



CASTLE STREET METHODIST CHURCH

"Where all are welcome – all the time"

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Sunday 2nd November 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 2nd Nov** **10.45 ALL-AGE MORNING WORSHIP**
Rev. Alison Walker
- 18.30 UNITED EVENING WORSHIP at C.E.M.**
Margaret Cooper

We pray... for all who serve our church

- Tue 4th Nov 19.30 *Wildfire* rehearsal
- Wed 5th Nov 10.00 "Time to Be" prayer and fellowship
- 10.30-12.00 Coffee morning
- 12.00-13.00 "Forever Active" exercise class
- Thu 6th Nov 10.00-12.00 "First Friends" baby and toddler group
- 19.00 for 20.15 Thursday Table Talk (*see overleaf*)

- Sun 9th Nov** **10.45 MORNING WORSHIP**
(Remembrance Sunday) **Rev. Ank Rigelsford & Marie Lucchetta**
- 18.30 UNITED EVENING WORSHIP**
Jim Taylor

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

“Thursday Table Talk”

The new midweek group has its third session this coming Thursday evening. For those who wish it, a hot meal will be shared at 7pm (or shortly afterwards), followed by a cup of coffee (or tea) at 8pm. The discussion begins at 8.15pm, with this week’s topic coming from the *Table Talk* resource. The evening will end at about 9.30pm. Please let Alison know if you’re planning to participate in the hot meal, and also be prepared to make a small contribution towards the cost of the food.

“Thursday Table Talk” will take place weekly, and the programme until Christmas was listed two weeks ago and should also be in the November *Castle View*, which should be available today.



“Bangers and Mash” on Bonfire Night

Every year on 5th November (Wednesday this week, if you’ve not realised) MethSoc (the Cambridge Student Methodist Society) holds a “Bangers and Mash” event at Wesley Methodist Church, where they cook a traditional Bonfire Night meal for people to enjoy after the fireworks on Midsummer Common. It starts at 8.15pm, and tickets cost £4 (£2.50 for children and students), with monies raised this year going to the Macmillan Cancer charity.

All are welcome to go along (payment on the night is acceptable), but they need to know numbers in advance – please contact Sarah Morgan (e-mail sem91 at cam dot ac dot uk) to book your place.



Birthdays and profiles for *Castle View*

With so many new friends joining us recently, we’d like to restart the popular “Getting to know you” feature in *Castle View*. If you’d like to introduce you or your family to us all with a short piece and photo, please get in touch with either Anna Williams or Colin Moule.

The monthly birthday list is also in need of some updating. If you’d like yourself or a member of your family (children, grandchildren) to be featured, please let us know the relevant names and dates and we’ll make sure you’re included in future.

Road Peace Service at St. Luke's

It is the season for Remembrance again. Since 1998 there has been a "Road Peace" service in Cambridge, held on World Remembrance Day for Road Traffic Victims. This is always the Sunday after Remembrance Sunday, so 16th November this year. The service will be at St. Luke's Church, Victoria Road. It starts at 3.30pm, and will be led by Revd. Deborah McVey and Brendan Murrill, Senior Charge Nurse in the Emergency Department at Addenbrooke's Hospital.

It may be that you know someone whose life has been affected by losing a close relative or friend in a road accident. It could be that a personal invitation or an offer to accompany them to such a service might be a real help to families or individuals affected – especially for those who do not have the regular Sunday experience of Church and a supportive community to help them through the grieving process.

Families *do* find this a time of encouragement and hope, with the opportunity to write their loved one's name on an oak leaf, to hear their name voiced aloud, to light a candle, all in a safe and sacred space. There will be refreshments afterwards and time to meet and share with others if they wish. Please invite anyone who comes to your mind at this time.

For further information, please contact Revd. Deborah McVey (details below). If anyone cannot attend but would want a loved-one's name to be included, again please e-mail or phone and that person will be included in the "naming" and in the prayers.

Revd. Deborah McVey: tel: *see printed notice sheet*
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I Witness: images of hope from Haiti

The Chapter House of Ely Cathedral is host to a photography exhibition on behalf of Christian Aid. "I Witness" shows life-changing projects taking place in Haiti today, as witnessed by some rather special Christian Aid supporters. It started last Monday and runs until this coming Thursday (6th November). For more information, contact Imogen Tate on (01733) 345 755 or e-mail itate@christian-aid.org.

“Shannon Express” in concert

“Shannon Express” is a male *a capella* chorus from Potton. They are giving a concert at Royston Methodist Church next Saturday (8th November) at 7.45pm. Tickets cost £8, and can be obtained from Brian on 07895 095 455; proceeds are being split between the Motor Neurone Disease Association (Cambridgeshire) and Royston Methodist Church.



“A Faith to Live By”: Faith in Foodbanks – 9th November at 6.30pm

The next in this series at Haslingfield Methodist Church takes place next Sunday evening, and will be led by Rachel Lampard.

The number of people using foodbanks has recently risen dramatically. Politicians and the media ask who is to blame for this, and many blame those who are hungry, as well as those who feed them. Are foodbanks part of the problem or part of the solution? And how should Christians respond to food poverty?

Rachel Lampard is team leader of the Joint Public Issues Team through which the Methodist Church, Baptist Union of Great Britain and the United Reformed Church engage with public policy and social justice issues. She is also a Commissioner with the Gambling Commission, the government body which regulates the gambling industry.



Events from the latest Circuit Diary (*more details next week*)

- Monday 10th November: “Science Meets Faith” at Wesley.
- Thursday 13th November: “Big Issues” at Histon.
- Saturday 15th November: Charity Fair at Haslingfield.



***Wildfire* by Roger Jones**

Don't forget our final centenary event in two weeks' time – see *Castle View* for more details.

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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