



Wesley Hall

Part of Wesley Ebenezer
Methodist Church

Minister: Rev. John Simms
www.wesleyhall.org.uk



Sunday 17th April 2011

Palm Sunday

We Welcome You to Worship Today.

We hope you find a warm welcome, particularly if you are with us for the first time. If we don't manage to speak to you personally and you would like more information, please pick up a welcome card and leaflet. All song words are projected onto the wall above the dais or can be found in the books provided. Separate song sheets are available at the back of church for any songs that are not in the hymn books. Recordings of our Sunday morning services are usually available, please see Matt Irons.

**Today's service: 10:30 am: Preacher Rev. Daniel Pratt Morris Chapman "A Place of Calling"
(Holy Communion)**

The Steward on duty will be Dennis Kettlewell

Next Week – Easter Sunday 24th April

8:15 am Preacher Rev John Simms

10:30 am: Preacher Nell Shallow "A Place of Transformation"
Worship Leader Louise Etherington
The Steward on duty will be Dorothy White

HOLY WEEK AT WESLEY HALL...

❖ "Wilderness" - Lent Art Exhibition

This is the final week of the "Wilderness Art Exhibition". Please take the opportunity to come along with your family and friends to see the exhibition if you have not already done so. There will be a closing meditation at the event on Good Friday evening.

❖ Lent Study - "The Whole Story"

The Bible is a remarkable book. If you open a Bible at random you could come across poetry, proverbs, history, love-songs, architectural details or a national legal code. This amazing collection of literature was drawn together by numerous authors over a period of hundreds of years, yet amazingly – miraculously, even – it still tells one consistent story.

This story is not like any other story you are likely to come across. The Bible story claims to be the ultimate story which explains why the universe exists, why the world is the way it is and where the whole of creation is heading. It is a story that makes a claim on your life: which says that you were created for a purpose and which tells you what that purpose is.

The meeting starts at 7:30 p.m.

Monday 18th April Walkley Act 5 – The Future

❖ **Holy Week Services:**

We will be holding the following early evening services from 7.00pm to 7.30pm at Wesley Hall:

Tuesday 19th April - Roy Bellamy

Wednesday 20th April – Judith Simms

❖ **Wednesday Group 20th April at 7:30pm**

The Wednesday Group will be holding their Easter Evening at 7:30pm on 20th April. All are welcome.

❖ **Agape Meal/Service Maundy Thursday 21st April.**

Walkley Ebenezer have invited us to join them on Maundy Thursday 21st April at 7:00pm for a shared meal (provided by them). We need to sign the sheet on the notice board to let them know how many of us will be going so please do so as soon as possible. Thanks, Dorothy.

❖ **Good Friday - 22nd April**

On Good Friday we will be holding a Walk of Witness starting at 10.00am from Wesley Hall going to Walkley Ebenezer. Please try to come along. There will be a Good Friday Service at Walkley starting at 11.00am all are welcome

❖ **Easter Breakfast**

At 8:15 am on Easter Sunday morning, 24th April, there will be a Communion Service, at Wesley Hall followed by breakfast, with our friends from Walkley Ebenezer. All are welcome. There will also be a service at 10:30 am at Wesley Hall led by Nell Shallow.

❖ **Messy Church**

Messy Church will not be meeting on Thursdays until after Easter. Please have a word with Rachel, Sue, Louise or Andrea to ask how it is going and what is planned for the future.

COMING SOON...

❖ **Network Easter Offering Service.**

This will take place on **Sunday 8th May** at 3:00pm at Wesley Ebenezer at Walkley. The speaker is Judith Simms and the theme is "Seeds of Life – Harvest, Hope and Wholeness for all God's Children" written by Judith.

❖ **Fairtrade Fashion Show**

A "Fashion Show" is coming up next month - April 27th and 28th at The Blue Shed, 410 Brightside Lane, Sheffield S9 2SP. Tickets £5.00 from  admin@sheffsthcircuit@f9.co.uk.



❖ **Annual Church Meeting Tuesday 17th May**

Wesley Hall's Annual Church Meeting will be held on 17th May. We will have a faith tea at 6:30 pm followed by the meeting at 7.30 pm.

❖ Church Membership

John is planning on running Church Membership classes on the following dates: please let him know if you are interested.

Tuesday 3rd May, Tuesday 10th May, Thursday 19th May, and Tuesday 24th May

These will be held at the Manse, 8 Reservoir Road S10 1EY and will start at 7:30 p.m.

Rev John L Simms Tel: 0114 266 0010. email: minister@wesleyhall.org.uk

- ❖ **Sons of Korah**, are an Australian band who put Psalms to music. They are set to visit the UK next month and are in **Sheffield** on Tuesday 3rd May at 7:30 pm Sons of Korah and Freddie Kofi (a musical journey into the psalms) at Greenhill Methodist Church. Tickets £8, Concessions £5.



Sons of Korah, who have impacted tens of thousands of people with the spirituality of the psalms, take audiences on a journey through emotions - from the depths of despair to the heights of praise.

The concerts have been arranged by Bible Society as part of Biblefresh, a multi-agency campaign celebrating the 400th anniversary of the King James Bible, which aims to help people have a new confidence and excitement in using the Bible.

Don't miss out on the chance to experience the Bible in a fresh and memorable way. Please do bring your friends, and also share this with your church - we would really value your support.

We look forward to seeing you there! More information from Emma Irons.

❖ Christian Aid Week 15th - 21st May

Christian Aid week this year will be **15th to 21st May**. This is where envelopes asking for donations are delivered in various roads in Crookes and collected. Please let me know if you are able to collect on a street. Thanks for the great team work last year.

On **Saturday 21st May** we will be counting the monies collected in the morning as usual and there will be refreshments and lunch served plus a cake stall. If you are able please bake a cake or buns for the stall and give them to Margaret Gray or Pat Wright. Please speak to Andrea if you are able to help on the day by serving in the kitchen or counting the monies collected. Offers to make a home made soup for the lunch would also be appreciated.

Thanks Andrea

FROM THE DISTRICT...

- ❖ Rachel McCallam and Mark Wigglesworth, the Diocese of Sheffield Mission Co-ordinator, will be delivering a Mission-Shaped Ministry intro course in May and June this year. If any church is willing to host a course, please let Rachel know on [REDACTED]. Further information on the course can be found at:

http://www.sheffieldmethodist.org/downloads/weeklymailing/msm_30062011.pdf

- ❖ **Christian Aid – May Day Trek Bolsterstone May Day Bank Holiday Monday, 2 May 2011**

This annual sponsored walk will be a great day out for families and seasoned walkers alike. The 5, 10 or 15-mile routes bring hundreds of people together to enjoy a spring walk on the edge of the Peak District. It is a slightly different and less challenging route than last year, so

dust off your boots again and join us and raise money to support communities across the world to lift themselves out of poverty.

The Trek is fully marshaled, with toilet facilities, first aid and refreshment points.

To register visit www.sheffieldmaydaytrek.org.uk or contact Bridget on email: maydaywalk@gmail.com or phone [REDACTED].

The organisation of the trek requires the help of quite a number of volunteers on the day. Whilst we have a good team of regular helpers new volunteers are always welcome. If you would like to help and be involved with the Trek, but think the hike itself might be a step too far, please email info@sheffieldmaydaytrek.org.uk.

❖ **New Worship Stewards Wanted**

Our thanks go to Simone who has stepped down from being a Worship Steward. This leaves us with only 4 stewards. 1 or 2 more stewards would make the job much easier. Please have a word with Dorothy, our Senior Steward, if you feel you can help in this important role within the church.

AND FINALLY...

❖ **2012 Fund Raising**

To help raise funds for this, we would like to have your **Family Favourite Recipes** to compile a new Wesley Hall Recipe Book. Categories could include World Foods, Vegetarian, Special Dietary needs e.g. gluten free, diabetic, also quick tea time Starters, Sweet Treats, Granny's favourites etc We would like to pass them on just like the TV PROGRAMME "Hairy Bikers Mum's Knows Best", where Mom's cook their favourite recipes then they are invited to cook them at a fair where everyone can taste them.

Then using some ideas from the New Book we will be having a Food Fair where we can sell some of the food and also the New Book and share in a time of fellowship together. So please let Tina & John Owen or Andrea have your recipes as soon as possible before Easter so we can compile them into a book. Please pray for this idea because I believe it can be a fruitful and a blessing for this community. Thanks Tina and John



The editor for the month of April is Steve. Please place items for the newsletter in the pigeon hole, send an e-mail to newsletter@wesleyhall.org.uk or call on [REDACTED] by Wednesday evening