



Wesley Hall

Crookes, Sheffield



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SUNDAY WORSHIP

Today we, along with many churches across the country, 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. They are currently looking at a series on the beatitudes and Rev Martyn Atkins (a previous principal of Cliff College) is preaching this week.

❖ Sheffield Methodist Circuit Streamed Services

[Greenhill Methodist Church](#)

[St Paul's Methodist Church, Dronfield](#)

[St Andrew's Psalter Lane Church](#)

[Carterknowle Methodist Church](#)

[Totle Rise Methodist Church](#)

[Christ Church, Stocksbridge](#)

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

❖ 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 week, we normally have a collection as part of Sunday morning worship. However, because that won't be possible for some time, 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 38 Aldred Road. 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, or just fancy a go, Christian Aid has produced a cryptic quiz about TV shows, which is attached in this week's e-mail. If you'd like to take part, please e-mail the answers to christianaid@wesleyhall.org.uk during the week. We'll then mark all entries and announce a winner. (There might even be a virtual prize!) Suggested donation for entry to the quiz is £5, although Christian Aid would be grateful for anything you could give. If you need any further information, please contact Andrea Killingsworth on 07766 399743 or Andrew Gray on 07963 435245.

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!

❖ **Weekly Offertory** *(updated)*

Thank you to everyone who usually gives using envelopes that has managed to find an alternative way of giving! What we are still missing, though, is the loose cash that was put in the offering plate as it went round during our Sunday worship. The total given in this way was up to £50 per week, but since the church building is closed and we are not meeting for worship, this has now reduced to zero.

If you are able to make a one off gift, in lieu of any missed offering plate donations, here are two 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.
- Make a bank transfer to Wesley Hall (just ask Matt for the bank details).

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