



Wesley Hall

Crookes, Sheffield



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Sunday 3rd May 2020

Today's service

In our own homes

Next week

In our own homes

SUNDAY WORSHIP

Today we, along with many churches across the country, will be 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 a song (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>

❖ **Sheffield Methodist Circuit Streamed Services**

[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](#)

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.

THIS WEEK

❖ Weekly Offertory

As you may be aware, the offertory was already behind budget when the Wesley Hall building was closed, meaning that we are not currently able to meet for worship. This closure is likely to have a big impact on our finances, so if you are able to continue (or begin) to give to Wesley Hall, then that would be really helpful. The main thing that our offertory goes towards is the Circuit Assessment that is then used to run the Circuit and pay our Ministers. With our buildings closed, our Ministers are busy supporting our congregations in new and different ways, so are still working and still need paying!

If you are able to continue to give, here are a few options below:

- Post a cheque with your offering to Wesley Hall, either using the postal system or by dropping it into the post box next to the main entrance if you are out for a walk and passing. This can be done weekly, fortnightly, or as often as you like.
- Make a bank transfer to Wesley Hall. You do not have to set up a standing order, but could make a one-off transfer each week, each fortnight or as often as you like. You can then return to using your envelopes when Wesley Hall is again open for worship.
- Continue to put money in your weekly offering envelope as normal, and then save them to put in the offering when Wesley Hall is again open for worship.

Thank you very much to everyone who gives to Wesley Hall; we wouldn't be here without you!

COMING SOON...

❖ Christian Aid Week (10-16 May)

Not surprisingly, Christian Aid has had to cancel the house-to-house street collections that usually take place in May as part of Christian Aid week. Christian Aid is a charity that seeks to help individuals and families around the world overcome poverty and injustice. Christian Aid Week forms a big part of their fund-raising each year and so will be a big loss, which will impact the financial assistance they can give to overseas projects helping the poor. The focus for this year's fundraising is to help with the impact of coronavirus. For more information on the work of Christian Aid, please visit www.christianaid.org.uk.

As part of our support for Christian Aid, we have created a fundraiser on Wesley Hall's Facebook page. If you are on Facebook, and feel able to donate, please do so via this page: <https://www.facebook.com/donate/2483618898616971/> (100% of all donations will go directly to Christian Aid). Alternatively, put a cheque in an envelope marked 'for Christian Aid' but made payable to Wesley Ebenezer Methodist Church (we'll forward the donation on) and pop it in the church letter box or drop it in to Andrea Killingsworth at [REDACTED]. Or if you'd rather give cash, please drop at Andrea's. If you're unable to take any of those options, please call Christian Aid on 020 7523 2269 to make a card payment.

If you're a fan of quizzes, Christian Aid has produced a cryptic quiz about TV shows, which we'd like to share with as many people as possible. If you'd like to take part, please e-mail christianaid@wesleyhall.org.uk. We'll send you the questions at the start of Christian Aid week (10th May) and you'll have until 16th May to reply with your entries. We'll then let you have the answers and announce a winner. (There might even be a virtual prize!) Suggested donation for entry to the quiz is £5. If you need any further information, please contact Andrea Killingsworth on [REDACTED] or Andrew Gray on [REDACTED]. And if you really can't get enough of quizzing, Christian Aid is hosting daily Facebook Live quizzes during the week. Please sign up here: <https://www.christianaid.org.uk/christian-aid-week/daily-quiz>.

PRAYER POINTS

- ❖ For our church, community, country and the world as we deal with and respond to the Coronavirus outbreak.

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).

AND FINALLY...

- ❖ **Ken Ruffle**

It is with deep sadness that we bring you news of the death of Ken Ruffle. He died peacefully in his sleep on Saturday 25th April. Ken was such an integral part of Wesley Hall, and the whole family have connections here, so they would like to join us for a celebration of his life, when it is safe and appropriate to do so.

- ❖ **YourNeighbour.org**

A new initiative, YourNeighbour.org, aims to support the work that churches are doing to be good neighbours in communities across the UK during the coronavirus crisis. They will support vulnerable people, working as a coordinated national response, partnering with the UK government and other agencies. For more information, see their website: [YourNeighbour.org](https://www.yourneighbour.org). Or if you need help, please call **0300 323 9952**.

- ❖ **Spring Harvest**

Spring Harvest, which normally takes place at Butlins (Skegness and Minehead) at Easter, was, unsurprisingly, cancelled. However, a lot of the intended content was broadcast on YouTube. A number of us have been really blessed with what we've watched so far and would encourage others to have a look. The theme is 'Unleashed', based on the book of Acts. Try the link to their YouTube page: <https://www.youtube.com/user/SpringHarvest> or have a look at the Spring Harvest website: <https://springharvest.org/spring-harvest-home/>. Most content will now be available until the end of May and is completely free!