign petition: www.tearfund.org/forms/rubbish-campaign-petition.

❖ **Pat Wright**

Pat would like to thank everyone for their prayers and good wishes. She is currently in Northfield Care Home, Roebuck Road, S6 3GP, and is in room 3 on the first floor. Please continue to pray for a long-term plan for her living arrangements.

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❖ **Same-Sex Marriage**

At a recent meeting the Church Council voted to allow Wesley Hall to be registered to be able to conduct same-sex marriages. The process for registration takes a number of months, so it will be a while before the building is registered. This decision follows decades of discussion on same-sex relationships by the national Methodist Church, and a number of meetings in our own church to reflect on this issue. I recognise that our church, like many churches, has a range of views on same-sex relationships and some in the church may disagree with this decision. If anyone in the church would like to talk about this, please contact me, Rev Mike Jones, on 07485 779262, michael.jones@methodist.org.uk.

PRAYER POINTS

- ❖ Please pray for those known to us who are ill, in hospital or recovering from surgery.
- ❖ For our application to Biffa Award for funding for a new heating system, that the application would be successful, and work would be able to start this autumn, ready for the winter.
- ❖ For our car park resurfacing project, that it would progress quickly, and that the application would be submitted soon.
- ❖ Please continue to pray for a resolution to the war in Ukraine, that peace may prevail.
- ❖ For upcoming meetings about the future of youth work and mission at Wesley Hall.
- ❖ For the continued exploration of how we can use our building and location to reach out and serve the people of Crookes.

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).