



## **Welcome to friends from Sturton Street!**

This morning we extend warm welcome to those who have joined us from Sturton Street Methodist Church, which held its final service last Sunday morning. We also welcome Chris Rayson to the Castle Street stewards team, while you may see some new items around the church which have come from Sturton Street.



## **Farewell to Lance**

This evening will be the last time Revd. Dr. Lance Stone leads worship at Castle End Mission, and his last service in Cambridge – Lance is leaving Emmanuel URC and moving to the English Reformed Church in Amsterdam.



## **For “Castle Street Tots” read “First Friends”**

Castle Street’s baby and toddler group, previously known as “Castle Street Tots”, reopens this Thursday morning after the summer break. Renamed “First Friends”, it will be led by play worker Alison Clarke, who also runs a “First Friends” group at Wesley on Mondays. There is more about this in the September *Castle View*, as well as an appeal for volunteers to help.



## **Oakington Chapel farewell service**

The final service takes place at Oakington Methodist Chapel next Sunday evening (14th September) at 6.30pm. It will be led by Revd. Chris White (Circuit Superintendent minister) and Revd. Dr. Peter Graves. There will be a collection for charity, and refreshments will be served afterwards. All are welcome to help celebrate the achievements of the past with thanksgiving.



## ***Castle View* – volunteer needed for next month**

We need a volunteer to help out with layout for next month’s *Castle View* as Anna Williams will be away on holiday. Templates and instructions will be provided – all you need is access to Word or Open Office, plus two to three hours of spare time in the few days following the copy deadline of Sunday 21st September. Please speak to Anna if you can help.

## *Wildfire*

A reminder that rehearsals have now recommenced for our production of the Roger Jones musical *Wildfire*, to take place on 15th and 16th November. We still need more singers! Please pick up a copy of the rehearsal schedule (printed on pink paper) and come along if you're interested – rehearsals are deliberately on alternate nights each week to allow people who can't make a particular evening to attend fortnightly.



### **“A faith to live by” at Haslingfield Methodist Church**

The first in this Connexional year's programme takes place next Sunday evening (14th September) at 6.30pm, and will be led by John Hardwick – this morning's preacher at Castle Street.

In an evening entitled “Passing on the baton – reaching the next generation”, John will tell of his work with children over the last twenty-five years (some of which will be seen at Castle Street today). The evening will include a short time of worship, the presentation, refreshments, and time for discussion. All are welcome.



### **Reminders of some important events coming up (details in *Castle View*)**

- Open meeting to discuss renewing our Mission Statement – Thursday 25th September at 7.30pm.
- Harvest Festival – Sunday 28th September: morning service led by Revd. Alan Ashton, and followed by lunch.
- Castle Hill Open Day – Saturday 18th October.
- Church Anniversary: Centenary Reunion and Pageant – afternoon / evening of Saturday 25th October, including a tea.
- Church Anniversary: Centenary service – Sunday 26th October at 10.45am, led by Revd. Ken Howcroft, President of the Methodist Conference.
- Circuit service at Castle Street – Sunday 26th October at 3pm, with Revd. Ken Howcroft.

## **Inter-faith peace rally**

The week of prayer for world peace is 12th to 19th October, and as part of that there is to be an inter-faith peace rally at Dereham Methodist Church, Theatre Street, Dereham, Norfolk, on Saturday 18th October, starting at 2pm. The speaker will be Bruce Kent. Tea and coffee will be available after the rally. There is some parking at the church. For more information, contact (01328) 878 709.



## **Items from the September Circuit Diary**

A copy of the Circuit Diary is pinned on the "Circuit" noticeboard.

Forthcoming events not mentioned in the September *Castle View* include:

- Quiet day for private prayer and reflection – Histon Methodist Church, Wednesday 24th September, 10am to 8pm: with prayer stations to guide your thoughts. Stay for as long or short a time as you wish.
- "Big Issues" series: "Two great nations divided by a common language: reflections on British and American church and society", presented by Revd. Dr. Peter Graves – Histon Methodist Church, Thursday 25th September, 7pm for 7.30pm. Refreshments, including desserts.
- The Centenary Lecture: "Dylan Thomas and R. S. Thomas: two doubting Thomases?" given by Lord [Revd. Dr. Leslie] Griffiths of Burry Port – Wesley Methodist Church, Saturday 27th September at 4pm. Part of the Cambridge University Alumni Weekend.

Various Royston Fringe events at Royston Methodist Church are listed in *Castle View*.



## **Emmanuel Forums: "GM crops – conflict and the created order"**

A lecture given by Prof. Sir Brian Heap, at Emmanuel United Reformed Church, Trumpington Street, on Tuesday 23rd September at 7.30pm.

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

Tel: (01954) 782 762

E-mail: [briancarter@o2email.co.uk](mailto:briancarter@o2email.co.uk)