



# CASTLE STREET METHODIST CHURCH

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

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## Sundays 21st & 28th August 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 21st Aug            10.45 MORNING WORSHIP**  
**Rev. Dr. Stuart Mews**

*We pray... for the message of the Bible*

Wed 24th Aug            10.00 "Time to Be" prayer and fellowship  
10.30-12.00 Coffee morning

**Sun 28th Aug            09.30 UNITED MORNING WORSHIP**  
**at St. Augustine's**  
**Rev. Dr. Janet Bunker and Rev. Colin Smith**

**18.30 EVENING WORSHIP**  
**John Boocock**

*We pray... for housebound members and friends*

Wed 31st Aug            10.00 "Time to Be" prayer and fellowship  
10.30-12.00 Coffee morning

**Sun 4th Sep            10.45 MORNING WORSHIP**  
**Rev. Gillian Slaymaker**

**17.00 CIRCUIT WELCOME SERVICE at Royston**

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

## **Services tonight and next Sunday**

- A reminder that there is no Iona service at St. Luke's this evening.
- The morning service next week (28th August) is a Church at Castle United Service at St. Augustine's, Richmond Road, and starts at 9.30am. As is usual on these occasions, it will include Holy Communion.
- The evening service next Sunday, led by John Boocock, will be another "minor memorials" service, with contributions from various members of the congregation.



## **Circuit Welcome Service – Sunday 4th September at Royston**

A reminder of the Welcome Service for Revd. Charity Nzegwu on the evening of Sunday 4th September – two weeks' time – at Royston Methodist Church, Queen's Road (just round the corner from the railway station). The service starts at 5pm, and will include Holy Communion.



## **St. Giles' Fair – Saturday 3rd September, 12 noon to 4pm**

This year, St. Giles' is holding its Annual Fair on Saturday 3rd September – put the date in your diary and come along, enjoy the day and help good causes. Castle Street is, as last year, sharing tables with St. Luke's. Heather is asking for donations; we are calling the stall "Auntie used to have one but..." – we refer really to white elephant or bric-a-brac. You may give items directly to Heather or leave them in the donations box / area in the church hall (at Castle Street).

Offers of help at the stall will be most welcome. You don't have to do all day: any time will be fine, come along and help for as much time as you can handle! All proceeds this year will be split evenly between Water Aid and Cambridge Foodbank. Speak to Heather if you want to know more.



## **Summer Socials**

There was a good group at Joanna's summer social on Thursday evening, and they enjoyed sugar-free desserts and were brain-teased by quizzes on theme tunes from TV programmes, old and current. Thank you to those who attended, and to Joanna for organising and hosting it. If anyone else would like to host one, sometime before the end of September, please sign up on the notice board, or speak to Joanna.

## **“Ride, Drive and Stride” event – Saturday 10th September**

The annual “Ride, Drive and Stride” event organised by the Cambridgeshire Historic Churches Trust is on Saturday 10th September, between 10am and 6pm. The idea is to visit as many participating churches as you wish – by bike, on foot or by car -- and seek sponsorship in doing so. Castle Street will be open to visitors on that day, and there will be a rota for folk to welcome our visitors. We are not aware of any organised individual or group from Castle Street planning to sally forth, but there is still time to get organised and seek sponsors. Half the money raised goes to the Trust, the other half to a church of one’s choice. See John Boocock for details and forms if you are so moved!



## **Family Barn Dance – Saturday 24th September**

A reminder about the family barn dance next month, starting at 4.30pm and with a shepherd’s pie supper at around 6pm – put the date of Saturday 24th September in your diaries now.

The caller will again be Joyce Goodall. This is a social event for people of any age – please invite your friends and bring your extended family old and young! Entry on the door; suggested donation £7 adult and £3 child. All proceeds will be split between the Methodist Relief and Development charity “All We Can” and local charity Cherryhomes Trust. If you can volunteer to bring a shepherd’s pie please contact Kimberley.



## **Storage space wanted**

The Cambridge Refugee Resettlement Campaign are seeking help with finding somewhere to store items which have been donated for the Syrian families who are re-settling in Cambridge. It is well sorted and in labelled boxes, and is currently occupying about half of a back garden summer house. There is a mixture of different things – clothes, baby equipment, etc. Access will be needed from time to time as new families arrive and CRRC works out what they require.

If you can help, please contact Rosemary Watson (e-mail: *rosemary dot watson at talk21 dot com*).

## Prayer Handbooks

The annual Methodist Prayer Handbook for 2016-17 is called "Freedoms to Share", and runs from 1st September. Sarah Creeke has offered to take on the task of ordering these: if you would like one, please contact Sarah. If ten or more copies are ordered, they will cost £3.50 each.



## *The Divide* film-showing

What happens when the rich get richer? Inspired by the best-selling book *The Spirit Level*, Katharine Round's film *The Divide* is showing at the Cambridge Arts Picturehouse on Tuesday 30th August at 6.15pm. The film has been shown around the country, and seems to be well received. It will be followed from 8pm until 8.45pm by a Directors' Q&A session, with Christopher Hird (Executive Director, *The Divide*), Dr. Lucy Delap (University of Cambridge), Dr. Daniel Smith (Anglia Ruskin University) and George Weyman (The Cambridge Commons). Tickets can be booked on the Arts Picturehouse website



## World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation

The September *Castle View* is to contain a report from the 2016 Methodist Conference, recently held in London. However, one item which is rather time-sensitive is the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation.

The Conference encouraged all Methodists to join with their sisters and brothers in the Roman Catholic and Orthodox Churches in observing the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation on 1st September.



## Notice sheets over the next few weeks

There will be no notice sheet next Sunday (28th August), but normal service will resume on 4th September. However, note that the deadline for notices for 11th September will be the preceding Wednesday evening.

Please contact **Brian Carter** if you have any items for inclusion on the next notice sheet, for Sunday 4th September, ideally by the evening of Friday 2nd September.

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