



Wesley Hall

Crookes, Sheffield



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Sunday 25th July 2021

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	Preacher	Miss Louise Etherington
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The steward on duty is Jenny Jones

<i>Sunday 1st August</i>	<i>10:30am.</i>	<i>Rev. James Morley (video sermon)</i>
<i>Sunday 8th August</i>	<i>10:30am.</i>	<i>Rev. Judith Jessop (Communion Service)</i>
<i>Sunday 15th August</i>	<i>10:30am.</i>	<i>Rev. Phil Borkett</i>

THIS WEEK

❖ Sunday 25th July

Today we welcome Louise to lead our worship. Again, as we worship in the building, we are mindful of the changes to the Covid rules.

The Government has confirmed that the COVID rules have been relaxed. We are already meeting in person for worship, but this will mean some changes to our worship:

- As before, please consider taking a lateral flow COVID test on the morning before coming to worship (available free to all adults from your local pharmacy).
- As before, please sanitise your hands on entering and leaving the building.
- There will be no requirement to wear a face covering, but you are very welcome to continue doing so.
- We are being encouraged to continue to record those who attend worship, to help with NHS Test & Trace.
- We will continue with the more distanced chair layout but without enforcing social distancing, as we have been doing with the three crosses. The crosses will still be available if you wish to use them to give yourself space.
- **Please be considerate of those who wish to maintain social distancing and ask before sitting close to somebody.**
- We will be singing as part of our worship.
- We will be serving drinks after the service, but not biscuits. Those serving drinks will be practising increased hand hygiene and will prepare your drink, including adding milk and sugar, before handing it to you. This will reduce the shared use of spoons, milk jugs etc.
- **Please continue to be considerate of those who wish to maintain social distancing after the service.**

Thank you to everyone for your continued adherence to the rules. It has enabled us to return to in person worship as safely as possible.

We will not be live-streaming our services for the next two weeks.

❖ TRIBE

Our Sunday morning children's group TRIBE (The Really Interesting Bible Experience) is taking its usual break over the summer. The crèche is now open again, so please feel free to use it for those younger children who might want to go out.

COMING SOON

❖ Welcome Stewards

The new welcome rota covering the summer period and, hopefully, a more "normal" routine has now been drawn up. There are some vacancies. In particular, if anyone could volunteer on **1st and 22nd August** and **5th and 26th September** that would be really helpful. Please let Alison know - [REDACTED].

❖ Dates For Your Diary

The Leadership Team met this week we have put some dates in the diary for the Autumn:

- We are planning our Covenant Service for *Sunday 5th September*
- We are planning to run our Harvest Supper on the evening of *Saturday 2nd October*, with our Harvest Festival on *Sunday 3rd October*

❖ Circuit Farewell Services for Revd's Katie Leonowicz and Henry Ohakah

Due to logistics and the current rise in COVID cases, this act of worship will take place on Zoom and will also be live streamed to the Circuit's Facebook page and YouTube channel.

You can register

at: <https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJcucO6srijvGtT75AkA4vRZmQwENInjJz2j>. After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the service.

AND FINALLY

❖ Can You Please Help?

As we prepare to return to a more usual schedule of events, there will be a fair amount of planning and preparation to do. It would be great if we find people who are willing to help with organising events (like the Harvest Supper, above) so that it does not always fall on the same person. If you are interested or have any questions at all, please see Matt.

❖ AV Rota

We are looking to put together the AV rota for the Autumn and would like to expand the pool of people able to assist with this. Full training will be given, and even if you are not able to help out regularly, it would be great to have some people available as standby/ cover for dates that we are not able to fill. If you are interested or have any questions at all, please see Matt.

❖ Coffee Rota

The editor for July is Stephen Wright. Please e-mail items for the newsletter to newsletter@wesleyhall.org.uk or call Stephen on [REDACTED] by Wednesday evening.

From *Sunday 25th July* we will start serving tea and coffee again after our Morning Service; obviously we will have to do this in a Covid safe way. It is also at holiday time when people are going away. It would be great if we could get a few more people on the Coffee Rota to ensure that we can serve drinks after the Service each week. If you would like to go on the rota, please have a word with Steve Wright.

❖ **Toddlers**

Thank you to all who have been involved in this past term. In the kitchen, or generally at toddlers, distributing Messy Church bags, or on the zoom. For those who have helped at TRIBE, and to those who have held us in your prayers. It is much appreciated.

❖ **Can You Help with Toddlers or TRIBE?**

We will need volunteers for the kitchen for toddlers in September, and for TRIBE on a Sunday morning (also, from September). If you feel able to help in any way, please let Jacque know.

❖ **Gift Day 2021**

Thank you for your generous support of our Gift Day this year, the total raised from both one off and regular donations (and including Gift Aid) is £7,600. We are still a little short of our budget of £8,750, so 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. We also have an online giving page at <https://www.give.net/wesleyhallcfy> so can also accept Gift Day donations via a credit/debit card. If you have any questions about Gift Day, please contact Matt.

❖ **Wesley Hall Garden and Wesley Hall Working Party**

A big thankyou to Liz Harding for organising the work to the Wesley Hall Garden and to John Jenkinson for setting up the Wesley Hall Working Party. The work in tidying up the garden has begun, the car park railings are being re-painted, the area round the Church is being weeded and the Resources Room has been tidied. Thank you to those who are helping and if you can help in any way please contact Liz on: [REDACTED] or [REDACTED] or John on: [REDACTED] or e-mail him at [REDACTED].

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.
- ❖ That time off over the summer will be refreshing for all those involved in the work within children and families. Especially those volunteering.
- ❖ We are struggling to find people who feel able and willing to help with TRIBE each week. We are so blessed within our church community with a really wonderful group of young people, so please hold them and the TRIBE leaders in your prayers.
- ❖ For the room hire, that new groups would book our available space so that we would be able to produce (and stick to!) a balanced budget next year

- ❖ 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.
- ❖ Pray for our application to Methodist Youth Activities for a grant towards our continued youth work over the next three years.
- ❖ For Sean and his fiancé Amy. Amy has tested positive for Covid and they are both self-isolating, please pray that they will get the all clear very soon.
- ❖ Pray for Brendan at his Baptism today and for his mum and dad, Jacque and Ben, on this very special occasion.

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).