



CASTLE STREET METHODIST CHURCH

"Where all are welcome – all the time"

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Sunday 14th September 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 14th Sep 10.45 MORNING WORSHIP

Rev. Dr. Janet Bunker

Bible readings: Numbers 21: 4-9 (p. 133); John 3: 14-21 (p. 90)

18.30 UNITED EVENING WORSHIP

Rev. Ank Rigelsford

We pray... for racial justice

Wed 17th Sep 10.00 "Time to Be" prayer and fellowship

10.30-12.00 Coffee morning

12.00-13.00 "Forever Active" exercise class

19.30 *Wildfire* rehearsal

Thu 18th Sep 10.00-12.00 "First Friends" baby and toddler group

Sun 21st Sep 10.45 MORNING WORSHIP WITH HOLY COMMUNION

Rev. Alison Walker

18.30 CASTLE END MISSION HARVEST FESTIVAL

Rev. Prof. David Thompson

Special collection for the "Seed Project"

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

Oakington Chapel farewell service – today

The final service takes place at Oakington Methodist Chapel this evening 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.



“A faith to live by” at Haslingfield Methodist Church

The first in this Connexional year’s programme takes place this evening at 6.30pm, and will be led by John Hardwick – last Sunday morning’s preacher at Castle Street. The evening is entitled “Passing on the baton – reaching the next generation”, and will take on the usual format – a short time of worship, address, refreshments and discussion. All are welcome.

In a relay race if one runner decides not to bother then the race is over for that team of runners. In a similar way, we as Christians have a responsibility to “pass on the baton” and tell the next generation about God’s love for them. King David said in Psalm 71: 18 (NIV) “Even when I am old and grey, do not forsake me, my God, till I declare your power to the next generation, your mighty acts to all who are to come.” “Telling the Next Generation” has been John Hardwick’s mission for more than twenty-five years. He juggles and sings and tells stories for the King!

Not only is he involved in many different outreach activities himself but in the early 1990s he led the Saltmine Children’s team, then he trained a children’s team in Lebanon, he is also the co-founder of the GenR8 school teams that reach around 40,000 children in Cambridge and further afield. He writes resources books which have not only been used in churches across the UK but have been translated and used in other lands. He also produces CDs and DVDs of songs and stories.



Castle View – volunteer needed for next month

We need a volunteer to help out with layout for next month’s *Castle View*. Templates and instructions will be provided – all you need is access to Word or Open Office, plus two to three hours of spare time just after next weekend. Please speak to Anna or Matt Williams if you can help.

Food Safety course

Haslingfield and Harlton Luncheon Club is organising a Food Safety Level 2 Course on Saturday 8th November from 10am (enrolment and refreshments from 9.30am) to 4pm at Haslingfield Methodist Church. It is being run primarily for its own cooks, but there are fifty places available so it is opening it up to other charities and churches. The cost is only £20 (it's normally £50!), but it is being led by someone qualified and very experienced who ran one there about five years ago.

Bookings must be received by 4th October – contact Christine Kipping (grahamkipping at aol dot com).



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.

Harmony in Harlem – part of the Royston Fringe

This seventeen-piece big band, playing the music of Duke Ellington, will give a concert at Royston Methodist Church on Friday evening (19th September) at 7.45pm. Tickets cost £10, and can be obtained from Brian on (01763) 241 066. Other Royston Fringe events at Royston Methodist Church are listed in *Castle View*, or visit www.RoystonArtsFestival.org.



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.



Emmanuel Forum: “GM crops – are they the answer?”

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

Items for the October *Castle View*...

... should be with its Editor, Colin Moule, next Sunday (21st) please.

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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