



Wesley Hall

Crookes, Sheffield



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Sunday 26th November 2023

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** **Louise Etherington**
The Steward on duty is Jenny Jones

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>3rd December</i>	<i>10:30am</i>	<i>Chris Sissons</i>
<i>Sunday</i>	<i>10th December</i>	<i>10:30am</i>	<i>Rev. Michelle Deans (All Age Christmas Communion)</i>
<i>Sunday</i>	<i>17th December</i>	<i>10:30am</i>	<i>Nativity Service</i>

THIS WEEK

❖ Circuit Prayer Gathering:

The Circuit Prayer Gathering will be taking place this Thursday (please note the changed day) from 8pm to 9pm via Zoom and all are welcome:

<https://zoom.us/j/94411865948?pwd=R200cHBZSk1kNmErcTZRcWZXRmdVUT09>

Meeting ID: 944 1186 5948 Passcode: 999757

(Telephone connection: 020 3481 5237)

❖ Church Council & Casting the Net

We recently had an open Church Council meeting to discuss the Circuit's Casting the Net on the Other Side document, which encourages us to think about and engage with what the future of the Circuit will look like. Everyone is also very welcome to send their own individual responses to be considered. The last page of the document has some questions that can be used to help, or thoughts can be written in any way or form you like. If you would like to send some feedback, just pass it to Matt or Michelle who will send it on to Romeo.

Printed Copies of Casting the Net on the Other Side are available at the back of church.

COMING SOON

❖ St. Tim's Christmas Tree Festival

St Tim's are holding a Christmas Tree Festival from *Friday 1st December to Sunday 3rd December*. Wesley Hall Toddlers will have a tree there. The times are as follows:

- *Friday 1st December*. 3pm to 9.30pm, Carols amongst the trees from 7pm.
- *Saturday 2nd December*. 10am to 4pm, 11am to 3pm, hot sandwiches & Santa's grotto (grotto booking kate@sttims.org.uk)

- *Sunday 3rd December*: 2pm to 4pm, 4pm Carol service and prize giving.

❖ **St. Vincent's Bazaar**

St. Vincent's on Pickmere Road are holding a Bazaar on *Saturday 2nd December* from 11.00am to 1.30pm, everyone is welcome. There will be tombola, a bottle stall, cuddly toy stall, homemade cakes, Irish coffee, crafts and much more! There will be a visit from Santa at 12 o'clock.

❖ **Christmas Praise in the City**

On *Thursday 7th December* at 7pm, at Victoria Hall (Norfolk St, Sheffield, S1 2JB), Cliff College will be hosting a Christmas Praise for you to begin your Christmas celebrations in style. This is a free event with refreshments included. It promises an unforgettable evening of festive joy. Sing along with heart-warming carols, listen to the Salvation Army brass band, hear an uplifting message and soak up the Christmas atmosphere. They would like to book your free place at <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/christmas-praise-in-the-city-tickets-726694662297?aff=oddtcreator>, but I am sure you will be able to turn up on the night too.

❖ **Vivacity Choir: Christmas Concert**

On *Saturday 16th December* Vivacity Choir are holding their Christmas Concert, here at Wesley Hall in support of Sheffield Young Carers. They are having a matinee performance at 4pm followed by a further evening performance at 6:30pm. Tickets are available here: <https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/vivacitychoir>. The cost is £5 for an adult ticket, £3 for children aged between 6-13, and a family ticket (2 adults and 2 children) is £13.

❖ **Mental Health First Aid Training 2024**

If you would like to learn more about mental health and want to learn how to support others around their mental health, then MHFA is the right course for you. The course will teach you how to recognise, respond and signpost, will equip you with a 'tool kit' and give you the confidence needed for this important role.

These are some of the comments from the last two courses held in the Sheffield Circuit; 'Excellent course' 'Excellent presenter' 'Excellent course material' 'Would strongly advise at least 1 person in every workplace, community, charity, church, should do this course' 'The need is out there!' 'Excellent course' 'Informative and helpful workbook with group exercises that were challenging but useful in putting theory into practice.'

Full 2 days attendance are mandatory. Booking is essential and is via Eventbrite, please find dates and links below.

25th & 26th January; 20th & 22nd February; 30th April & 2nd May

Free for Sheffield based Methodist members or staff.

For questions, please contact Tim, Email: tim.jansen@sheffieldcircuit.org.uk.

CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

- Christmas Messy Church is *Saturday 16th December*, we'll need kitchen roll inners, garden foliage clippings (ideally cut just before the day) and any old baubles you no longer have use for. Any donations of the above would be appreciated. We're also low on small (clean) jars with the labels removed and the lids, if anyone has any that would otherwise be going in the recycling, we'd like them please!
- The Toddler Nativity is on *Wednesday 13th December*, it's one of my favourites and we'd love it if anyone wanted to join us. We are also in need of some (toy) sheep. If you have any at home you no longer want, if you can keep an eye out in any charity shops (if you buy them and want to claim it back please keep the receipt) or if you're up for knitting or crocheting one or two we need a flock for the Toddler Christmas Nativity.

AND FINALLY

❖ Sandwich Recommendations

Wesley Hall is hosting a District Digital Day in January (more details to follow). As part of the planning process, we have been asked to suggest a local caterer that the District can book to provide a buffet sandwich lunch for those attending on the day. Do you have anyone that you can recommend? If so, please let Matt know!

❖ Prayer Walk Noticeboard

Please do check out the new Prayer Walk display on the back wall of Church. Thank you to Louise who put this together for our Prayer morning a couple of weeks ago. You will see a large map of the Crookes area and some laminated prayer walk sheets. As the sheets say, you can either take the card and prayer walk the route or alternatively complete the walk by tracing your finger on the large map. Please do find the time over the next few weeks to do either. The sheets give you ideas of what to pray about. It's also providing people coming into the building with an opportunity to engage in prayer for the local community.

PRAYER POINTS

- ❖ Please pray for those known to us who are ill, in hospital or recovering from surgery.
- ❖ For Casting the Net on the Other Side, as churches meet across Sheffield to pray, discuss, and consider what our future looks like
- ❖ For our car park resurfacing project, that it would progress quickly, and that our application to the Sheffield Town Trust will be successful.
- ❖ Please continue to pray for a resolution to the war in Ukraine and the conflict between Palestine and Israel, that peace may prevail.
- ❖ For continued progress on employment of a joint youth worker.
- ❖ For the continued exploration of how we can use our building and location to reach out and serve the people of Crookes.

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).