



# CASTLE STREET METHODIST CHURCH

*"Where all are welcome – all the time"*

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## Sunday 1st May 2016

*Welcome to worship with us – whether this is the first time you have entered our church, or if you are a long-standing member of our congregation. We seek to offer friendship and opportunities for learning more of God's will in this place and in this generation.*

*Refreshments are served in the hall following most Sunday services – please do stay for a chat over a cuppa and a biscuit.*

**Sun 1st May                    10.45 ALL-AGE MORNING WORSHIP**  
**Deacon Ian Murray**

**18.30 EVENING WORSHIP WITH HOLY COMMUNION**  
**Rev. Alison Walker**

*We pray... for those preparing for examinations*

Wed 4th May                10.00 "Time to Be" prayer and fellowship

10.30-12.00 Coffee morning

12.00-13.00 "Forever Active" exercise class

19.00 for 20.00 Table Talk (*see overleaf*)

Thu 5th May    10.00-12.00 "First Friends" baby and toddler group

**Sun 8th May                10.45 MORNING WORSHIP**  
**Tess Maddin**

**18.30 EVENING WORSHIP**  
**Dr. Derek Nicholls**

*Please take a copy of Castle View for fuller details of what's on each month.*

## **Bible readings for today's services**

10.45am: Luke 15: 11-27

6.30pm: Psalm 67 (*page 493*)

Acts 16: 9-15 (*page 129*)

Revelation 21: 10, 22 - 22: 5 (*page 248*)



## **Berenice Greenfield, RIP**

It is with sadness we announce that Berenice Greenfield, at 103 years the oldest member of our congregation, died early yesterday morning. We remember her family in our prayers.



## **Table Talk this term – Wednesday evenings**

Table Talk has now resumed, and, by special request, is studying the book of Revelation. As ever the group is open to everyone. Come along at 7pm for food (they aim to eat at about 7.15pm), or at 8pm to join the discussions. The programme planned so far is as follows:

- 4th May: Revelation chapters 2 & 3: letters to the churches, which one is Castle Street?!
- 11th May: Revelation chapters 4-7: weird creatures, weird words and suffering
- 18th May: A musical evening with composer Fred (visiting from USA) and Robin Walker, exploring how Fred sees music, composing, inspiration and faith
- 25th May: Revelation chapters 8-15: Angels and warnings, dragons, beasts – and playing Countdown?
- 1st June: Revelation chapters 15-19: Bowls and Babylon
- 8th June: Revelation chapter 19-22: a new heaven and a new earth



## **Christian Aid Lunch – Sunday 15th May**

We are holding a lunch on Sunday 15th May in support of Christian Aid. There will be soup, bread and cheese, but please bring a pudding if you can (one that doesn't need heating!). Please sign up on the sheet on the notice board if you plan to come, or contact Nicola Simmonds (e-mail: nbrunning at hotmail dot co dot uk) before Friday 13th May. A donation of £3 will just cover costs. Offers of help to set up, clear away and wash-up on the day would be very welcome – please contact Nicola.

### **“Kilvert’s Diary” at Orwell**

Orwell Methodist Church is holding a “rural church day” on Saturday (7th May), starting at 11am. There will be selected readings period hymns and scripture based around Revd. Francis Kilvert’s diary recounting nine years as a clergyman in Wiltshire and the Welsh borders around 1870. The event includes a wildflower picture quiz, a second-hand bookstall, and a ploughman’s lunch (with cloudy apple juice). To book a place, contact Revd. Chris White (e-mail: c.white428 at btinternet dot com). The suggested donation of £4.50 will be used for church funds.



### **“Faith to Live By” service at Haslingfield next Sunday morning**

The next “Faith to Live By” takes place next Sunday morning (8th May), when Revd. Simon Oliver talks about “Cottenham five years on”. Simon was appointed in 2010 to work alongside Cottenham Community Centre as a Pioneer Minister to 20-40 year olds. As the project enters its second phase (which includes a new role ministering with Histon Methodist Church), Simon will reflect on the joys and struggles, the failures and the signs of hope, and also begin to consider the implications to the wider Methodist Church of this kind of ministry. As usual, there will be a time of worship, an address, and then refreshments and informal discussion. It starts at 10am.



### **“A time for Remembrance”**

This service for anyone affected by the loss of a baby at any stage of pregnancy, at birth or in babyhood, or a child in childhood or adulthood takes place at 3pm next Sunday afternoon (8th May) at Wesley Methodist Church. It will be followed by refreshments. A crèche will be available.



### **“Science Meets Faith” at Wesley Methodist Church, Monday 9th May**

Prof. Keith Fox (University of Southampton, and Associate Director of the Faraday Institute for Science and Religion in Cambridge) will give a talk entitled “God and DNA”. It starts at 7.45pm, with refreshments served from 7.15pm. Visit [www.wesleycam.org.uk/sciencemeetsfaith.htm](http://www.wesleycam.org.uk/sciencemeetsfaith.htm) for more information.

## **Christian Aid service on the evening of 15th May**

The Christian Aid service for Cambridge will be held at St. Luke's this year, starting at 7pm – not as shown in the Diary in the May *Castle View*. There will be no service at Castle Street that evening (it would have been an Iona Service at St. Luke's anyway).



## **Celebrating Fairtrade in Cambridge**

Come and discuss the significance of Fairtrade in the city of Cambridge on Wednesday 11th May in the Great Hall Foyer Room at The Leys School. Cambridge is a Fairtrade City, and Castle Street is a Fairtrade Church. Registration takes place from 7pm with refreshments available, and the evening gets underway at 7.30pm.

The keynote address, "How Fairtrade makes a difference", will be given by Barbara Crowther, Director of Policy and Public Affairs at The Fairtrade Foundation. There will then be a short time for questions before a round table discussion with contributions from various stakeholders – Cambridge City Council, schools and the universities, hospitality and retail organisations, Fairtrade employers, faith communities and places of worship, campaigners and community organisations, Cambridge Sustainable Food, and others. The evening will close at 9pm. To book a free place, visit [www.eventbrite.com/e/celebrating-fairtrade-in-cambridge-tickets-24434110081](http://www.eventbrite.com/e/celebrating-fairtrade-in-cambridge-tickets-24434110081).



## **Road closures next Sunday (8th May)**

Signs have been in place for a few weeks advertising that several roads – including Castle Street and Huntingdon Road – will be closed to vehicles between 11.30am and 1pm for an event next Sunday. This should not really affect people coming to morning worship at Castle Street, but it might mean you have to stay and chat for a bit longer over coffee.

Please contact **Brian Carter** if you have any items for inclusion on next Sunday's notice sheet, ideally by Friday evening.

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