



CASTLE STREET METHODIST CHURCH

“Where all are welcome – all the time”

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Sunday 14th May 2017

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 May 10.45 ALL-AGE MORNING WORSHIP WITH
BAPTISM AND HOLY COMMUNION
Rev. Alison Walker**

**18.30 EVENING WORSHIP
Rev. Dr. John Barrett**

We pray... for the work of Christian Aid

Wed 17th May 10.00 “Time to Be” prayer and fellowship

10.30-12.00 Coffee morning

12.00-13.00 “Forever Active” exercise class

19.00 for 20.00 Table Talk (*see overleaf*)

Thu 18th May 10.00-12.00 “First Friends” baby and toddler group

**Sun 21st May 10.45 MORNING WORSHIP
Kimberley Rayson**

12.30 Austerity Lunch (*see overleaf*)

19.00 IONA SERVICE at St. Luke’s

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

Bible readings for this evening's service

Zechariah 4: 1-10 (*page 807*)

Revelation 21: 1-14 (*page 248*)



Table Talk

This term at Table Talk (now back on Wednesday evenings) we shall be picking up a Bible study called "Reconciling Paul" and looking at 2 Corinthians – and everyone is welcome, however old or young you are, and no matter whether or not you've been to Table Talk before. Come along for a hot meal at 7pm, or just for coffee and discussion at 8pm.

If you're planning to come along for food, then it's helpful if you can let Alison know (so we have enough food), and if you're not one of the regulars it's probably also worth letting Alison know you plan to come (or check with someone) just in case it gets cancelled at the last minute because very few people can make it (as has happened on a few occasions).



Austerity Lunch – next Sunday

Austerity Lunches – one in Lent and another in Advent – have long been a tradition at Castle Street, but one which has not happened for a couple of years or so. They're a way of raising money by denying yourself something (in this case, a fancy Sunday lunch) and donating the money to charity (in this case, Christian Aid). Instead of a traditional Sunday roast (or chicken burger and chips over the road, or your favourite menu item at your favourite restaurant), there will be soup and bread (and sometimes we've had cheese) – basic, (supposedly) austere food.

So please do come along and support this event, and give generously – remember, it's for Christian Aid (envelopes will be available). There will be a variety of soups to choose from (and it will probably be possible to sample more than one: even more reason to give generously!). If you plan to come, please sign up on the sheet on the notice board, so we don't make too much or too little. But if you forget to sign up, please come along anyway... and don't forget to give generously (have I said that already?).

We'll start at about 12.30pm, and plan to finish by 1.30pm (so that we can get out before the Koreans have their meal).

Kofood – a one-day Korean food festival at Castle Street

Cambridge Yeolim Church (the Korean Presbyterian Church which meets for worship in our premises on Sunday afternoons) is organising this event between 10am and 4pm next Saturday (20th May). Prices will range from 50p to £5, with all profits being donated to missionary work.



Action for Children project in Harston

Some people may be aware that Action for Children has a bungalow in Harston for severely disabled young people. There is to be an Open Morning on Tuesday 23rd May between 10am and 12 noon, and the registered manager, Joy Bradley, invites anyone interested to come along and find out more about the work they are doing and ways in which they might be able to help. Joy would like a rough idea of how many people to expect (for catering purposes), so if you plan to go could you please contact Phyllis Salmon. The bungalow is at 12 London Road, Harston: turn off the A10 at the main traffic lights in the village, and it's the second or third on the right-hand side.



“Making Sense of Leviticus” – tonight at 7pm

This lecture will be given by Dr. Ruth Perrin of St. John's College, Durham, and takes place in the Church Room at St. John's, Waterbeach as part of its “Making Sense of the Old Testament” series.

Ruth is a passionate advocate and interpreter of Leviticus, which in a recent survey by the Bible Society, was the least popular book in the Bible. This is a warm invitation for us to engage with this rich and sometimes challenging material. There will be an opportunity for questions and comments, and refreshments will also be served.

The next two events in the series will be “Making Sense of the Prophets” with Dr. Nathan McDonald on Sunday 18th June and “Making Sense of the Psalms” with Dr. Alison Gray on Monday 10th July.



An introduction to the organ

Details of this were first advertised many weeks ago, and also appear in the May *Castle View* – but a reminder to anyone interested that it takes place this coming Saturday (20th May) and you need to register.

“Kingdom Come” Prayer Week

This is taking place during the period between Ascension Day (Thursday 25th May) and Pentecost (Sunday 4th June). There are several events:

- From 9.30am on Friday 26th to 11am on Sunday 28th May: “Prayer 48” at St. James’ Church, Wulfstan Way – 48 hours of continuous prayer, in conjunction with St. John the Evangelist, Hills Road, and St. Andrew’s, Cherry Hinton (see <http://stjamescambridge.org.uk/events/prayer-48>).
- From Sunday 28th May to Sunday 4th June: city-wide open week of continuous prayer at St. Clement’s Church, Bridge Street – hour-long slots for prayer can be booked (see www.kingdomcomecambridge.org).
- Sunday 4th June, 6.30pm: United Beacon prayer event at Great St. Mary’s Church (see www.kingdomcomecambridge.org).
- Set an alarm, and pray the Lord’s Prayer at midday every day.



An Evening with Brother Yun, Tuesday 6th June

The King’s Church in Tenison Road is hosting the visit of world-renowned speaker Brother Yun. Brother Yun’s life is an intensely dramatic story of how God took a young, half-starved boy from a poor village in Henan Province and used him mightily to preach the gospel, despite horrific opposition. Brother Yun is one of China’s house church leaders, a man who despite his relative youth has suffered prolonged torture and imprisonment for his faith. Instead of focusing on the many miracles or experiences of suffering, however, Yun prefers to emphasise the character and beauty of Jesus. Brother Yun is most well recognised for his book *The Heavenly Man*, which won Christian Book of the Year in 2003.

Admission is by ticket (£6 per person, plus a booking fee), and tickets can be booked at <https://heavenlyman.eventbrite.co.uk>. All money received from ticket sales will be donated back to Brother Yun’s organisation (see <https://backtojerusalem.com>). Note there is only limited car parking on site, but details will be sent out about the nearby free overflow car park when you book.

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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