



CASTLE STREET METHODIST CHURCH

"Where all are welcome – all the time"

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Sunday 4th October 2015

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 4th Oct 10.45 ALL-AGE MORNING WORSHIP

Kimberley Rayson

Bible reading: Hebrews 1: 1-4 & 2: 5-12 (page 207)

18.30 EVENING WORSHIP WITH HOLY COMMUNION

Rev. Alison Walker

We pray... for all those at university

Mon 5th Oct 13.30 FUNERAL OF DAWN THORBURN

Wed 7th Oct 10.00 "Time to Be" prayer and fellowship

10.30-12.00 Coffee morning

12.00-13.00 "Forever Active" exercise class

Thu 8th Oct 10.00-12.00 "First Friends" baby and toddler group

Sat 10th Oct from 17.00 All-age Barn Dance and Supper *(see overleaf)*

Sun 11th Oct 10.45 MORNING WORSHIP WITH HOLY COMMUNION

Rev. Alison Walker

12.30 "Bring and share" lunch *(see overleaf)*

18.30 EVENING WORSHIP

Maureen Kendall

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

Funeral of Dawn Thorburn

The funeral of Dawn Thorburn (Nicola's mum) will take place at Castle Street tomorrow (Monday 5th October) at 1.30pm. It will be followed by a family-only service at the crematorium, and a simple funeral tea in the church hall. We remember Nicola and her family in our prayers.



Autumn Barn Dance and Supper – Saturday

A reminder about the all-age Barn Dance on Saturday (10th), with Joyce Goodall as the caller. It will start at 5pm, and a hot supper will be served from 6pm to 7pm, with dancing continuing after that. Tickets cost £8 for adults and £2 for children (in aid of the Methodist Refugee Support Fund) – please sign up on the list or let Kimberley Rayson know if you're coming along (e-mail: Kimberley *dot* rayson *at* gmail *dot* com). Any offers of help in shopping, setting up, clearing away or preparing food will also be gratefully received – speak to Kimberley or any of the stewards.



Welcome lunch for students – next Sunday

As part of our efforts to welcome students, we have become a Student Christian Movement (SCM) Link Church. Lizzie Gawen from SCM will be taking part in next Sunday morning's service, and afterwards there will be a bring-and-share lunch to welcome any students – to which all are invited to "bring and share" food.



Table Talk

Last week's notice sheet was a little premature in advertising the new term in Table Talk (which, at a later date, might move from a Thursday). It is planned to restart Table Talk on Thursday 15th October – with, as usual, a hot meal from 7pm, tea and coffee from 8pm, and the "talk" section (on this occasion, planning the meetings up to Christmas) from 8.15pm. Anyone offering to cook for the first one should contact Alison.



Pastoral and Family Committee

This was due to take place this Wednesday (7th October), but the date is being changed – with discussions underway at the time of writing.

Singing our Faith Day – Saturday 17th October at Castle Street

A reminder about this event in two weeks' time, which runs from 2pm until 7pm, and will be led by Robin Walker with Revd. Catherine Dixon as guest preacher. Full details can be found in *Castle View*.



CCHP Training

Once again there is training available for those who will be volunteering with the Cambridge Churches Homelessness Project. This training is warmly recommended for all new volunteers, and open to everyone. Please let Revd. Alison Walker know if you will be attending so she can pass on numbers for catering purposes. The dates are:

- Tuesday 3rd November, 7.30pm at Little St. Mary's Church
- Thursday 5th November, 7.30pm at St. Giles' Church
- Thursday 12th November, 7.30pm at Great St. Mary's Church

There will be supper, followed by a talk with a little more emphasis this year on the practicalities of volunteering and how we work with our guests. In addition, for people who are willing to act as "team leaders" (and thus also stay overnight) there are two further training evenings, to give an opportunity to talk together about experiences and expectations, and how to manage the evenings. These are both at Little St. Mary's Church, and start at 7.30pm:

- Tuesday 24th November: Leading a night of the CCHP: practicalities. What are our "boundaries"? Friendship and pastoral care between guests and volunteers.
- Thursday 26th November: Alcohol dependency: what it means in practice; Drug use: awareness and responsibility.



"Science Meets Faith" at Wesley

The next series of these monthly lectures at Wesley Methodist Church begins next Monday (12th October), when the Revd. the Baroness Richardson of Calow, OBE, will ask, "Is there a Christian case for assisted dying?" Refreshments are served from 7.15pm for a 7.45pm start. Admissions is free, but there will be a retiring collection.

“Big Issues” series at Histon Methodist Church

This Thursday (8th October) Martin and Moya Thompson will talk about “The Besom in Histon and Impington – how, what, where, when?” It starts at 7.30pm, and refreshments are served in the interval.

The next one is on 22nd October, when Margaret Nimmo-Smith and Pennie Harrison will talk about “Cruse – supporting bereaved people”.



Pudding Evening with a Quiz at Orwell

Orwell Methodist Church is holding a Pudding Evening with a Quiz this Friday (9th October), starting at 7pm (not 9pm as was accidentally printed last week!). Teams will comprise between six and eight members. Tickets cost £6.50 per person, and can be booked by telephoning Marion (phone number on printed version, or see Circuit Diary for October).



“Lost in translation”

The Cambridge Bible Society Action Group is holding its annual Autumn Supper this Friday (9th October) at 7pm in the Queen Edith Chapel, Wulfstan Way. The guest speaker will be Prof. Morna Hooker. Tickets cost £7, and can be obtained from Brian West (e-mail: *brian dot west1 at mypostoffice dot co dot uk*).



Accommodation request

A Palestinian Christian doctor coming to work at Addenbrooke’s Hospital is seeking accommodation for himself together with his wife and baby son. They are looking for a two-bedroom flat or house when they arrive in Cambridge on 15th November, preferably not far from Addenbrooke’s, and will be here for six months. If you can help, please contact Revd. Debbie Ford (Addenbrooke’s Chaplain) – tel.: (01223) 217 769 ext. 3769 or e-mail: *debbie dot ford at addenbrookes dot nhs dot uk*.

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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