Wesley Hall
Crookes, Sheffield



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Sunday 15th November 2026

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. If you would prefer to read from a book, please visit the bookcase at the back of church. There you will find hymn books, bibles and large print books.

Our minister is Rev Andrew Atkins, who also serves as minister to Hillsborough Trinity, Wisewood and Victoria Hall Methodist Churches. Our worship is led on a rota basis by Andrew, and local preachers from across other Methodist churches in Sheffield.

As a Methodist Church we are called to be a growing, inclusive, evangelistic and justice-seeking church. For more information, please see www.methodist.org.uk.

Today's service 10:30am. Rev. Ian Bell (Holy Communion)

The Steward on duty is Jo Owens

Sunday 22nd November 10:30am	*Brian Jones*
Sunday 29th November 10:30am	*Chris Sissons*
Sunday 6th December 10:30am	*Glenn Evans*

THIS WEEK

❖ 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)

❖ Coffee Morning

Our coffee mornings are held on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month from 10:00am to 11:30am, so the next one is *Wednesday 18th November*.

The group is a lovely social time with people from Wesley Hall and the Crookes community. Some people bring their crafts to work on, and others come for a chat. Please share with anyone you know who may benefit from coming; everyone is welcome.

❖ Bible Study

Wesley Hall Bible study will be on *Wednesday 18th November* in the Antioch Room here at Wesley Hall. We have now finished our bible study looking at the book of Ruth. Next *Wednesday 18th November,* we will meet in the Antioch room from 7:30pm to 9:30pm to pray. All are welcome.

❖ **Drop Inn**

Jason has finished working here now but we are still looking to continue running Drop Inn and our Sunday evening our youth group. Matt is putting together rotas to make sure we have enough volunteers, but we are a bit short for some of the upcoming Drop Inn sessions. Drop Inn run from 2:30pm to 4:30pm and we serve hot chocolate and biscuits to about 80 young people. If you are able to come and help, especially on *Tuesday 17th and 24th November*, and *15th December* please let Matt know.

❖ **Church Council**

The Wesley Hall Church Council (our Trustee body) is meeting this *Thursday 19th November* at 7:30pm in the Sanctuary. Everyone is welcome to come along to the meeting, but only members can vote on any decisions made. We are always looking for new members, so please do feel free to come and long and see what it is like!

❖ **Circuit Weekly Devotions 2026**

Over the next few weeks up to the start of Advent, members of the circuit staff are producing a weekly 10 minute prayer resource to watch on you tube. This will go out on a Wednesday morning and you can use it at any time of the week. Each week you will be introduced to a member of the Circuit Staff Team, who will lead us in prayer.
The link for the you tube page is https://www.sheffieldcircuit.org.uk/newsroom/circuit-weekly-devotions-2026.html Please make use of the resource and pass it on to others.

COMING SOON

❖ **Christmas Fair – Can You Please Help?**

Our Christmas Fair is on *Saturday 28th November* and will feature the usual mix of stalls, with a café serving cakes, drinks and lunches plus performances from the Lydgate Infants, Wisewood Community Choir, and Steel City Voices. Pop the date in your diary and come along on the day to make a start on your Christmas shopping!

- We need plenty of cakes baking to sell on the day as well as volunteers to help to serve, wash up and help clear the tables in the café. Also, having some people around to greet those who are arriving, answer any questions, or sit with those who may be alone in the café would be fantastic. If you can help, please sign up on the sheet at the back of church or let Matt know.
- Louise is gathering items to make a hamper to raffle off at the fair. There is a list at the back of church to sign up for an item.
- Lesley is running a church stall at the fair so tombola prizes and small items of bric a brac would be gratefully received.

❖ **Wesley Hall Quiz Night**

Bernie and Chris (Quiz Masters at the Peacock, Stannington) will be leading the quiz from 7.30pm to 9:30pm (arrive from 7.00pm) on *Saturday 28th November 2026*. The cost will be £5 per person including a chip butty supper. Come as an individual and you can join a team or bring your own team. Everyone welcome. The money raised will go to the ongoing running costs at Wesley Hall. Please speak to Lesley for more information.

- **Methodist Women in Britain**

  We have some confirmed dates from MWiB for their upcoming events. The first is *Friday 11th December* for their Christmas Carols and Lunch at Bents Green church, starting at 11am. For the lunch, tickets are £12.

  Their 'Swanwick Retreat' will be *9th-11th April 2027*, with the theme 'Arise and Shine-Wellness'. Tickets cost £210, with a deposit of £100 securing a place; booking opens on 6th November.

  For details of other future events in the new year, please see Louise Etherington.

- **Messy Church**

  A massive thank you to everyone who prays for, volunteers at, comes to Messy Church! Our Christmas Messy Church is on *Saturday 12th December*.

- **Scratch Nativity**

  Getting in the Christmas spirit - our scratch nativity is always a highlight (in my opinion). This year it's on *Sunday 20th December*. Put it in your diary, bring your kids, dibs the grandkids, invite the neighbours, share it with the school friends, keep it in your prayer, etc.

AND FINALLY…

- **Trees on Crookes**

  My name is Saoirse, I moved to the area this year and have started volunteering with Crookes Forum. You may have spotted - but we're running a crowdfunder to get some much needed trees along Crookes road! The link is here https://sponsor.treesforstreets.org/crowdfunder/trees-for-crookes and any support would be amazing (the deadline is 30th of November).

- **Kairos II**

  In previous years, a memorial about Palestine has been brought to Conference. At the 2026 Conference, the item was called Kairos II (A Moment of Truth: Faith in a Time of Genocide). Two copies of an accompanying book have been purchased for each church. If you would like to read one of the Wesley Hall copies, please see Matt.

PRAYER POINTS

- Pray for our application to the Strength and Growth fund, and that our request for support to boost our reserves would be successful.
- Pray for Jason as he moves to his new job, and for the leadership team as we consider how best to continue youth work at Wesley Hall.
- Pray for our application to the Heritage Fund. Pray that things would progress quickly and those administering the fund would look favourably on our project.
- Pray for an increase in bookings to bring our room hire income up to match our expenditure.
- Pray for protection on the building and all the equipment in it, so that we won't have any unexpected repairs bills.
- We had a youth bonfire on Saturday night, WHY (Wesley Hall Youth) & Friends. Prayers for the youth & families who came as well as prayers for WHY moving forward would be appreciated.
- Pray for those we know who are suffering, for those who are sick, those who are anxious and those who are grieving.