



Wesley Hall

Crookes, Sheffield



www.wesleyhall.org.uk

Wesley Hall Methodist Church is a registered charity number 1150284

Sunday 29th March 2026

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 Louise Etherington

The steward on duty is Emma Irons

Sunday 5th April 10:30am Alison Tresize

Sunday 12th April 10:30am Michael Gagan

Sunday 29th April 10:30am Stephen Crabtree

THIS WEEK

❖ Discipleship Course

All are welcome on this 8-week course led by Rev. Graham Wassell, which is being held at the Methodist churches shown below from 7:15pm to 8:30pm. There is no need to book, just come along!

Growing as a Disciple	Monday 30 March	Wesley Hall
Being Fruitful	Monday 13 April	Wisewood
Servanthood	Monday 20 April	Hillsborough Trinity

❖ 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)

❖ Coffee Morning

Our coffee mornings are held on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month, so the next one is *Wednesday 1st April*. 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?

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❖ An Easter Journey at Hillsborough Trinity

Hillsborough Trinity are hosting an Easter reflective event on *Saturday 4th April* between 11:00am and 3:00pm. There will be embroidered banners to view, as well as devotions and prayers written in response to the images, by members of the cafe church.

Cake and coffee will be served throughout the day and a children's activity will be available.

EASTER SERVICES

Maundy Thurs 2 nd April	7:30pm	Holy Communion (<i>at Wisewood</i>)
Good Friday 3 rd April	10:45am	Reflective Service (<i>at Hillsborough Trinity</i>) followed by Walk of Witness in Hillsborough Park
Easter Sunday 6 th April	9:30am 10:30am	Easter Breakfast? (<i>volunteers needed see below</i>) Easter Morning Service

We don't yet have anyone to run Easter Breakfast and unless one or more people come forward, this will not go ahead. If you are interested in helping set up and run a smaller scale breakfast (cereal and toast only), please see Louise.

COMING SOON

❖ Why Come To Synod/ District Gathering?

Many of us are asking the same question: how do our churches connect meaningfully with the communities around us? At our district gathering on *Saturday 18th April*, we will be exploring the practice of community organising, a way of working that begins not with projects or strategies but with listening. Research and experience show that when communities are genuinely listened to, relationships grow, trust deepens, and new possibilities for change and hope emerge. Together we will explore practical ways churches can listen to their neighbourhoods, notice where God is already at work, and respond alongside local people. If you care about the future of our churches and our communities, this conversation is for you. I would encourage you not only to come yourself, but also to invite others from your churches who care about their neighbourhoods and the future of the church's mission. It will be wonderful to see people coming together to learn, reflect, and imagine what this might look like in our own communities. We look forward to seeing you.

The link for more details is

<https://www.tickettailor.com/events/sheffieldmethodistdistrict/2033448> and bookings will close on *Monday 6th April*.

❖ Wesley Hall Quiz Night

As you'll be aware, we're looking for ways in which we can fundraise, and also build relationships with building users and those in the community. We are therefore going to host a quiz night from 7:30pm to 9:30pm on *Saturday 25th April*, and encourage people to enter a team and have some fun. The cost will be £3 per person which includes a chip butty supper. Come as an individual or a team and spread the word!

❖ Save the Date: Saturday 2nd May Prayer Gathering

Our next prayer gathering will take place on *Saturday 2nd May* from 11:00am to 12:30pm. We will pray then eat lunch together to bring the morning to a close. Come along as we bring all areas of church life to God. Any questions, please ask Emma.

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❖ **Arise 2026**

Arise is a citywide prayer-walking initiative where believers across Sheffield come together to pray for our city. Christians across Sheffield aim to cover every street in prayer, seeking transformation and blessings for the communities. Prayer-walking is simply “prayer on the move”. You can start by inviting God to be with you on your walk, and bringing to Him the streets, houses, and people you see along your way. If you struggle with the walking aspect of the prayer-walk, maybe you could earmark a couple of streets and pray over them from home, using a map. For those with smart phones, you can download a new app, where you can upload which streets you have prayed over, and watch the streets light up. For more details, see the Arise website <https://www.arisesheffield.org/>.

AND FINALLY...

❖ **Leadership Team & Safeguarding Officer vacancy**

Jo has recently taken the decision to step down from her role on Leadership team and as the church Safeguarding officer. We thank Jo for the time she has devoted to these roles.

Please can you prayerfully consider whether God is asking you to step into either a role on the Leadership team or as the church's safeguarding officer (or both!).

The Leadership team generally meet monthly over Zoom and discusses all areas of church life including pastoral matters, worship, community, property, finance, safeguarding etc. The team currently consists of Michelle, Matt, Jacque, Louise and Emma, and is a way of influencing the future direction of the church.

Safeguarding is a shared responsibility and everyone associated with the Church who comes into contact with children, young people and vulnerable adults has a role to play in this. However, Methodist Church Standing Orders require each church to have a named Church Safeguarding Officer. That person is responsible for ensuring that safeguarding concerns are reported, recorded and acted upon accordingly. The role is less than would be expected in other churches as Matt deals with all the DBS searches and keeps all the records up to date of the safeguarding training that volunteers have attended.

If you wish to put yourself forward to become part of Leadership team or as the church safeguarding officer, or maybe wish to nominate someone, then please have a word with Michelle.

❖ **Food & Community Trust Donation (to support the S6 Foodbank and CAP Debt Advice)**

A couple of weeks ago we were blessed to learn more about the work of the staff and volunteers at the Food & Community trust as well as hear Karen's testimony. We took up a special offering as a way of encouraging the charity and because of your generous donations, we have sent them £240. Many thanks.

You can further support the foodbank by leaving food in the donation box downstairs in the foyer. Urgently needed food items are tinned fruit, UHT milk, tinned fish, toiletries and tinned tomatoes.

❖ **Thank You Card from Micheal**

There is a card pinned up from Micheal at the back of church. He writes:

"Thanks for your prayers, good wishes and visits. I am a lot better now and hope to be back with you soon. Love, Micheal x"

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❖ **After-School Drop Inn - Volunteers Needed**

For many years the after-school Drop Inn has been running at Wesley Hall, serving hot chocolate and biscuits during the autumn, winter and spring terms, and ice cream during the summer term. The Drop Inn runs on a Tuesday from 2:30pm until 4:30pm during school term time. The youth worker, Jason, runs the Drop Inn with support from volunteers. To be able to run the Drop Inn effectively, a minimum of three people is required for each session. We are now very short of volunteers and are looking for new recruits, either from within Wesley Hall or outside. The volunteering can be flexible in terms of commitments, for example, once or twice a month rather than every Tuesday. If you are interested, please speak to Jason (07865 778 319) or Stephen Ingamells.

❖ **Thanks, from All We Can**

Did you know that between 2009 to 2023 Wesley Hall Methodist Church donated £1.9k to All We Can? That generosity has helped transform lives and strengthen communities around the world. Thank you - you have been part of something truly life-changing.

As the Methodist relief and development charity, All We Can continues to respond to injustice and poverty - working alongside global partners so that communities can lead their own futures. That calling, first sparked by Methodists nearly a century ago, is as urgent today as ever.

All We Can provides different ways for churches to engage with our work, such as our new Lent Prayer Handbook - helping individuals and churches to join with us in prayer. These can be viewed and downloaded from www.allwecan.org.uk/justiceandjoy. Please let Matt know if you would like a hard copy.

PRAYER POINTS

- ❖ Pray for the Wigglers baby group now meeting on Mondays. We pray for the developing of the group as a place of mutual support and love, and guide Jacque in her conversations.
- ❖ Please pray for our application to South Yorkshire's Community Foundation for the rest of the money for the car park. Pray that it would be successful so we can get on with resurfacing the car park as soon as possible.
- ❖ Pray for our minister Michelle, and all circuit ministers and lay staff. We pray for the work taking place to arrange staffing for September 2026 onwards.
- ❖ Pray for those we know who are suffering, for those who are sick, those who are anxious and those who are grieving
- ❖ Please pray for more volunteers to feel led to assist with Drop Inn and the Wesley Hall Food Club, and that some of the children in the Wesley Hall Food Club may be led to join WHY.