



# Wesley Hall

## Crookes, Sheffield



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## Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> March 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. John Simms (Easter, Holy Communion)**

The stewards on duty are Steve & Linda Wright

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| <i>Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> April</i>  | <i>10:30am</i> | <i>Rev. Phill Borkett</i> |
| <i>Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> April</i> | <i>10:30am</i> | <i>Mr. Neil Offord</i>    |
| <i>Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> April</i> | <i>10:30am</i> | <i>Local Arrangements</i> |

## THIS WEEK

### ❖ Circuit Prayer Gathering

The Circuit Prayer Gathering will be taking place as usual this Wednesday 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)

## COMING SOON

### ❖ Church Annual General Meeting: Sunday 28th April

Our AGM, led by Michelle, will take place during morning worship on *Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> April*. It will be a chance to hear about the church's work over the last year and explore future ideas and plans. One item that was discussed at the recent Leadership Team meeting was the idea of providing a welcome to people coming into the building by having a congregation member in the entrance area at certain points in the week. We will discuss this and other ideas at the meeting.

### ❖ Church Gathering: Thursday 2nd May

Following on from the AGM, Michelle will host a meeting on Zoom on *Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May* from 7:30pm to 8:30pm to bring the church's life and mission before God to ask for His guidance, wisdom and strength.

<https://zoom.us/j/92311829129?pwd=c05JZUhyNi9EZWQrWDVPR25zcmFIZz09>

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## CHILDREN & FAMILIES.

- **Stay & Play** - The next families' event is a Lego Stay & Play on 20th April. If you're able to help at all, please let Jacque know. (Please note, there won't be a bouncy castle at this event.)
- **Holiday Club** - Holiday club has been cancelled due to a lack of volunteers across the two churches, but we are doing an Easter drop in on the Monday instead: 8th April, 10am-1pm at St Tim's. If you'd like to volunteer, please let Jacque know. There will be crafts, games, baking, refreshments, and a treasure hunt. If you have children in your life who you'd like to bring along, please mark the date in your diary.
- **TRIBE** - If you're able to help either run a session for TRIBE (our children's group on a Sunday morning) or be the second adult to go down with them, please talk to Matt or Jacque.

## AND FINALLY

### ❖ Easter Offering

Envelopes are available at the back of church for those who wish to make a donation to the Methodist Church's World Mission Fund through the Easter Offering. This fund helps to support mission partners working overseas, nationals in mission appointments, and overseas students in ministry training. It also allows the church to make grants to partner churches for special projects. If you would like to donate, just put your offering in an envelope and put it in the offering plate (near the hatch).

### ❖ Seeded Paper Crosses

Lesley Ingamells recently saw a supermarket selling boxes of 6 seeded paper crosses and thought it might be nice for us to circulate individual ones around Crookes at this Easter time. Liz Jenkinson has ordered some seeded paper to make crosses, and Lesley has started crocheting small flowers to stitch in the centre, with a bible text to be written on the back and instructions for planting the crosses to produce seeds. If anyone would like to join Lesley in making some flowers, hers are about 2 inches square with a leaf behind, but they could be made of felt or other material, and the design is up to you. If you need any more information, please call Lesley on [REDACTED]

### ❖ Sunday Morning Worship Steward

A vacancy has arisen to join the worship steward team. The worship steward role is a very practical one, to ensure the smooth running of Sunday morning worship. It is quite separate from the leadership team of the church.

Currently, the role involves making email contact with the preacher before the Sunday service, finding volunteers to read the bible readings, passing information on to the musicians and AV operatives, and then arriving early on a Sunday morning to arrange the Sanctuary ready for worship, greet the preacher and, after the service, count the offering. However, the role can be flexible and tailored to your own skill set, so please don't be put off if there's any parts you're worried about.

At the moment, you could expect to be a worship steward approximately once every 4 weeks or so. If you are interested, please see Emma, Steve or Jenny. Full training will be provided!

### ❖ **Flower Rota**

The Flower Rota for 2024 is on the notice board at the back of Church. Please add your name if you are able to contribute towards the flowers for a particular week. Someone will then be in touch just before the date to ask if you have particular colours or flowers you would like.

## **PRAYER POINTS**

- ❖ Our current Wigglers cohort are mostly returning to work or moving up to toddlers, so there's a transition time at Wigglers (this happens every 6-12 months). Please keep this group in your prayers.
- ❖ For new users to boost our room hire income and help meet our running costs this year.
- ❖ 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.
- ❖ 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 quick 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).**