



# Wesley Hall

## Crookes, Sheffield



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## Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> February 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**      **Preacher**      **Erica Dunmow**  
The steward on duty is Emma Irons

*Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> February*    *10:30am*    *Local Arrangement*  
*Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> February*    *10:30am*    *Rev. Mike Jones (Holy Communion)*  
*Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> March*        *10:30am*    *Mr. Neil Craig*

## THIS WEEK

### ❖ **Worship in the Building – COVID Precautions**

- Please be considerate of those who wish to maintain social distancing and ask before sitting close to somebody.
- We are not passing the offering plate around, but there is one on the hatch where we serve tea/coffee. Please make use of it if you have brought an offering with you today.

### ❖ **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

## COMING SOON

### ❖ **Church Council**

Our next Church Council meeting is on *Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> March* at 7:30pm in the Emmaus Room, but also with a Zoom option. All are welcome to attend the meeting, but only Council members can vote on any decisions. Please pray for the meeting and let Mike or Matt know if there is anything you would like to go on the agenda. It is always good to welcome new members to Church Council so if you would like to have a greater involvement in decisions about the church, and can spare three or four evenings a year, please see Mike or Matt.

### ❖ **WEADS Panto**

Tickets for the Walkley Ebenezer Amateur Dramatic Society (WEADS) Pantomime, Beauty and the Beast, are now on sale! The performances are at 7:15pm on *Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup>, Thursday 16<sup>th</sup>,*

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**Minister** Mike Jones 07485 779 262  
**Centre Manager** Matt Irons 0114 267 9040

**Families** Neil Thompson 07412 124 310  
**Pre-teen & Youth** Jane Lasonder 07401 980 794

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*Friday 17<sup>th</sup> & Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> February*, with a 2:15pm matinee on the Saturday only. The cost is £6 for adults, £4 for children and tickets are available from Sue Mackley on [REDACTED].

❖ **Julian's Baptism**

Please join us in celebrating Julian's baptism, at 3pm on *Sunday 19th February* at St Mark's Church, Broomhill. There will be a shared lunch beforehand, from 1pm, and tea, cake & partying afterwards, to which you are all warmly welcome. For more details, and to let us know if you're planning to come along, see [tinyurl.com/juliansbaptism](http://tinyurl.com/juliansbaptism). - Ben & Jacque Ryan

❖ **Wesley Hall Annual Photo**

We used to take a photo each year on the steps outside the front of church and are looking to revive the tradition. Our first photo was to be taken after the TRIBE nativity in December, but many people were not able to make it that day due to the snow, so we will try again on *Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> February*. Everyone is welcome to be in the photo but if you would rather not, simply stay upstairs or hide around the corner out of shot!

❖ **Sheffield Methodist District Justice Quilt Project**

This project led is by the Sheffield Circuit Justice and Peace Group, soon to become the District Justice Seekers community of practice. The quilt will be based on the words of Micah 6:8 What does the Lord require of you? To act justly, to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God. Our quilt will be assembled from square blocks produced by individuals and groups across our district, and is to be unveiled on 22<sup>nd</sup> April at the District Gathering, on a theme of, 'How to be a JUST church in an UNJUST world?', addressing both how we relate well to each other, and how we are called to respond to the world around us. please go to <https://www.sheffieldcircuit.org.uk/lib/F721979.pdf> for further information on how to get involved (or ask Matt for a printout).

## **CHILDREN & FAMILIES**

➤ Our next Messy Church will be held on *Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> March*.

## **AND FINALLY**

❖ **The Connexion Magazine**

The new edition of The Connexion is out! It is free and there are copies for you to take home on the heater at the back of church. It is full of inspiring stories from around the Methodist Church and a good way to keep up with what our fellow Methodists around the country are up to.

❖ **Thank You**

In appreciation of the support and best wishes, expressed in many ways, following my operation, and as I make progress. Val S.

❖ **Thank You & Goodbye to Jane**

Just to let you all know that I am leaving my role as Youth Worker at Wesley Hall and will finish by the February half term.

I feel really bad about leaving so soon but I realised soon after starting it wasn't possible for me. On paper the bus journey from Dinnington to Crookes looked fine (a total of 3 hours return which I thought was OK) but in reality with many buses being cancelled and bad traffic, plus having to wait in the dark at the Interchange where I just missed a bus or it was cancelled sometimes meaning an hour wait and then walking through a dark town centre were too much

for me. It was taking me 2 hours to get to work and around 3 to get home which is a total of 5 hours travelling.

As it was a part time job of 14 hours I thought it would be easy to combine with my other work, the anti-trafficking task force I've set up and my international speaking, but this has taken off faster than I could have imagined, meaning lots of travel abroad, being part of a work team with the UN, the OSCE and the WHO. The youth need consistency and not me being away a week every month, so I decided to step down from my role at Wesley Hall.

Working with your young people has been a lovely experience as they are amazing and it's been an honour to get to know them. The Drop Inn youth are a great bunch and many good things have happened and its awesome that Wesley Hall does this and has such good contact with schools in the area. The school Assistant Head has told me they are so happy to have this contact.

The volunteers at both WHY and Drop Inn are inspiring as they work so hard and are committed to the youth. Matt has been amazing too and was a massive support and help and I see his heart for Wesley Hall. It has been lovely getting to know Mike too and watch him connect with WHY and Drop in and see his heart for the youth.

I won't forget Wesley Hall and the lovely welcome I had and I'm sorry to leave. Lots of love to you all x Jane.

*(We have a card for Jane at the back of church, so please do take a moment to sign it).*

#### ❖ **Turkey–Syria Earthquake Emergency Donations**

I am sure we have all been moved by the unfolding events of the catastrophic earthquake in Turkey causing thousands of structures to crumble in both southern Turkey and north western Syria. The seismic shock was followed by numerous strong aftershocks, and another quake hit the area nine hours later. According to reports, the disaster has claimed over thousands of lives, with officials anticipating the death toll to increase in the coming days.

All We Can (the Methodist Church's international development and relief organisation) will be responding to the earthquake and rescue efforts. Their initial response is centred in Syria given access to existing networks for the most vulnerable, through their partners in the region. All We Can have supported refugees prior to the earthquake and will continue to support them during this time of extended vulnerability.

Should you wish to make a financial donation you can donate online at <https://www.allwecan.org.uk/donate/syrian-earthquake-emergency-donations/> or via the collection plate, putting your donation in an envelope marked Turkey-Syria Earthquake Donation, and we will send this on.

#### ❖ **Breath Deep**

On Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> January WHY went to an event together called Breath Deep which was held in the glorious Sheffield Cathedral. Breathe Deep is a youth event organised by a group of youth workers in the Sheffield Diocese aimed at 11-18 year olds. Many of the youth come from smaller churches or youth groups so meeting together in such large numbers is an amazing opportunity to make new friends and worship, eat, chat and do activities together. We had a brilliant time!

The day started with a welcome and a time of worship with a band followed by a small God talk by guest speaker Colly Kamili. After this we all split into different groups and there were workshops to go to on different subjects, such as social justice, prayer, quiet times and many more. It was then time for question time and fun and then lunch which was subway rolls,

cookies and crisps. After lunch we had a brilliant afternoon with many activities to choose from, a photo booth, TV studio where groups could make small films together, circus skills, crafts and a football & basketball shootout. In one room was even a nerf shootout. Outside was a cavepod where you had to crawl through like a cave diver, it looked scary but WHY youth were very brave and all had a go. The afternoon ended with another time of worship and prayer. Louise, Jonathan and I loved spending the day with WHY and other youth and youth workers and we all had an amazing day. Jane.

## Wesley Hall Youth



### PRAYER POINTS

- ❖ Please pray for those know to us who are ill or recovering from surgery.
- ❖ Please pray for all those who have suffered in the Turkey-Syria Earthquake and for all those people and organisations that are assisting in the rescue missions.
- ❖ Please pray for Andrea and Mercy Ships as they overcome difficulties following a major cyber-attack.
- ❖ Please continue to pray for a resolution to the war in Ukraine, that peace may prevail.
- ❖ Please continue to remember Mike and his family in prayers, as he returns to work; that he is able to strike the right balance as he continues to recover.
- ❖ Please pray for Wesley Wigglers, which runs on a Thursday; we have had a number of new mums attend; please pray that they continue to come, and that Wigglers will continue to grow.

**If you have any prayer points to include in the newsletter please pass them to the Editor.**