



# Wesley Hall

## Crookes, Sheffield



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## Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> July 2024

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**      **Louise Etherington (with speaker from Compassion UK)**  
The steward on duty is Jenny Jones

*Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> July*    10:30am    *Rev. Michelle Deans (Holy Communion)*

*Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> July*    10:30am    *United Service at Wisewood*

*Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> August*    10:30am    *Local arrangement*

## THIS WEEK

### ❖ Youth Worker Recruitment

We are now recruiting for a full time youth worker to work across Wesley Hall, Hillsborough and Wisewood Methodist Churches! Please pass this on to anyone you know who might be interested (ask them to contact Matt for details), and pray that God will provide the right person to fill this post.

This week have also heard back from Methodist Youth Activities who have awarded us a grant of £5,000 per year for three years towards the youth worker, which is fantastic news!

### ❖ Listed Building Advisory Committee

This *Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> July*, the Methodist Church's Listed Building Advisory Committee will be meeting to consider the church's application for the installation of solar panels on selected roof faces at Wesley Hall. Please hold this meeting in your prayers, as well as the grant applications currently being considered to fund this work.

### ❖ Circuit Prayer Gathering

The Circuit Prayer Gathering will be taking place as usual *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

(Telephone connection: 020 3481 5237)

### ❖ **Church Gathering: Update & Prayers**

There is a lot happening in the life of Wesley Hall at the moment, covering youth, property, finance, and mission. Emma has agreed to host a meeting on Zoom on *Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July* from 7:30pm to 8:30pm to update everyone on these different aspects of the church's life and mission, followed by some time spent in prayer. We look forward to seeing you there!

<https://zoom.us/j/93056426973?pwd=BV1L0msRD8sPzV4BbP26anfumbWaTr.1>

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## **COMING SOON**

### ❖ **Coat of Hopes**

The Coat of Hopes is a patchwork coat that is on an ongoing walk through Britain. Made, worn and walked by hundreds of people during and since its pilgrimage from the south coast of England to COP 26, the UN climate summit, in Glasgow in autumn 2021. The Coat is made up of pieces of blanket into which people have worked their griefs, remembrances, prayers and hopes for the place they call home. It carries an invitation to share our love and responsibility in facing this climate and ecological emergency.

The coat is currently touring Sheffield and will be at Wesley Hall on *Monday 5<sup>th</sup> August*. It will be on display in the entrance area so people can see it from outside. Matt is on annual leave that week, so it would be great to have someone to be the contact for drop off and pick up on the day. If you can do this, please let Matt know.

### ❖ **Circuit Leaving Service**

There will be a Circuit service on *Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> July* at 3pm at Wisewood Methodist Church to say farewell to Rev. Lisa Quarmby and Rev. Mike Jones. Save the date, more information will follow.

### ❖ **Sewing Session**

Jacque will be in the Emmaus room on *Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> July* trying to work out how on earth to sew a wearable item of clothing! If you'd like to bring your own project and have company in our endeavours, then let Jacque know.

### ❖ **Local Arrangement Service: Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> August – Songs of Praise**

We do not have a preacher planned to come and deliver our morning worship on Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> August. So, I was thinking that we could spend the morning worshipping God by singing some of our favourite hymns/songs.

It would be really helpful if a number of people would be willing to contribute, by choosing a hymn/song and being willing to share for just a couple of minutes about why they have chosen it and what it means to them.

Please let Emma know if you are willing to take part, by Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> July.

## CHILDREN & FAMILIES

### ❖ Help Please!

We are running very low on cereal boxes, kitchen roll inner tubes, small jars (but we only want the ones where the labels come off super easily without leaving the sticky residue) and egg cartons (we only want the 6 egg boxes, with the hinge on the long side). If you use any of the above and don't mind saving your recycling for us, please drop them off in the office. Thank you!

### ❖ Toy Wash

The Toddler Group toy wash is this *Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> July*, from 10am – 11:30am. It's the time of year we clean everything, if anyone has a few hours to spare and would like to come and help, it's usually a very chilled morning.

### ❖ Summer Fun Day

Our joint event with St Tim's is a Fun Day this year, on *Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> August* from 1:00 – 4:00pm here at Wesley Hall. This is aimed at families for parents to come with their children so do come along.

We really need a few more volunteers to make this a great day, so if you're free and can help with a craft, activity, serving tea and coffee, welcoming people, setting up, clearing up, or just being a friendly face please let Jacque know as soon as you can. Thank you!

## AND FINALLY...

### ❖ Joint Churches Events

Thank you to those who came to the joint churches hustings last week, and to those holding it in their prayers. We had 7 candidates and well over 100 people in attendance. The feedback we've had so far has been very positive, and I'm really pleased with how it went.

If anyone is interested in getting involved in the joint churches planning group please talk to Jacque Ryan. It's a very lovely way of getting to know people across the churches. Please note this group focuses on eco and environmental issues.

### ❖ Welcome Desk

One of the ideas that has emerged from our work exploring how to reach out to building users, is to have a welcome desk. The idea is to have someone from the church present in the space to offer a welcoming smile and opportunity for conversation to further develop relationships with those coming into our church during the week. The Leadership Team have identified two slots in the week when there are a high concentration of people in or coming through the church foyer.

These are:

- Mondays between 4pm and 5pm (when parents are waiting in the entrance area while their children have their Taekwondo lessons)
- Tuesdays between 9:15am and 10:45am (when people are coming and going for Slimming World and the Zumba class)

We thought it might be a good idea to trial the welcome desk idea at these times.

If this sounds like something God might be calling you to do, please let either Michelle or Emma know. We appreciate this might seem a bit daunting, so the idea is that those interested will meet together and have some training, before we begin this work.

## **PRAYER POINTS**

- ❖ We are so blessed with an incredible group of young people in our church. TRIBE doesn't run over the summer, so we'd like to invite you to hold both the young people and those running TRIBE in your prayers during the break. We're currently struggling to find enough volunteers to go down each week, so we'd appreciate prayers around that especially.
- ❖ Please pray for the solar panel installation, for approval from the Methodist Church and grant support from both the Low Carbon Community & Culture Fund, and nPower Business Solutions. Please pray that the decisions would be made quickly so the project can go ahead this year.
- ❖ Please pray for the recruitment of our joint youth worker, for approval of grant applications to the Bramall Foundation and Hillards Charitable Trust, and that God is preparing the right person for the job.
- ❖ For new users to boost our room hire income and help meet our running costs this year.
- ❖ For our application to the Benefact Trust for a car park resurfacing grant, that it would be successful and progress quickly
- ❖ For the continued exploration of how we can use our building and location to reach out and serve the people of Crookes