



Wesley Hall

Crookes, Sheffield



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Sunday 20th June 2021

We are now holding our Zoom services every other week, with the dates of our next two services below. We invite you to explore the other worship options (these are available on the last page) on the weeks when we are not meeting via Zoom. Our Zoom services are also available to watch on YouTube. They are unlisted videos so are not available to people searching YouTube and can only be accessed using a direct link. If you would like the link, or would prefer a DVD or audio recording of the services, just ask Matt.

Sunday 27 th June	10:30am	David Harris
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THIS WEEK

❖ Fellowship Group

Our Thursday Fellowship Group meets again on Thursday at 8pm via Zoom. We are looking at Ephesians over the next few weeks and all are welcome. Please ask Andrea for more information or for the Zoom details.

❖ Toddlers – appeal for kitchen help!

If anyone is able to volunteer in the kitchen for the morning toddlers this week, it would be very much appreciated! Approximately 10am-12pm.

COMING SOON

❖ Return to Worship in the Building

Church Council met this week and has agreed to a return to worship in the building from next Sunday 27th June. This will look very different from our usual worship, with strict COVID safety measures in place, which will need to be followed by everyone. More details will come out in the week but the basic plan is:

- Consider taking a lateral flow COVID test on the morning before coming to worship (available free to all adults from your local pharmacy)
- Come into the building wearing a face covering over your nose and mouth (we will have disposable face coverings available)
- A welcome steward will take your name (for test and trace), ask you to sanitise your hands and check that you are wearing a face covering
- Upstairs, a welcome steward will show to you a seat
- The steward will place printed crosses on the next few chairs to ensure a 2m distance is kept between you and the next person/ family group
- You must keep your mask on at all times, even while seated
- We will not be able to sing, but hymns will be played for us to listen to
- At the end of the service, the upstairs welcome steward will ask everyone to leave in rows

- We will not be able to serve drinks or chat while inside the building
- But if the weather is good, we are planning to go outside to sing the last hymn together

This is going to take more organising than usual, so we will need more welcome stewards than usual, ideally one downstairs and two upstairs. If you are able to help out on the welcome rota, even just in the short term while COVID safety measures are in place, please let Alison know ([REDACTED]). While we are not able to service drinks, would those on the coffee rota consider helping out on the welcome rota? Please do think about this because if we don't have enough welcome stewards, we won't be able to meet.

If possible, please could you let Matt know if you are intending to come by Wednesday 23rd June. This is not a booking system, but having an idea of numbers will help with planning the room and chair layout.

There will also be a live stream of the service on our YouTube channel at <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCdIGTqNSsCtchdODUN8zjcg/featured>.

❖ TRIBE

We are also hoping to bring back TRIBE on Sunday 27th June, with the children sitting within their family group for the first part of the service, and then going out for their own groups. It is really important that our children are able to return at the same time as the adults, especially since our Zoom worship has been less appropriate for them, but we will need some volunteers to make this happen. There are only four Sundays to cover until the school holidays (27th June, 4th July, 11th July and 18th July) and if you are able to help on just one of those dates, that would be fantastic. If you can help, or have any questions, please let Jacque know (07412 124 310 or families@wesleyhall.org.uk).

AND FINALLY

❖ Gift Day 2021

Our Gift Day was last week, with all money going to support the employment of both a Families & Community Co-ordinator and a Preteen & Youth Worker. If you have not yet given but would like to, it is not too late! We are very happy to accept gifts at any time by cash, cheque, bank transfer or standing order (but please make it clear that your donation is for Gift Day). Gifts are welcome as a one-off or spread over the year on a quarterly, monthly or weekly basis. Also, we now have a new online giving page at <https://www.give.net/wesleyhallcfy> so can now accept Gift Day donations via a credit/debit card. Thank you very much for your generous support to date. If you have any questions about Gift Day, please contact Matt.

❖ Christian Aid Week

This year during Christian Aid week, a total of £808.82 has been raised, through Wesley Hall. This includes £250 from church members who donated by cheque or cash rather than online. Of the two collectors who both dropped off the envelopes and went back to collect them, an impressive total of £269.66 was raised. The other five volunteers dropped off the envelopes with an address to return donations, if this was preferred to giving online; a further £284.10 was raised from those households. We will not know how much was donated online but the total raised above is encouraging. If you still want to make a donation, you can do so online using this link: [Christian Aid Week 2021 - Christian Aid](#). Many thanks for your donations to help those suffering from the terrible impact of climate change. God bless, Andrea.

❖ Wesley Hall Garden

Well, with months of people being at home, the Wesley Hall Garden has become a bit neglected, although the clematis did flower in lockdown and looked beautiful. Liz (Harding) would appreciate some help and thoughts about what we do with the space going forward.

What are your favourite flowers? Would you be interested in lending a hand with it? How many people wanting to be involved (from church or the community) will decide whether we plant higher maintenance things like veg or have it more as just a nice place for people to sit.

If you have ideas or would like to find out more, Liz would love to hear from you!

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❖ Wesley Hall Working Party!

We are blessed with a large building, but it takes a lot of work to keep it maintained and in good repair. Most of this work can only be done by contractors, but there are still a number of smaller jobs that we could tackle ourselves. We are looking to put together a working party to begin some of these jobs, like clearing weeds and painting windows and railings. If you are interested in getting involved, please call John Jenkinson on ████████████████████ or e-mail him at ████████████████████. All are welcome; no knowledge or special skills required!

PRAYER POINTS

- ❖ For those who are putting together grant applications for the continued employment of our families and youth lay workers; that they would be able to find the right funders, and that applications would be successful so that we are able to raise all the money we need.
- ❖ For the bookings and budget for next year; that we would have enough groups using the building to meet the running costs of the building and that new groups would continue to come and meeting at Wesley Hall.
- ❖ For Jacque as she returns to work, that the transition would go well, and that Brendan would settle in his childcare.
- ❖ For Claire as she moves on; that she would be able to find a new job soon.
- ❖ For all the groups that share our building as they return to face-to-face meetings; for all the children's groups that have already returned; please pray that everyone will be kept safe.
- ❖ Give thanks for the successful reopening of our Toddler Group, and for continued safety for those who are running it and those who come.
- ❖ Pray for our application to Methodist Youth Activities for a grant towards our continued youth work over the next three years.
- ❖ The situation with COVID in India; that the spread of the virus would slow and that medical supplies would reach the country to help treat those who are ill.

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).

SUNDAY WORSHIP

Today we will not be worshipping in our church building, 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.

❖ Sheffield Methodist Circuit Streamed Services

[Victoria Hall](#)

[Greenhill Methodist Church](#)

[Coal Aston Methodist Church](#)

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

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

[Carterknowle Methodist Church](#)

[Totley Rise Methodist Church](#)

[Stocksbridge Christian Centre](#) (as Part of the Cornerstone Mission Partnership)

[Christ Church Stocksbridge](#)

[Stephen Hill Methodist Church](#)

[St Andrew's Gosforth Valley](#)

[Church of Christ, Darnall](#)

[Victoria Stafford Road](#)

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.