

WINDOW ON WESLEY'S



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Dear friends,

Welcome to the September edition of Window on Wesley's!

Our year began with the visit of **President the Revd Sonia Hicks, and Vice President Barbara Easton on Sunday September 4th**: when we officially opened the **'Leadership on a Journey'** exhibition. The first phase of that exhibit is open in the Museum, and Deanna Lyncook is working to gather oral histories all this month, travelling around the country on our behalf to speak to Black British, British Asian, African, and other global diaspora and minority ethnic leaders in contemporary Methodism.

On Sunday a large congregation gathered, and we were pleased to see that we could be safe and give each other space. Church has never been more important in our local community, and as a voice on the global stage bringing people together, and speaking up for those who have no voice. This is still a time of continuing change at the Chapel not least with Sally Rush finishing her employment (not her membership) with us at the end of September. We will continue her work with younger members of our community and local organisations. Her last Sunday with us will be 26th September. You can contribute to a leaving gift for Sally using the methods outlined in the item following this letter, but we hope that you will also send us a picture of yourself to be included in a memory book along with any cards or letters.

It is good to come back to church, even while still being able to worship at home. You will notice we still have space in church where you can sit at distance, and that we are still asking everyone to use hand gel and to wear masks if we can. We are offering name tags at the door as we welcome one another back to church: we have many new people who have started attending virtually and in person during lockdown, so please say your name to folk as you greet them. It is a small thing, but this work of welcome is among the greatest gifts you can give each other. With so much anonymity, to be known is a good thing, and a Gospel thing. Communities where people know one another resist evil!

Junior Church is also re-starting in the 11am service, and the **fellowship groups** are beginning to meet in person again, or as a hybrid in person and online. If you are new to church and want to consider making a bigger commitment as a member, please contact the office. **And for children and young people, have a look at the Boys' Brigade and Girls' Association offering, free tasters for the BB/GA on Saturdays: Paintballing, and Outdoor learning centre.**

Wesley's Chapel and Leysian Mission is a local church, with global reach: you are engaged in a growing, and gracious public mission. Thank you friends, it is a privilege to journey with you.

All best, Jen

Sally's Leaving gift

You can contribute to a leaving gift for Sally in any of the following ways:

- **Cash** – please **do not** send cash in the post. If you are attending worship in person or visiting the Chapel, simply place your donation in a yellow envelope (these can be found on tables in the vestibule), write Sally's name on the front and put in the collection plate in the usual way or hand in to the office or to a member of staff.
- **Cheque** – Please make cheques payable to “Wesley's Chapel & Leysian Mission” and write “Sally” on the back. This can be sent via the post or handed in person in the same was as a cash donation.
- **Bank Transfer** – If you use internet banking simply make a one off payment into the Chapel bank account (details available on request) ensuring the payment reference is marked “Sally Leaving”. If you don't have access to the internet and would still like to make a payment via your bank please visit your local branch who will be happy to help. You will also require the Chapel's bank details if you are using this method which can be obtained from the Chapel Office on request.

and we will keep that fund open until the end of October for your gifts of thanksgiving for her work over these years, and support for her future.

SOMETHING TO SHOUT ABOUT:

EVERY DAY, Monday to Saturday at 10.00am Morning Prayer online

Praying around World each month

Can't join live? Listen later in the day on the YouTube chapel, and send prayer requests to

prayer@wesleyschapel.org.uk

EVERY SUNDAY 5.00pm Zoom Fellowship and Bible study from 5.30pm, ending with evening prayer at 6.00pm – join people from around the country for a friendly chat and informal Bible study followed by evening prayer – drop in for any part. Click on event on website for zoom details.

10 October HARVEST ALL AGE WORSHIP and other events with collection of food items and toiletries for the Whitechapel Mission (look out for up to date lists in the October edition of WoW).

17 October ANNUAL GENERAL CHURCH MEETING with Steven Cooper
after short business electing trustees, we will have a chance for 1:1 conversation and getting to know each other better, and to sign up for different works of **welcoming and worship in the church**: readers, prayers, testifiers, musicians, filmmakers, healers, door keepers... maybe even a prophet or two. Many hands make light work.

BBC RADIO 4 Prayer for the Day Jen Smith, recorded at Wesley's Chapel Saturday 16 October through Friday 22 October, 5.48am (yes, AM)

And looking ahead... **7 November will be our CHURCH ANNIVERSARY**, where we will make the invitation to small house/zoom groups, and the 'Methodist Way of Life.' **One size does NOT fit all**, but when we meet the day we will do it as the Body of Christ, not on our own.

Blessings, Jen

Celebration for Roehampton Graduates

Jen Smith was delighted to be part of the Graduation Ceremony for the School of Arts of the University of Roehampton, Wednesday 1 September. The dance graduates' 'walks' across the stage at the Royal Festival Hall were a special treat.



Wesley's Chapel & Leysian Mission is working with Southlands College, Roehampton, to develop 3 bursaries of £1000 each to benefit first year or foundation students at Southlands for three years beginning in 2022, celebrating 150 years of Methodist Higher Education at Southlands. Jen Smith was elected to the University Council of the University of Roehampton in July, 2020, and is Deputy Chair of the Southlands Methodist Trust.

Introducing Deanna Lyncook

Oral History and Project Officer, Leadership on A Journey



Welcome to Deanna, who spoke in church on 4 September about the **Leadership on a Journey** exhibition. Deanna is working with Wesley's Chapel and Leysian Mission using 'Heritage as Mission' for 6 months, and is **gathering oral histories** and putting together stage 2, profiling leaders from **the recent present**. Deanna is from

Birmingham, and recently finished an MA in History at Queen Mary's University.

Want to nominate an unsung hero for the exhibition? Who should our museum commemorate? Be in touch with Deanna directly: loaj@wesleyschapel.org.uk

Want a podcast for your bus journey? Check out her personal contribution at **'The History Hotline'**, available on all major podcast platforms.

About the podcast: 'The History Hotline is the hottest line for all things Black history and beyond... A space to have honest conversations about Black history and how it impacts the world we live in.'



We're here to explore some of the facets of Black history ignored by the mainstream, your teachers and the textbooks.' **Check it out!**

Our Minister, the Revd Steven Cooper, writes...

Re-gathering and re-connecting

After some time away during the summer (more of that below...) it was so good to be back at the Chapel for the first Sunday in September: an immense joy, to welcome the President and Vice-President of the Methodist Conference—and, much more than that, to see so many of you once again face-to-face, as we re-gather for worship together after so many months of restriction.

I thank God for the way in which the uptake of Covid vaccination, and continued care for one another in how we interact and share space, has enabled us to turn a corner in our grappling with the pandemic—and to make significant inroads into rebuilding the kinds of worship and shared activity that are the life-breath of our presence here as God's Church.

Thank you all for your graciousness with one another as we have navigated these challenging months together—and for your enthusiasm and dedication as we re-gather in these days, and in the days to come.

An invitation

God calls us to God's table—and, as our President of Conference, Sonia Hicks, reminded us on 5th September, it is an invitation to all. God calls us together to be the Church, to share together in bearing witness to God's love, and to be a sign to one another and to the whole community around us that God is alive and active here.

A key dimension of our work to re-gather and rebuild our worship and activities here at Wesley's is that we need to do this together, and at this time we need lots of volunteers! One of my priorities at this moment, together with Jen and the whole staff team, is to encourage volunteers to come forward, to enable all areas of the Chapel's life to flourish, after the past period of challenge and pared-down activity. And in all of this, we really want the full diversity of our congregation to be represented in all that we do. This is a key moment of growth, and of new opportunity!

And so I invite you to volunteer in the work of the Chapel, in whatever way you can: we need persons to serve as stewards on a Sunday morning (to open up the Chapel and ensure that everything is in place for worship); we need many more people to volunteer to read the Bible readings in worship; and to sing in the choir; we need further to build up our team of welcomers at the door; we need to re-build our team of AV specialists to operate our sound system and livestream; persons to help with organising and serving Holy Communion; persons to serve as heritage stewards (welcoming people to the Museum of Methodism and John Wesley's house); persons to serve refreshments after worship. And more! In all these things, we are looking for volunteers OF ALL AGES, and from every part of the congregation. And while many of these things may feel 'internal' to ourselves as a church, they are essential to what makes us the church that we are: at heart, worshipping God, that we may all be inspired and built up for service to our whole world.

God calls each one of us, in different ways. I invite you to consider whether you can volunteer (even on an occasional basis) to serve in any of these ways in the life of the Chapel. And this is something which Jen and I will be especially seeking to encourage in the coming weeks—and which we look to celebrate at the General Church Meeting next month. Please do grab me for a conversation about any of this—I would love to explore with you any opportunity to serve which may be right for you.

Further growth and reconnection

As well as seeking to rebuild the breath of volunteering that is so essential to the life of the Chapel, we are looking to do much more to develop our service to the local community here—including more creative use of our front courtyard and back garden for the benefit of our neighbourhoods and for all who may be passing by.

We are also looking to develop renewed ways of building community and connection within our congregation, through groups that are able to meet and share together in new ways for friendship, and support in one another's life and faith—as well as seeking to support renewal in the life of our existing fellowship groups.

Watch this space in the coming months, as we work to develop these things—and if you have ideas, please do let us know!

Resourcing for multicultural ministry

Last month I flew to Stuttgart, Germany, for an international



Methodist training event, the Institute for Multicultural Ministry: a week-long course organised by the United Methodist Church, and joined by participants and practitioners serving in multicultural contexts in

Methodist churches from all over the world. I was privileged to be

the sole participant from the British Methodist Church, among a total of 11 participants. It was a hugely inspiring and beneficial experience, and served to equip me in a significant way with new



insights and skills for serving as Minister in the gloriously multicultural situation that is the life of Wesley's Chapel and Leysian Mission. The quality of the experience was twofold: on the one hand, there was excellent formal teaching, around how to approach ministry in relation to any

situation where people of diverse cultural backgrounds come together. On the other hand, simply getting to know the other participants, and sharing experiences of our various multicultural contexts for ministry, was tremendously educational in itself. I'm so pleased to have had this opportunity, which has further boosted my own confidence in the role I am privileged to exercise as Minister here. As we move forward together



with re-gathering and re-connecting as a congregation at Wesley's, for me this experience felt especially timely. The photos give something of a flavour of the event. And Stuttgart is a lovely city: if you have the opportunity to visit, I recommend it!

As always, if there is anything you would like to discuss, please don't hesitate to be in touch. You can reach me on 07483 160593, or via the church office.

Wishing you every blessing this month,

Steven

Dear Siblings,

This is my final article as the Community Worker (with young/emerging adults) at Wesley's Chapel and Leysian Mission.

The last four years have gone really quickly, and I thank you for all the different ways you have supported me and the work I have been helping co-ordinate during that time.

Highlights for me include:

Two different group trips to Greenbelt Festival with young adults from the church. One wet and cold and the other with blistering sunshine.

The church beach trip to Margate, where many of us chilled out on the sand in our deckchairs.

Climbing the O2 Millennium Dome with the young adults, and their encouragement as I did so.

White Cross Street Festival and engaging in mission with the local community, filling in the bags and giving them out.

Supporting a range of the young adults from Wesley's Chapel and Leysian Mission as they took a leading part of the Hackney and Islington Citizens digital listening campaign.

The emerging talent concert where we saw a number of our young adults perform.

The Transgender Day of Remembrance service 2021 where we worked with various other partners including Forum+ to put on an event for the local community, and some further afield.

As I prepare to move on from this role, (I'll still be around the church sometimes), I hope I have helped lay some foundations which can be built upon. The aim of my role was to be able to be less involved as the young adults took more on themselves. I hope moving into the future, whilst Erik our new global mission fellow will support

them, that they, as a group, will take the initiative to grow the work I have been the privileged custodian of for a while further.

Thank you for the blessings you have given me in this role

Sally

SERENDIPITY THIRTY-SEVEN – Part 2

John Wesley's House – Part Two

At the end of Part One of this serendipitous virtual guided tour of the house in which John Wesley lived during the 18th Century, we had just concluded a resume of the history of the building, now we are about to enter the house itself.

John Wesley's House

Standing in the front garden and looking towards the house, we are faced directly by the ground floor, front door entrance with its brass knocker and the glazed Fan light above, the two sash windows of the ground floor front room, the railed entry to the basement and looking up, the three sash windows of each of the front rooms on the first, second and attic floors. Also, we can see the blue plaque recording John Wesley's occupation of the house, which is set between the ground floor windows, and above this the original Coade Stone decorative frieze, stretching the width of the building, beneath the first-floor windows.

Many visitors to the house are often too busy taking "selfies" to notice the frieze. This is a pity, because apart from having its attractive Vitruvian Scroll pattern, it is an excellent example of an ornamental feature manufactured from a now famous artificial material named after its inventor Mrs. Coade. Although Coade stone looks like natural stone or concrete, it is actually a heat formed ceramic akin to pottery which can be moulded, and then after heat treatment, it sets to a material which is incredibly resistant to London's harsh environment. It is due to this property that the frieze has survived with its pattern so clear and well defined for the

240 plus years since John Wesley oversaw its placement on the front of his house.

Now having surveyed the façade of the building and having looked around the small, neat garden, laid out as noted earlier with the sort of medicinal plants recommended in John Wesley's publication, "Primitive Physics", we will enter the house.

For this tour we are going to use the front door like the many distinguished people John entertained when he was in residence. Normally, except on special occasions, tours usually start with entry through one or other of the rear doors, but we are privileged, so can pass through the hallowed portal and enter the plain, panelled hallway of the ground floor.

The Ground Floor

In front of us is the foot of the staircase which we will use when we start to ascend to the upper floors but, that is for later as we are staying on the ground floor for the present. We therefore walk a little way along the hall to the foot of the stairs. At this point the hallway continues on the right past the staircase towards the rear door by which most modern-day visitors normally enter and leave the building. However, we do not go so far and instead will enter the first of the doors to our right which opens into the dining room.

The Dining Room

This is the front room of the house and has a high ceiling, and two tall sash windows looking out over the entrance to the basement, into the front garden, with the gated opening onto the City Road, and Bunhill Fields burial ground visible beyond.

This room is furnished, but not alas with any of John Wesley's original property, in the manner of an 18th Century dining room. The table, sideboard, chairs and chinaware, as well as the tea urn are either originals of the period or else are suitable reproductions. The room being dressed with the intention to suggest that Mr. Wesley has either just finished a meal or else has been entertaining a visitor. In this respect it is perhaps much like any modern home, and indeed, the rather unusual item of furniture in the left-hand front corner, might well not be out of place in a modern home. Or rather,

that is its modern equivalent could well be found in the front room of many a 21st Century house.

The Chamber Horse

In fact, this item in Wesley's House is an exercise machine, a "Chamber Horse" which was in the 18th Century, intended for much the same purpose as a modern exercise bike or rowing machine. In this case, it is a heavily sprung seat and by sitting on it and then rhythmically pushing down so as to compress the springing and then relaxing the compression, so as to rise; the up and down motion produced did, in the absence of a real equine, achieve some of the exercise benefits of riding a proper horse.

John Wesley, by the time he was living in the house did most of his travelling either by stage coach or else in the open carriage that his followers had bought him. It was to continue to receive the benefits to his health he considered he had obtained from riding, that John purchased his own Chamber Horse, and we know installed it in the dining room. The one now on display is not John's, but it is of genuine 18th Century origin, and probably similar in appearance to his own. John's was we know lent out by him to his brother in 1788 in the hope that it would benefit Charles in his last illness. Also, we know that later, John again lent out his Chamber Horse, this time to his niece Sarah Wesley, the daughter of Charles and it is possible that she kept it. Any way it appears not to have survived to the current time but the replacement we have now is one more reminder of John's interest in physical as well as spiritual wellbeing. More information concerning the Chamber Horse is to be found in Serendipity Twenty-five and further, details of their construction and use, as well as a short video of one being ridden can be accessed on line.

Portrait of Charles Wesley

The dining room is also decorated with several pictures. For, example, over the fire place is hung a formal portrait of Charles Wesley, (1707 – 1788), John's younger brother.

Charles, who for the last few years of his life lived in Marylebone, was a frequent visitor to the house. He and his brother were joint founders of the Methodist movement. John being the organizing

genius and Charles as “the Sweet Singer of Methodism”, and a very talented poet, being the author of the almost countless hymns, most being Bible based, which fuelled the movements growth.

Print of Charles Preaching to native Americans in Georgia

Charles Wesley’ likeness is also depicted in another picture hanging on the Dining Room wall. This is a print which supposedly depicts him preaching to a group of Native Americans in what is now the U.S.A State of Georgia. In the 18th Century Georgia was a British colony, founded by General Oglethorpe, primarily as a military measure to stem Spanish inroads threatening British colonization of the Eastern Seaboard of North America. Georgia was settled by a mixture of released debtors and needy people from Britain as well as by persecuted Protestants from the European continent.

John and Charles went to Georgia arriving in Savannah, the colonial capital in 1735, where under the auspices of the SPCK, (Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge), they were to act both as missionaries to the Native peoples and as pastors to the settlers. In addition, as “Secretary of Indian Affairs”, Charles also had the role of assisting the governor, General Oglethorpe.

In reality, both John and Charles, considered that their primary task and the real reason for embarking on their North American venture, was, in John’s words, *“The hope of saving my own soul and to learn the true sense of the Gospel of Christ by preaching it to the heathen”*.

The print on the Dining Room wall, therefore illustrates Charles fulfilling one aspect of his and brother John’s intentions.

Unfortunately, however, it actually depicts something that did not, and in the circumstances, could not happen. The colonies state of war with the Spaniards, as well as warfare among the native peoples, precluded any possibility of any such gathering. John and Charles were therefore limited to engaging with the settlers or else assisting the governor with the management of the colony.

Charles Wesley’s poor state of health and disagreements with the settlers, resulted in the premature return to Britain, of first Charles

and then John, without their original intentions having been accomplished.

Neither of them ever again went to North America, although their sojourn there had an important influence upon what was to happen in their lives. Also, John ever after maintained a keen interest in what was happening on that Continent. Indeed, one of the things that led, inadvertently, to the break of Methodism from the Church of England was John's ordination of Presbyters for work in the independent U.S.A, although, only after he had failed to persuade any bishop of the Church of England to do so.

But we must now leave the dining room with its table laid out so invitingly to offer welcome and refreshment to visitors. If we leave the room now, through the door we came in then take a sharp turn to the right we can enter the little Back Parlour. But instead, we are leaving that part of the tour to a future edition of "Window on Wesley's". If you are interested in continuing this virtual tour, then be sure to obtain a copy of the magazine.

Keith Dutton – Heritage Steward

**Tuesday Lunchtime Recitals in September
(1.05pm – Entry free of charge)**

14th Roger Press – Piano

21st Antonio Oyarzabal – Piano

28th Charlotte Bartley & Elena Smirnova – Clarinet/Piano



A poem submitted by one of our long-time members, former Circuit Steward and friend, Alan Watts:

Walk with me.

Walk with me at break of dawn
Feel and taste the freshness of the air,
Tread carefully upon the spreading dew,
Enjoy the wonders of the early morn.
Come walk with me at break of dawn.

Walk with me beneath the trees,
Delight in the subtle shades of green
Depicted in the various leaves and grasses.
Be enchanted by a fragrant breeze.
Come walk with me beneath the trees.

Walk with me along the beach,
Preferably with nothing on our feet,
Feeling the sand tickle our toes, watch
The tide ebb and flow up to its reach.
Come walk with me along the beach.

Walk with me, just walk with me.
Companionship is vital, so important,
The sharing of sightings on the journey
Is precious, takes the lone from lonely.
So walk with me, just walk with me.

Conference 2021

This year the Methodist conference was held online and also in Birmingham and in June (I know it seems so long ago). If you would like to find out what happened why not read [Conference Business Digest](#) , a report of the business of the 2021 Conference for local churches.

The Ultra-Low Emission Zone is expanding from 25 October 2021. Have you checked your vehicle?

Air pollution is not just a central London problem, with many areas still exceeding the legal limits for pollution across the city. That is why from **25 October 2021**, the central London Ultra Low Emission Zone (ULEZ) is expanding to create a single, larger zone up to the North Circular Road (A406) and South Circular Road (A205). The North and South Circular Roads themselves are not in the zone. This is part of the commitment by the Mayor and TfL to help every Londoner breathe cleaner air.

The ULEZ will continue to operate 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, including weekends (except Christmas day), with a £12.50 daily charge for vehicles that do not meet the required emissions standards.

Cars, motorcycles, vans and other specialist vehicles (up to and including 3.5 tonnes) and minibuses (up to and including 5 tonnes) will need to meet the required ULEZ emissions standards when driving within and into the expanded zone, or pay a daily charge.

Four out of five cars already meet the ULEZ emissions standards, but owners of the remaining older cars, motorcycles, lighter van and minibuses to take action.

Call To Action: Check your vehicle meets the ULEZ emissions standards and the interactive map of the zone. Visit tfl.gov.uk/ulez-2021





BOYS' BRIGADE AND GIRLS' ASSOCIATION

Do you know a boy or girl aged 5-16+ who likes games, Bible activities, art and craft, confidence building, outings and fun?

New year, new people: Boys' Brigade/Girls' Association, Tuesday nights at the Chapel beginning 14 Sept, Tuesday nights from 6.30 pm.

NEW CHILDREN WELCOME: contact Matthew Smith, Captain, with your details through the church office if interested, or turn up for a taster on a Tuesday night at the Chapel.

Book your space for 14th Sept at <https://bit.ly/GABB14> and book future dates via <https://www.wesleyschapel.org.uk/events/>

BB/GA AUTUMN OUTINGS

(you can come as a taster, to meet people)

Saturday 16 October Paintballing (age 11+)

Saturday 23 October Lambourne End Centre for outdoor learning (age 5-13)

<https://www.lambourne-end.org.uk>

Contact Matt Smith for details and to register, registration before the event necessary.

And... 'BB on Sunday': look out for young people of the BB/GA in church on 14 November, Remembrance Sunday.

This poem was written by one of our members, **John Showemimo**, in appreciation for the work of Judith Bell, our former Leysian Missioner, who left us recently to start theological college in Birmingham:

We thank you Judith Bell
For all the good you've done
Eight years of service to us here
From morn to setting sun.

A friend to one and all
We're blessed to know and see
We wish you Judith, all the best
On where God's call shall lead.

We come with you to pray
To God who reigns above
As go you forth to greater heights
God bless you with His love

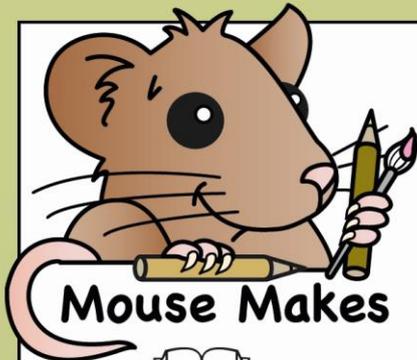
We bid you fond farewell
As sail you far abroad
May God be your eternal strength
And bless you evermore.

And finally.....

A little girl had been to Sunday School for the first time and was asked by her mother how it compared with her new primary school. "Oh, I like it much better," she said. "There are no exams there, you go only once a week for an hour, and at the end you go to heaven instead of high school."



CHILDREN'S PAGE



Mouse Makes


 Read this story in
 1 Kings 17:7-16

The bowl of flour and the jar of oil

It had not rained for months and months, there was a drought in the land. God sent His prophet **Elijah** to the town of Zarephath. At the town gate he saw a widow gathering firewood.

"Please bring me a drink of water and some bread." he asked her. 

She answered "All I have is a handful of flour and a drop of oil in a jar, it is our last meal."

"Do not worry." Elijah said, "Make the meal and make a small loaf for me."

The woman did what Elijah had asked and God blessed her ...



... The bowl never ran out of flour and the jar never ran out of oil until it rained again!



Find these words from the story in the word search:

WORD • LORD • GOD • ELIJAH • SENT • ZAREPHATH • GATE • CITY • WIDOW
 STICKS • WATER • DRINK • BREAD • FEED • HANDFUL • FLOUR • LITTLE
 OIL • SON • EAT • DIE • FULL • WENT • MAKE • BAKED • ATE • JAR • JUG • MANY
 DAYS • LIVE • NEVER • EMPTY

Worship at Wesley's Chapel & Leysian Mission

Monday – Saturday

10.00am Morning Prayer from the Methodist Worship Book

Wednesday

12.45pm Service of Holy Communion

Sunday

9.45am Service of Holy Communion (except first Sunday of the month)

11.00am Morning Worship

7.00pm Service in the style of Taize (second and last Sunday of the month)

All services except the Wednesday Communion Service are also live streamed (www.wesleyschapel.org.uk/livestreaming) and remain viewable afterwards at:

www.wesleyschapel.org.uk/previous-services

We also have a dedicated email address for prayer requests which will be received directly by our ministers Jen and Steven, and will be prayed during the course of the Daily morning prayer service. Please send all prayer requests to:

prayer@wesleyschapel.org.uk

If you would like to submit an article, poem, prayer or item of interest for this magazine please email it to:

manager@wesleyschapel.org.uk

2021-2022 Church Calendar

As this is the first WoW of the current Connexional Year we thought it would be a good idea to re-print the new Church Calendar for 2021/2022 in this issue in order that you may note all of the important dates in your dairy.

September

Saturday 4	PM	Emerging Adults Social (18-30)
Sunday 5	11.00am	Opening of the new Methodist Year with the President & Vice-President of the Methodist Conference
Sunday 12	7.00pm	International Prayer in the style of the Taizé Community
Wednesday 15	7.00pm	Local Preachers Meeting
Saturday 18	10.00am 4.30pm	Representative Synod – Westminster Central Hall Emerging Adults Bible Study (18-30)
Wednesday 22	6.30pm	Board of Trustees Meeting
Sunday 26	12.30pm 7.00pm	Wesley's Chapel Ghana Fellowship Reflective Service with songs from Taizé

October

Saturday 2	2.00pm	Emerging Adults Social (18-30)
Sunday 3	12.30pm 12.30pm	Methodist Women in Britain Wesley's Chapel Men's Fellowship
Tuesday 5	2.00pm	House & Museum Committee
Sunday 10	11.00am 7.00pm	Harvest Festival International Prayer in the style of the Taizé Community
Saturday 16	4.30pm	Emerging Adults Bible Study (18-30)

Sunday 17	12.30pm	General Church Meeting
Sunday 31	12.30pm 7.00pm	British Summertime Ends (Clocks go back) Wesley's Chapel Ghana Fellowship Reflective Service with songs from Taizé

November

Saturday 6	PM	Emerging Adults Social (18-30)
Sunday 7	12.30pm 12.30pm 11.00am	Methodist Women in Britain Wesley's Chapel Men's Fellowship 244 th Church Anniversary Service & Commissioning of Board of Trustees
Sunday 14	10.50am 12.30pm 7.00pm	Remembrance Sunday Service Pastoral Committee meeting International Prayer in the style of the Taizé Community
Wednesday 10	6.30pm	Board of Trustees Meeting
Saturday 20	4.30pm	Emerging Adults Bible Study (18-30)
Sunday 28	11.00am 12.30pm 7.00pm	Advent Sunday Service Wesley's Chapel Ghana Fellowship Reflective Service with songs from Taizé

December

Thursday 2	7.00pm	Local Preachers Meeting
Saturday 4	PM	Emerging Adults Social (18-30)
Sunday 5	12.30pm 12.30pm	Methodist Women in Britain Wesley's Chapel Men's Fellowship
Sunday 12	7.00pm	International Prayer in the style of the Taizé Community
Thursday 16	12.30pm	City Carol Service
Saturday 18	4.30pm	Emerging Adults Bible Study (18-30)

Sunday 19	11.00am	All Age Worship for Christmas
Tuesday 21	5.00pm	Lighting the Longest Night
Friday 24	3.00pm 11.00pm	Christingle/Crib Service Midnight Communion - St Paul's Cathedral
Saturday 25	10.30am	Christmas Day Service
Sunday 26	12.30pm 7.00pm	Wesley's Chapel Ghana Fellowship Reflective Service with songs from Taizé
Monday 27		Boxing Day – Chapel Closed
Friday 31	11.00pm	Watchnight Service
<u>January</u>		
Saturday 1	PM	Emerging Adults Social (18-30)
Sunday 2	11.00am 12.30pm 12.30pm	The Covenant Service (with Holy Communion) Methodist Women in Britain Wesley's Chapel Men's Fellowship
Monday 3		Bank Holiday – Chapel Closed
Thursday 6		Epiphany
Sunday 9	7.00pm	International Prayer in the style of the Taizé Community
Saturday 15	4.30pm	Emerging Adults Bible Study (18-30)
18-25		Week of Prayer for Christian Unity
Wednesday 19	6.30pm	Board of Trustees Meeting
Thursday 20	12.45pm	Ecumenical Service to celebrate Week of Prayer for Christian Unity
Sunday 30	12.30pm 7.00pm	Wesley's Chapel Ghana Fellowship Reflective Service with songs from Taizé

February

Tuesday 1	2.00pm	House & Museum Committee Meeting
Saturday 5	PM	Emerging Adults Social (18-30)
Sunday 6	11.00am 12.30pm 12.30pm	Service to commission Pastoral Leaders Methodist Women in Britain Wesley's Chapel Men's Fellowship
Sunday 13	7.00pm	International Prayer in the style of the Taizé Community
Saturday 19	4.30pm	Emerging Adults Bible Study (18-30)
Sunday 27	12.30pm 7.00pm	Wesley's Chapel Ghana Fellowship Reflective Service with songs from Taizé

March

Tuesday 1		Shrove Tuesday
Wednesday 2	12.45pm 7.30pm	Ash Wednesday Lunchtime Communion Service Ash Wednesday Evening Communion Service
Friday 4	7.00pm	Service to celebrate Women's World Day of Prayer
Saturday 5	PM	Emerging Adults Social (18-30)
Sunday 6	9.45am 11.00am 12.30pm 12.30pm 12.30pm	Love Feast Morning Service with Communion Prayers at John Wesley's Tomb Methodist Women in Britain Wesley's Chapel Men's Fellowship
Wednesday 9	7.30pm	Lenten Communion Service
Thursday 10	7.00pm	Local Preachers Meeting
Sunday 13	7.00pm	International Prayer in the style of the Taizé Community
Wednesday 16	7.30pm	Lenten Communion Service

Thursday 17	6.30pm	Board of Trustees Meeting
Saturday 19	4.30pm	Emerging Adults Bible Study (18-30)
Wednesday 23	7.30pm	Lenten Communion Service
Sunday 27	11.00am 12.30pm 7.00pm	Mothering Sunday Wesley's Chapel Ghana Fellowship Reflective Service with songs from Taizé
Wednesday 30	7.30pm	Lenten Communion Service

April

Saturday 2	PM	Emerging Adults Social (18-30)
Sunday 3	12.30pm 12.30pm	Methodist Women in Britain Wesley's Chapel Men's Fellowship
Wednesday 6	7.30pm	Lenten Communion Service
Sunday 10	11.00am 7.00pm	Palm Sunday International Prayer in the style of the Taizé Community
Wednesday 13	7.30pm	Lenten Communion Service
Thursday 14	12.45pm 7.30pm	Maundy Thursday Communion Service Tenebrae Service
Friday 15	10.00–12.00	Good Friday Reflective Vigil
Saturday 16	4.30pm 8.30pm	Emerging Adults Bible Study (18-30) The Easter Vigil
Sunday 17	11.00am 12.30pm 12.30pm	Easter Day Communion Service Methodist Women in Britain Wesley's Chapel Men's Fellowship
Monday 18		Easter Monday - Chapel Closed
Sunday 24	12.30pm 7.00pm	Wesley's Chapel Ghana Fellowship Reflective Service with songs from Taizé

Saturday 30 10.00am Representative Synod – Westminster Central Hall

May

Sunday 1 12.30pm
12.30pm Methodist Women in Britain
Wesley's Chapel Men's Fellowship

Monday 2 Bank Holiday - Chapel Closed

Tuesday 3 2.00pm House & Museum Committee Meeting

Saturday 7 PM Emerging Adults Social (18-30)

Sunday 8 7.00pm International Prayer in the style of the Taizé
Community

Saturday 14 4.30pm Emerging Adults Bible Study (18-30)

15-21 Christian Aid Week

Sunday 22 Aldersgate Sunday

Tuesday 24 Wesley Day Celebrations

Wednesday 25 12.45pm Old Leysian Communion Service

Thursday 26 Ascension Day

Sunday 29 12.30pm
7.00pm Wesley's Chapel Ghana Fellowship
Reflective Service with songs from Taizé

Monday 30 Chapel closed – Bank Holiday

June

Saturday 4 PM Emerging Adults Social (18-30)

Sunday 5 12.30pm Pentecost
General Church Meeting

Wednesday 8 7.00pm Local Preachers Meeting

Sunday 12 7.00pm Trinity Sunday
International Prayer in the style of the Taizé Community

Wednesday 15	6.30pm	Board of Trustees Meeting
Saturday 18	4.30pm	Emerging Adults Bible Study (18-30)
Sunday 26	12.30pm 7.00pm	Wesley's Chapel Ghana Fellowship Reflective Service with songs from Taizé

July

Saturday 2	PM	Emerging Adults Social (18-30)
Sunday 3	12.30pm 12.30pm	Methodist Women in Britain Wesley's Chapel Men's Fellowship
Sunday 10	7.00pm	International Prayer in the style of the Taizé Community
Saturday 16	4.30pm	Emerging Adults Bible Study (18-30)
Sunday 31	12.30pm 7.00pm	Wesley's Chapel Ghana Fellowship Reflective Service with songs from Taizé

August

Saturday 6	PM	Emerging Adults Social (18-30)
Sunday 7	12.30pm 12.30pm	Methodist Women in Britain Wesley's Chapel Men's Fellowship
Sunday 14	7.00pm	International Prayer in the style of the Taizé Community
Saturday 20	4.30pm	Emerging Adults Bible Study (18-30)
Sunday 28	12.30pm 7.00pm	Wesley's Chapel Ghana Fellowship Reflective Service with songs from Taizé
Monday 29		Chapel closed – Bank Holiday

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