



Wesley Hall

Crookes, Sheffield



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Sunday 14th September 2025

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. If you would prefer to read from a book, please visit the bookcase at the back of church. There you will find hymn books, bibles and large print books.

Our minister is Rev Michelle Deans, who also serves as minister to Hillsborough Trinity and Wisewood Methodist Churches. Our worship is led on a rota basis by Michelle, and local preachers from across other Methodist churches in Sheffield.

As a Methodist Church we are called to be a growing, inclusive, evangelistic and justice-seeking church. For more information, please see www.methodist.org.uk.

Today's service 10:30am

Rev'd Michelle Deans (Covenant Service)

The Steward on duty is Jenny Jones

Sunday 21st September

10:30am

Brian Jones

Sunday 28th September

10.30am

Rev'd Vicky Atkins

Sunday 5th October

10.30am

Rev'd Ian Bell (Holy Communion)

THIS WEEK

❖ Amy's Charity - Fund Raising Event

Leadership team have agreed to support Amy Baker in putting on a small fund-raising event for a cancer charity of her choice, after this morning's service. Amy will provide some cakes. This event will last no longer than 1 hour and will run in tandem with the usual coffee and biscuit provision. Amy will be happy to be able to complete this task, which she has thought about for some time, and will be helped by her carer.

❖ Coffee Morning

Our coffee mornings are held on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month, so the next one is this *Wednesday 17th September*. They are an informal drop-in, open to all, and are held in the Sanctuary. Please pop into Wesley Hall for a coffee/tea if you're around between 10:00am and 11:30am, and why not bring a friend?

❖ 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)

❖ Pastoral Meeting

The pastoral team are meeting at 2pm on *Wednesday 17th September*; tea and cake provided.

❖ Fundraising Afternoon Tea

Hi everyone. I just want to thank all those who have supported me already through my fundraising journey. I have some more details about my upcoming afternoon tea on *Saturday 20th September* at 2:00pm. Tickets will be £15 for an adult and £7.50 for a child (10 or under), and there will be a selection of sandwiches, small cakes and scones, baked by me. If you want to buy tickets, you can approach me in person and pay up front or on the day. Once you have reserved a space, I will give you a ticket. Thanks again for your support, Rebekah.

COMING SOON

❖ Services for your diary:

We have a few special services coming up that you might want to put in your diary:

- Sunday 28th September: Service led by Rev Vicky Atkins (New Chair of District)
- Sunday 12th October: All Age Harvest Festival with uniformed organisations
- Sunday 23rd November: United Service (with our friends from Wisewood and Hillsborough Trinity) led by Rev Michelle Deans

❖ Threads through the Cross

Following the hugely popular 'Threads through Creation' exhibition, Sheffield Cathedral welcomes back acclaimed textile artist Jacqui Parkinson with 'Threads through the Cross', telling the story of Jesus' life, death, and resurrection through 18 enormous textile panels (3x3m & 3x2m). It is open now and running until Monday 22nd September. For more information, see their website: <https://www.sheffieldcathedral.org/whats-on/2025/8/7threads-through-the-cross>.

❖ Bible Study

Bible study will be back on *Wednesday 24th October* at Lesley's house, at 7:30pm, and at Val's house on *Wednesday 1st November*. If you need a lift, or would like more information, please contact Jacque, Lesley, Louise or Val.

❖ Thursday Communion

Michelle will be leading a short service of Holy Communion on *Thursday 25th September* at 12noon. This quarterly service is primarily to offer Holy Communion to those who would like it from Lunch Club, but it is open to all so you would be very welcome to attend.

❖ Prayer Gathering: Saturday 27th September at 11:00am

Our next prayer gathering will be on *Saturday 27th September* in the Sanctuary. We'll start at 11am and aim to be finished by 12:15/12:30ish and then share lunch together. We'll pray about the different areas of church life and mission and hear from different contributors. All are invited to come along. You are welcome to come and listen, with no pressure to speak or contribute. It's not aimed at kids, but there'll be some craft activities available. If you have any questions, or anything you would like the church to be praying about, then please let Emma know.

❖ Christian Aid Ceilidh

Come along and enjoy a Ceilidh in support of Christian Aid, dancing to the Well Dressed Band! The Ceilidh will be here at Wesley Hall on *Saturday 11th October* from 6:30pm to 9:00pm. Adults £10, children £8, including a pie and pea supper (all proceeds to Christian Aid). Book tickets [here](#) or pay on the door.

❖ **Safeguarding Course**

A number of us did our 'Creating Safer Space Foundation' training together just under four years ago. To ensure our knowledge of changing laws, policies, and best practice remains current, we need to renew our training every four years, so this is now due. There will be a training session here at Wesley Hall on *Monday 6th October* at 7:00pm, so please put the date in your diary. All are welcome, and the Leadership Team will shortly be checking who needs to attend the course because of any roles they have in the church. If you are planning to attend, please let Matt know.

❖ **All Age Harvest Festival and Bring and Share Lunch: Sunday 12th October**

We are excited to be joined by rainbows, brownies and guides for worship on *12th October*. The brownies will also be helping serve tea and coffee after the service. All are invited to share in a bring-and-share lunch in the hall downstairs after the service.

We will be supporting The Sunday Centre with donations of food and money. The Sunday Centre operates out of Victoria Hall in the city centre and provides a hot meal for between 100-130 guests each Sunday. As well as the hot meal, each guest receives a takeaway bag. That way they can choose to either eat the contents with their meal or take them home to consume later.

In November last year, The Sunday Centre was awarded the Kings Award for Voluntary Service. Equivalent to an MBE, KAVS is the highest award given to local voluntary groups in the UK and is awarded for life.

This year, Michael (Deputy Chair) has asked us to contribute food that can be placed into the takeaway bags. He states:

"For that purpose, items with a reasonable shelf life such as biscuits, cereal bars, and chocolate bars are ideal. Pre-wrapped biscuits are good or packets of biscuits that can be broken up and added to the takeaway bags would work too. We also include chocolate treats and cake (either individually wrapped or sliced) in the takeaway bags, so if these are easier for people to donate, that would be fine too. We also hold a stock of Pot Noodles. We have reached the limit on the number of meals that we can produce each Sunday (120-130) so Pot Noodles, though not perfect, are handy for late comers who miss out on a cooked meal, so these would be fine to donate too. As well as food items, we also hold a small range of toiletries that can be given to our guests on request, so anything like deodorants, shampoo, soap, or toothbrushes/toothpaste are also very gratefully received."

Thank you in advance for your generosity.

❖ **Save the date: Joint Churches Pre-Advent Bible Study**

Michelle is preparing a 6-week bible study course to be delivered over Zoom for her churches. The sessions will be on Monday evenings running from *20th October* and finishing on *24th November*. For now, please save the dates in your diary and watch out for more details.

❖ **Wave of Light: A Service of Remembrance**

Join us on *Wednesday 15th October* at 6:45pm here at Wesley Hall for a quiet, reflective service honouring babies lost through miscarriage, stillbirth, neonatal death, or infertility. All those affected by such loss, including friends and family are welcome, whether your loss was recent or long ago, this space is for you. Gathering from 6:45pm, at 7pm we will light candles as part of the global Wave of Light, joining families around the world in remembrance and hope.

- Gentle music;
- Space to write or reflect;
- A moment to honour and remember.

All are welcome: those who grieve; those who support; and those who simply wish to stand in solidarity. For more information, contact Jacque Ryan on families@wesleyhall.org.uk

CHILDREN & FAMILIES

- If anyone is able to help with Stay and Play on *Saturday 20th September*, please let Jacque know. We really need another one (or two) people in the kitchen particularly. If you are also able to help with talking to people, with sitting with a craft, resetting stations, packing up or setting down, etc, please let Jacque know that too. Thank you!
If you know anyone who might be interested in coming along to Stay & Play, please invite them (there are flyers in the foyer, which you're welcome to take and pass on).
- Messy Church is on *Saturday 18th October* - if you'd like to help, please let Jacque know. If you'd like to come, please do. If you know anyone else who might be interested, please let them know. It's aimed at pre-school and primary-aged families, and we're currently skewed a bit towards the younger end of that.

AND FINALLY

❖ Thank You Card from Amy Huntley

We have received a card from Amy which is on the pin boards at the back of church, but the note inside is also below:

To all at Wesley Hall, thank you for the kindness and warmth you showed me during my time worshipping with you. Greetings from Manchester! I hope you all enjoyed the beautiful summer and are looking forward to returning to school/normal routines. It's my first day at work tomorrow, I'm excited, but nervous. I'm also missing Sheffield (and you all) a lot! You were such a gift to me this year and I have been continually blessed by the way you have served each other and me, a complete stranger! I will be praying for Bible Study, for a deepening of our faith and for the Crookes community to know the hope they have through your outreach and ministry. Please keep in touch and be sure to come visit me in Manchester; you are always welcome! Love, Amy.

PRAYER POINTS

- ❖ Pray for the Circuit as they recruit for three new roles that will be key to shaping the future direction and mission of Methodism in Sheffield
- ❖ For more volunteers to help at Drop Inn and football on the Bole Hills
- ❖ For new users or other income to help meet our running costs this year
- ❖ For the continued exploration of how we can use our building and location to reach out and serve the people of Crookes