



CASTLE STREET METHODIST CHURCH

"Where all are welcome – all the time"

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Sunday 13th July 2014

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 13th Jul 10.45 MORNING WORSHIP

Rev. Dr. Janet Bunker

Bible readings: Psalm 107: 23-30 (p. 520); Mark 4: 35-41 (p. 37)

18.30 UNITED EVENING WORSHIP

Rev. Alison Walker and Rev. Dr. Tim Macquiban

(also see overleaf)

We pray... for the work of Action for Children

Wed 16th Jul 10.00 "Time To Be" prayer and fellowship

10.30-12.00 Coffee morning

12.00-13.00 "Forever Active" exercise class

19.30 "Back to Church Sunday" preparation session

Thu 17th Jul 10.00-12.00 Castle Street Tots

Sun 20th Jul 10.45 MORNING WORSHIP

Judy Wynn

18.30 UNITED CIRCUIT SERVICE at Wesley

Rev. Chris White and Rev. Gareth Powell

(also see overleaf)

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

This evening's service

The evening service today will be a special one. Apart from being Tim Macquiban's last visit to Castle Street before leaving the circuit for Italy, it will also be a "graduation" service for those who completed the recent Disciple course, run at Castle Street but also attended by people from across the circuit. Much of the service has been planned by those "graduating", while the preacher is Revd. Alison Walker. Please come along and give your support.



Circuit Farewell Service – next Sunday evening at 6.30pm

The evening service next Sunday (20th July) will be a united circuit service at Wesley Methodist Church, to say farewell to our Circuit Superintendent Minister, Revd. Dr. Tim Macquiban, and to commission Tim and his wife Angela for service in Italy. It will be led by Revd. Chris White, and the preacher will be Revd. Gareth Powell, Assistant Secretary of the Methodist Conference (and no stranger to those who went to the Church at Castle weekend at High Leigh last year).

As is usual at these occasions, there will be a circuit choir to sing three items during the service, under the leadership of Brian Carter and Geoff Batty. The choir will rehearse immediately before the service, from 5pm. All are welcome to join; for more information, speak to Brian.



Action for Children collecting boxes

Today is Action for Children Sunday, and it is also the time of year when the holders of Action for Children "League of Light" or "lantern" collecting boxes are asked to bring them in for emptying. Please hand them to Joyce Sharpe or any of the stewards before the end of July. If anyone else would like to make a donation, or if you do not have a collecting box but would like to have one, please have a word with Joyce or Mike Sharpe.



Toft Annual Charity Sale

Next Saturday morning (19th July), from 10am to noon, Toft has its annual sale of books, plants, cakes and high quality bric-a-brac in the chapel. Proceeds will be split between Aid for Syria and Chapel funds.

Sturton Street Community Open Day – help needed

A reminder about this event, next Saturday afternoon, from 12 noon until 4pm, for which help is required. Details have appeared on several notice sheets, and there is a sign-up sheet on the notice board. Please do go along and support this final community event.



***The Ragged Child* – SIYT summer musical**

This week is the St. Ives Youth Theatre's production of the musical *The Ragged Child*, set in the East End of London in around 1850. It's a moving piece with some great music (spot the old hymn tunes), and has a cast of fifty-two, as well as Castle Street's organist as its musical director. It's taking place in the Burgess Hall, Westwood Road, St. Ives, and runs from Wednesday (16th) to Saturday (19th). All performances start at 7.30pm. Tickets cost £9 (£6 concessions) and can be obtained on the door. See the July / August *Castle View* or www.siyt.co.uk for more details.



Isabelle Taylor off to Romania

The last two notice sheets contained details of Isabelle Taylor's forthcoming trip to Romania to work with disadvantaged children. Isabelle needed to raise £500 towards her trip, and last Sunday completed her run around all twenty-nine Cambridge University colleges. She has also now exceeded her target. More about her sponsored event can be found at www.justgiving.com/yimby/isabelleromania, and it's still possible to make a donation.



Request for accommodation

Rita Savage, the widow of former Castle Street minister Hamer Savage, is planning to attend our centenary weekend in October, and is wondering if there is anyone who is willing to "put her up" for three nights, from Friday 24th until Monday 27th October. Her e-mail address is savage.rita@gmail.com, or speak to one of the stewards if you can help.

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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