



Wesley Hall

Crookes, Sheffield



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Sunday 21st 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** **Rev. Michelle Deans (Holy Communion)**

The steward on duty is Steve Wright

Sunday 28th July 10:30am United Service at Wisewood Methodist Church

Sunday 4th August 10:30am Local arrangement (see notice below)

Sunday 11th August 10:30am Louise Etherington

THIS WEEK

❖ TRIBE

There is no TRIBE running over the school holidays, but we have set up a TV in the crèche with some episodes of Vegetables, 3-2-1 Penguins, Superbook and Story Keepers for children to watch. To access these, turn on the TV, select the home key in the middle of the remote, then select Smart Share, then Devices, then USB Disk 3.0. You should then be able to use the arrows keys on the remote to choose the programme and episode that you want to watch.

❖ Circuit Leaving Service

There will be a Circuit service on *this afternoon* at 3pm at Wisewood Methodist Church to say farewell to Rev. Lisa Quarmby and Rev. Mike Jones.

❖ Sewing Session

Jacque will be in the Emmaus room on *Wednesday 24th 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.

❖ 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 we 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!

❖ **Circuit Prayer Gathering**

The Circuit Prayer Gathering *this Wednesday* from 8pm to 9pm will be at Joan and Howard Bugg's home at 7.30pm instead of being online. If you have any questions please contact Joyce Wiles [REDACTED].

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 5th August*. It will be on display in the entrance area so people can see it from outside.

❖ **Local Arrangement Service: Sunday 4th August – Songs of Praise**

We do not have a preacher planned to come and deliver our morning worship on Sunday 4th 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 28th 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!

❖ **Summer Fun Day**

Our joint event with St Tim's is a Fun Day this year, on *Tuesday 13th 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...

❖ Circuit Meeting News

One change identified during Casting the Net was to improve communications across the Circuit. As part of this, a summary of the recent Circuit meeting (which was held at Wesley Hall) has been produced. It has been emailed out with this newsletter, and printed copies are attached.

❖ 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