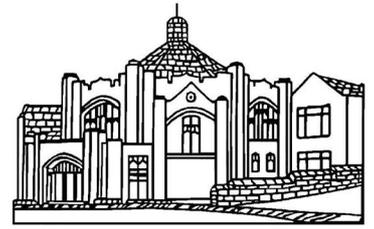


Wesley Hall

Crookes, Sheffield



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Sunday 5th January 2014

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** **Rev. John Simms (All Age Worship and Holy Communion)**

The stewards on duty today are Linda and Stephen Wright

Sunday 12th January 10:30am Mr Neil Craig 6:00pm Rev John Simms (Prayer Service)
Sunday 19th January 10:30am Rev John Simms
Sunday 26th January 10.30am Rev Tim Crome

WISHING EVERYONE A PEACEFUL NEW YEAR

THIS WEEK...

❖ Wesley Hall Toddler Group

The Toddler Group will meet this **Wednesday, 8th January**, from 10.00am to 11.30am in the Church Hall. The cost is £1.50 and all parents/carers and toddlers are welcome. Please speak to Liz for further details. If you are interested in volunteering to help at Toddler Group please also speak to Liz.

❖ Wednesday Group

The Wednesday Group are meeting on **Wednesday 8th January** at the Walkley Cottage for their Christmas lunch at 1.00pm.

❖ Wesley Hall Lunch Club

Our Lunch Club recommences on **Thursday 16th January**, after its Christmas break. We meet at 12 noon and eat at 12.15pm and the cost for a 2 course meal followed by tea or coffee is £3.50. If you would like to come or know of someone who might be interested please have a word with Steve Wright. Also if you would like to volunteer to help at lunch club please speak to Steve.

❖ Mary Tozer

Our next service at Mary Tozer House on Lydgate Lane will be on **Thursday 9th January** from 7:00pm to 8:00pm. For more information, please see Sue Chapman. All are welcome to come and join us.

COMING SOON...

❖ Messy Church

Messy Church returns in the New Year on **Saturday 18th January** from 10am to around 11:30am in the Church Hall. It will involve crafts, singing, games, snack time and more! If you or your friends or family members have children or grandchildren of pre-school or primary age it would be great if you could invite them along. If you would like any more information about Messy Church please speak to Liz.

❖ X:Site

The next X:Site event is on **Saturday 18th January** from 6:00pm to 8:00pm. This is for any children in school years 3-6 and is an evening full of fun and games, loud singing of songs to God and an exciting look at the Bible. Entry is £2.50. For more information, please e-mail xsitesheffield@gmail.com.

❖ All Age Worship

Our All Age Worship services generally take place on the first Sunday of the month. The next All Age Worship will be on **Sunday 2nd February** we would be pleased to see you then.

❖ It's Panto Time Again!

WEADS (Wesley Ebenezer Amateur Dramatic Society) will be presenting their pantomime "Trouble in Pantoland" from **Wednesday 26th February to Saturday 1st March 2014** at 7.15 pm with a Saturday matinee at 2.15pm.

Tickets are priced at £5 for adults and £3 for children for all performances and are available from Sue Mackley on [REDACTED].

AND FINALLY...

❖ New Offering Envelopes

The offering envelopes for 2014 have now arrived and are at the back of church. Please collect your envelopes and if you have any questions, or would like to start to give using the envelope scheme, please see Matt.

❖ Same Sex Marriage – Methodist Conference Consultation

The Methodist Conference set up a working group in July 2013: "to consider whether the Methodist Church's position on marriage needs revising in light of changes in society, undertaking this consideration with reference to scripture, tradition, reason and experience". The working group is consulting via a questionnaire which can be viewed on the connexional website. The deadline for responses is 9am on Monday 10th February 2014. Vernon Marsh, the District Chair, believes that some people would welcome a place to discuss and think through their views, in the light of those of other people, before they respond to the consultation. He therefore invites you to a group conversation at St Andrew's Psalter Lane, Sheffield S11 8YL either on Wednesday 29th January from 7.30pm to 9.30pm or on Saturday 1st February from 10am to 12noon. There is no need to book; just come along. Those attending will be expected to be committed to the confidentiality of the conversation. It is *not* the intention that a response to the questionnaire be formulated in the meeting. It would be helpful if those attending could read online both the Frequently Asked Questions page (<http://www.methodist.org.uk/media/961284/ssmcp-faq-1013.pdf>) and the questionnaire itself (<http://www.methodist.org.uk/media/983629/ssmcp-consultation-questions-271113.pdf>). Hard copies of these can be obtained from the District Office (0114 281 2733) or speak to one of the Newsletter editors.