



Wesley Hall

Crookes, Sheffield



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Sunday 5th September 2021

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** **David Harris**
The steward on duty is Emma Irons

Sunday 12th September 10:30am *Rev. John Simms (Covenant Service)*

Sunday 19th September 10:30am *Louise Etherington*

Sunday 26th September 10:30am *Vivian Thomas*

THIS WEEK

❖ **Worship in the Building**

Please consider taking a lateral flow COVID test on the morning before coming to worship (available free to all adults from your local pharmacy). There is no requirement to wear a face covering, but you are very welcome to continue doing so. Please also be considerate of those who wish to maintain social distancing and ask before sitting close to somebody.

❖ **Circuit Welcome Service**

This is a reminder that the welcome service for our new ministers, Michelle Deans, Claude Kimpindi, Annabel Terry and Jackie Wright will be held at Victoria Hall Methodist Church, Norfolk Street today (*Sunday 5th September*) at 6:30pm. The preacher will be the Rev. Gill Newton, Chair of Sheffield District.

❖ **Church Council**

Our next Church Council meeting is this *Wednesday 9th September* at 7:30pm here at Wesley Hall but also with a Zoom option. Please pray for the meeting and let Matt know if there is anything you would like to go on the agenda.

❖ **Leadership Team**

The Wesley Hall Leadership Team meet monthly to pray, share ideas and plan/review church events and their next meeting is *Monday 13th September*. Please pray for the meeting and let a member of the team know if there is anything that you would like to be discussed.

❖ **Covenant Service**

Our Covenant Service will be joint with Ebenezer and held here at Wesley Hall next *Sunday 12th September*. Our preacher will be Rev. John Simms.

❖ TRIBE

We are very short of volunteers for TRIBE at the moment, if you feel at all able to help (even if just once every few months) please let Jacque know, it really makes a difference. People who are willing to lead either the whole group together, or one age group would be amazing, but we also need people who are willing to be the second adult in the room for safeguarding.

COMING SOON

❖ Welcome Stewards

The new welcome rota covering the summer period and, hopefully, a more "normal" routine has now been drawn up but there are still some vacancies. In particular, if anyone could volunteer on 26th September that would be really helpful. Please let Alison know on [REDACTED].

❖ Children & Families Work

Stay and Play is going ahead (in person!) this *Saturday 11th September*. This community event is aimed at families, and we'd love to see you there. Please feel free to invite friends. The theme is Welcome Home. There'll be a bouncy castle and colourful crafts and activities. If you are able to help on the day, either with setup, in the kitchen, or helping with crafts please let Jacque know.

We're delighted that Toddlers and Wigglers are both returning this week after their summer break. If you are able to help in the kitchen for our 10am toddler group please let Jacque know.

If you're prone to planning ahead date for the diary - Messy Church is on *Saturday 16th October* and we'll be looking at the theme of Baptism. :)

❖ Stannington Methodist Church

As you may know, Stannington Methodist Chapel at Knowle Top, is sadly closing its doors. The congregation and friends will be celebrating the life and work of our Church over the many years since the first chapel was established in 1822 to the present day at our final Service of Thanksgiving on *Sunday 19th September* at 2:30pm.

You are all very welcome to come and join with us on this occasion, but we ask that masks should be worn in consideration of those who are vulnerable. We look forward to welcoming you.

❖ Harvest Supper/ Festival

We are planning to run our Harvest Supper on the evening of *Saturday 2nd October*, with our Harvest Festival on *Sunday 3rd October* when the preacher will be Rev. Phill Borkett.

AND FINALLY

❖ Cuttings, Seeds, Compost or Pots for the Community Garden

Autumn is when many flowers are going to seed, so I thought this would be a good opportunity to see if anyone might have some seeds or cuttings they could donate to our community garden. Stephen Ingamells has done a fantastic job of taming the lockdown jungle, so there are some cleared beds in need of plants. It would also be nice to gradually get some potted plants around the edges of the carpark/ around the Brick Street entrance and church in general so if you have some unwanted containers and compost/ spare soil, we'd love to relieve you of those too! Let Liz know if you have something to donate. Thanks very much, Liz (Harding).

❖ **St Tim's Lunch Club is Hiring**

St Tim's is hiring! We are looking for someone who can cook for our Lunch Club every Wednesday, to be served at 12:45pm. This job is a brilliant opportunity to help serve and get to know some of the older members of our community. To support our brilliant group of volunteers in providing a tasty, nutritious meal for people who often it's the only opportunity they get to socialise in the week.

The job is 6 hours per week, £9.49 per hour, 9am to 2pm on Wednesdays plus 1 hour of shopping. This contract is fixed term for 6 months. St Timothy's is a friendly, local Parish Church which is soon to become part of a partnership with The Vine, Sheffield.

For an Application Pack please email Siobhan Melville, admin@sttims.org.uk, 07421 463 541. Completed applications must be received by midnight on *Thursday 30th September*.

For an informal chat about the post please contact Hannah Saunders, hahabo88@gmail.com.

❖ **Church Burgesses Educational Foundation**

We are really pleased to say that our application to the Church Burgesses Educational Foundation for a grant of £4,000 towards our children, families and youth work has been successful! In the letter which they sent they had the following encouraging message for us, "May I take this opportunity to wish you all the very best with your continuing work. The Trustees hope that this grant funding will be a blessing to your church and the young people who engage in its work." Please continue to pray for the other applications that we have submitted and that are being considered (Circuit Mission Vision Team, Bramall Foundation, Jerusalem Trust and Methodist Youth Activities).

❖ **Sean on the Radio!**

Our own Sean Briscoe was on Radio Sheffield last Sunday morning talking about the Drop Inn at Wesley Hall. If you would like to listen back to his interview go to <https://www.bbc.co.uk/sounds/play/p09qrgwl> (free BBC login required) and then skip to 2:42:00. Enjoy!

❖ **Wonderful News**

Hello all, I shall be away for a couple of Sundays but I don't want to wait that long to tell you some good news. Andy and I are engaged! We went for a walk at a foggy and windy Burbage Edge last week and he pretended to have something in his shoe which turned out to be a ring. Anyway, have a lovely couple of weeks and I shall see you soon, Liz (Harding).

❖ **Christians Against Poverty**

Christians Against Poverty are looking for befrienders to come alongside people in debt who, with the help of debt advisers, are working to tackle their money problems. Befrienders are not debt advisers, just a friend who can take an interest in people struggling with debt, by phone or meeting up for a coffee and chat.

If you think you might be able to offer a few hours a week, please let me know and I can put you in touch with CAP organisers. Contact Rosemary on [REDACTED] or [REDACTED].

PRAYER POINTS

- ❖ We are struggling to find people who feel able and willing to help with TRIBE each week. We are so blessed within our church community with a really wonderful group of young people, so please hold them and the TRIBE leaders in your prayers.
- ❖ For the room hire, that new groups would book our available space so that we would be able to produce (and stick to!) a balanced budget next year
- ❖ Pray for our grant applications to Methodist Youth Activities, the Jerusalem Trust and the Bramall Foundation for funding towards our continued youth work over the next three years and for the generous grant we have recently received from the Church Burgesses.
- ❖ Pray for our meeting with the Circuit Mission Vision Team about our grant application, that it would go well and that you would be with those who attend from Wesley Hall
- ❖ For Liz and Andy on their engagement and for their future happiness together

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).