



Wesley Hall

Crookes, Sheffield



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Sunday 8th December 2013

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 services	10:30am	Preacher	Mr Aubrey Emerson
	6:00pm	Preacher	Rev John Simms (Prayer Service)

The stewards on duty today are Steve & Linda Wright

<i>Sunday 15th December</i>	<i>10:30am</i>	<i>Rev John Simms (Holy Communion)</i>	
<i>Sunday 22nd December</i>	<i>10:30am</i>	<i>TRIBE leading Nativity Service</i>	<i>6:00pm Carol Service</i>
<i>Tuesday 24th December</i>	<i>6:00pm</i>	<i>Christmas Eve Communion at Walkley Ebenezer</i>	
<i>Wednesday 25th December</i>	<i>9:30am</i>	<i>Christmas Day Celebration</i>	
<i>Sunday 29th December</i>	<i>10:30am</i>	<i>Mrs Joyce Wiles (united service with Walkley Ebenezer)</i>	

THIS WEEK...

❖ Church Flowers

Money for the flowers this week was kindly donated by Pat Wright.

❖ The Big Walkley Community Carol Sing

This will be held on **Tuesday 10th December** at 6:30pm at Walkley Ebenezer and coffee and mince pies will be served afterwards. A collection will be taken for the Christmas appeal for HARC (Homeless & Rootless at Christmas).

❖ Christmas Concert at Wesley Hall

On **Wednesday 11th December**, at 7:30pm, there will be a joint concert by the University of Sheffield Gospel Choir and the Steel City Concert Band at Wesley Hall. Tickets will be sold on the door (£5, £3 concessions) and the proceeds will go to the Christian Aid Philippines appeal.

❖ Sheffield Music Academy Concert

The Music Academy invites you to its big annual Christmas celebration taking place at Wesley Hall on **Saturday 14th December** at 7:30pm. This will feature performances from all choirs, junior ensemble, string and wind ensemble, brass ensemble, folk and rock groups and a selection of chamber pieces. Entry is free but with a suggested minimum donation of £5 on the door.

❖ A Twist in the Tale (the Story of the First Christmas)

Silhouette Theatre Company will be performing at Greenhill Methodist Church on **Saturday 14th December** at 7:00pm. This brand new Nativity show is for all the family. It promises to be loads of fun, with comedy and puppets, but never loses sight of the true meaning of Christmas. Tickets cost £3.50 (family ticket £10) and are available from Jonathan Haigh on [REDACTED].

COMING SOON...

❖ Welcoming New Members

On **Sunday 15th December** we will be welcoming five new members into the life of the Church. Anne Burridge, Neil Thompson & Jo Owens will be received by Confirmation, and Avril Clark & Jack Riley by Transfer. Anne will also be baptised during the service. Please remember them all in your prayers as we prepare to welcome them formally into the life of Wesley Hall.

❖ Worrall Male Voice Choir

Worrall Male Voice Choir presents 'A Christmas Celebration' with special guests, the Unite the Union Band, at 7:30pm on **Friday 20th December** at Wesley Hall. Tickets cost £7 (£6 concessions) and are available by calling 0845 601 4943 or emailing concerts@worrallmvc.org.uk.

AND FINALLY...

❖ JMA

Last week we presented Emily, Joseph, Lewis and Benjamin with their awards for collecting for JMA for another year. They collected £441.50 between them. Many thanks to all who contribute weekly. If you are interested in giving to this worthy cause or have a child who would like to collect, please see Carole Gray.

❖ Pianists Wanted

As I'm sure you've noticed, Rebekah will be gaining a brother or sister in January. As such, I am going to be out of action from playing the piano for a while. If you or anyone you know would be able and willing to play, then any help would be much appreciated, even if it's just a one off or once a month. Thanks, Emma.

❖ CLC Bookshop

Advent and Christmas resources – CLC has plenty of choice and loads of offers. Come and see! Late night opening until 7.30pm every Wednesday. NOTE: Make a group of at least ten people and have access to the shop on the evening of your choice. Yes, we will open after hours just for you! Date and time to suit; refreshments included. Contact us soon! We now sell used books and Bibles; prices start at just 25p and stock changes quickly. CLC Bookshops, 103 West Street, Sheffield S1 4EQ; (0114) 2812136; sheffield@clcbookshops.com. Shop online at www.clcbookshops.com; search for CLC Bookshops, Sheffield on facebook and twitter.

❖ Christmas in Crookes Poster

Representatives from all of the churches in Crookes have met and put together a poster giving details of services that are happening across all of the churches this Christmas. We have a large version up on our community notice board and there are small flyer versions at the back of church. If someone you know might be interested in coming along to a service this Christmas, please take some flyers to give to them. Also, if you would be willing to take a poster (either A3 or A4 size) and display it in your window for passers-by to see, please see Matt.

❖ Secondary Glazing & Crèche Re-launch

The secondary glazing will be installed this week. The rooms that will benefit from the new glazing are the Church Hall, Committee Room, Emmaus Room and Crèche. The Emmaus Room and Crèche will also be having insulation installed above the suspended ceiling tiles. Once this work is complete, we would like to bring the Crèche room back into use by offering it as a place where parents can leave their young children while they stay in the service. The new Crèche will have toys and figures which can be used to act out simple Bible stories, as well as a better range of age appropriate toys to play with. The Leadership Team has been discussing this but we realise that in order to offer a staffed crèche, we need volunteers to make it happen. If you would be willing to help look after the children in crèche on a rota basis, please see Matt.