



Wesley Hall Methodist Church



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Sunday 21st February 2010

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 John Simms (Holy Communion)

There is no Worship Leader today

The steward on duty today is Pat Singleton

<i>And next week</i>	<i>10:30 am: Preacher</i>	<i>Mr. Peter Collins</i>
<i>28th February</i>	<i>Worship Leader</i>	<i>Louise Etherington</i>
	<i>The steward will be</i>	<i>Gareth Hardy</i>

THIS WEEK...

Christ Exploded...



This is a youth program designed to provide a forum of interaction for young people as we discover and develop our gifts, with Christ as the centre-piece. We express ourselves through music, debates, dancing, poetry, quizzes, drama, games, crossword puzzles and many more as we study the Word and enjoy food, fun and fellowship.

- Today we shall have a **Bible Quiz**. Please do join us in the Emmaus Room on Sunday at 11am.
- Please note that we will not meet the following two Sundays i.e. 28th February and 07th March. The next Christ Exploded will be on 14th March, in which our topic will be '**Beauty**'. Please do come along. For more information please talk to Louise or Silas.

❖ Faith Comes by Hearing...

So as to encourage more people to read and know the Bible we will be playing an **Audio Bible** on Sunday for 20min before the service starts. If you would like to listen to this please do come early, by 10am.

❖ Fair Trade Fortnight 2010-Monday 22nd February to Sunday 7th March

The bad news is that because of a number of failures in communication this year the ecumenical witness will not take place. The churches in Crookes will all be doing their own thing to further the cause of Fair Trade.

Fair trade Events at Wesley Hall

The shop will be open Friday lunchtime as usual, and hopefully other lunchtimes at the Lite-Bite Café.

Saturday 27th February 10am-2pm Coffee Morning. Sale in the foyer. A variety of Fair Trade teas to taste. Lunches at 12noon in aid of James Simms' Kenya Expedition.

Sunday 28th February 10:30am. Worship led by Peter Collins, Traidcraft representative from Gateshead.

❖ **Breakfast Club Sunday 28th February**

The Thursday Fellowship Group will be hosting the next Breakfast Club next Sunday the 28th February at 9:30am in the Church Hall. All are welcome, please come along.

Lite Bite Cafe

The café is open in the Church Hall from 10:00am to 2:30pm on Monday, Tuesday and Friday serving tea, coffee and snacks. Main meals are served between 12:00noon and 2:00pm from just £1.50. Our lunch club meets on Thursdays at 12 noon with a main course, sweet and tea or coffee for £3:50. The café and lunch club are part of our joint project with Barnado's so please come along. Volunteer helpers would be particularly welcome on a Thursday, please see Steve Wright if you are interested in being part of our team.

COMING SOON...

❖ **Kim Williams' Ordination**

If anyone is interested in attending Kim Williams' Ordination Service on Sunday 27th June 2010 at Chandler's Ford Methodist Church, Hants, could they let John Simms know as soon as possible so that tickets can be ordered. Arrangements for transport can be sorted out nearer the time.

❖ **Hosting Breakfast Club**

Would another group like to take the *Sunday 28th March* slot? Please don't feel that you have to put on the wonderful extravagant spread that we have become accustomed to from the Drost/McCallam family - Thursday Fellowship Group will probably be offering something simpler so please feel free to do the same! Thank you to all the Drost/McCallam family for all your hard work and wonderful food.

❖ **Church Council – Tuesday 2nd March 2010**

Advance notice of our next Church Council meeting which will take place on Tuesday 2nd March at 7:30pm please let Rev John Simms or Andrea Killingsworth have agenda items by Sunday 28th February

A copy of the minutes of the meeting that took place on 19th January to discuss the future of Wesley Hall and to consider establishing a community trust are on the noticeboard at the back of church.

❖ **Equipped For Mission**

Equipped for mission is a programme of five workshops to equip individuals and local churches for mission. All workshops will be taking place on Monday evenings at 7:30pm (starting *Monday 8th March*) at Broomhill Methodist church. If you would like more information please contact the Circuit Mission Enabler, Nel Shallow on or missionenabler@btconnect.com.

❖ **Stephen Hill Wednesday Services**

A service is held every Wednesday at Stephen Hill Methodist Church at 11:30am, lasting 30 minutes. People who come along to our Lunch Club attend, but everyone is welcome at this service.

❖ **Taize Prayer**

The next Taize style Prayer will be at Stannington Methodist Church on Tuesday 23rd February at 7:30pm. Come along and join us for a time of meditative singing and silent prayer. Refreshments will be served at the end.

❖ **Services at Mary Tozer**

As we will be celebrating Holy Week the first week in April I have decided to hold 2 services in March at Mary Tozer. They will be on 4th March and 25th March; so please note there will be no meeting at Mary Tozer in April. Dorothy

❖ Women's World Day of Prayer 6th March 2010

The Women's World Day of Prayer event will be held at Broomhill Methodist Church on 6th March. Please see the notice board for details or please ask Dorothy White or Mary Newbound for more information. All are welcome

❖ Annual Church Meeting

The Annual Church Meeting will be held on Tuesday 13th April. We will start with a meal at 6:00pm followed by the meeting. I have pinned up a list on the notice board for you to sign up for your meal, cost £2. Dorothy

❖ Hallam Methodist Church are Looking for Volunteers

Hallam Methodist Church are looking for volunteers and an experienced twin or multiples parent to help lead a support + social group for new parents and those expecting twins or multiples.

They meet on Thursday afternoons (1:30pm to 3pm) and provide space for parents/ carers and babies to relax, play, chat and make friends.. They currently have a small number of new families with twins, but need the wisdom and advice of someone who has firsthand experience of twins or multiples. They also have vacancies for volunteers who could help to play with babies, serve drinks, and chat to parents. Is this you? For more details or if you can help, please contact: Emma Eade, Children and Families Worker, [REDACTED] or emma@blackbirds.org.uk

AND FINALLY...

❖ Synod Secretary

Applications/ nominations for the post are invited from presbyters, deacons or lay people; the deadline for receiving these is Sunday 28th February to the District Office, marked Synod Secretary. Interviews will be held on the afternoon of 11 March in the District Office. Copies of the job description and person spec can be obtained from the superintendent minister, Rev Tim Bradshaw.

❖ Fifth week of ALPHA...



We are in our fifth week of Alpha; the past four weeks have been lovely! Alpha is an opportunity for anyone to explore the Christian faith in a relaxed setting over ten thought-provoking weekly sessions. It is suitable for people who are either curious about the Christian faith or seeking and those who are Christians but feel they would benefit from a refresher or the opportunity to find out more about Christianity.

Each session begins with a meal - a chance to get to know others, there is then a short talk, which looks at different aspects of the Christian faith. This is followed by a time of discussion in the small groups, where everyone is welcome to contribute their opinion, ask questions and discuss with the rest of the group.

Remember;

- The speaker tomorrow is Silas Owiti on the topic "Why and how do I pray?"
- The Holy Spirit Away-day will take place on **Saturday, 06th March 2010** at St. Luke's Lodge Moor from 09:30am to 04:00pm. Everyone in the church is invited to

come along. If you would like a lift please talk to Silas or Andrea

- There was a meeting today **Sunday, 21st Feb 2010** at 09:15am in the Emmaus Room to review progress and prepare for the Holy Spirit Away Day.
- Alpha runs on **Monday evenings** from 06:30pm. It is not too late to invite a friend or if you want to come along yourself...WELCOME!

Alpha

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