



# CASTLE STREET METHODIST CHURCH

*"Where all are welcome – all the time"*

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## Sunday 22nd October 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 22nd Oct      10.45    MORNING WORSHIP      Mary Ratcliffe**

*Bible readings: Isaiah 45: 1-7 (page 618)*

*Matthew 22: 15-22 (page 23)*

**18.30    EVENING WORSHIP      Geoff Ling**

*Bible readings: Psalm 146 (page 538)*

*Hebrews 13: 1-6 (page 216)*

*Matthew 25: 31-46 (page 28)*

*We pray... for the message of the Bible*

Wed 25th Oct      10.00    "Time to Be" prayer and fellowship

10.30-12.00    Coffee morning

*Note: "Forever Active" is cancelled this week*

19.00 for 20.00    "Table Talk" (see also overleaf)

Thu 26th Oct    10.00-12.00    "First Friends" baby and toddler group

**Sun 29th Oct      10.45    MORNING WORSHIP  
Rev. Alison Walker**

**18.30    EVENING WORSHIP  
Maggie Richardson**

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

## **“Table Talk” this week**

Table Talk is our “group for young adults”, and is meeting every Wednesday evening until the end of November. We gather to eat a simple meal at 7pm, or if you just want to come and join us for coffee, worship and discussion then arrive at 8pm. We finish by 9.30pm. If you’re planning to come for the meal then it’s helpful (but not essential) if you can let Alison know (if you haven’t already done so, or filled in the Doodle poll) so we can more accurately estimate numbers.

We’re now half way through the study of the Book of James (but it’s not too late to join in), with the remaining two sessions being:

- 25th Oct – James 3 and 4: 1-12: “Speech and Wisdom”
- 1st Nov – James 4: 13-17 and 5: “Living for the Lord”

On 8th November we shall, a little prematurely perhaps, begin an advent course – more details will appear nearer the time.



## **“Big Issues” at Histon Methodist Church – this Thursday evening**

The next of these twice-monthly talk and discussion evenings takes place this Thursday (26th October), starting at 7.30pm. Sir Brian Heap, Senior Advisor of the Smart Villages Initiative will ask, “Can smart villages help to stem poverty?” Refreshments will be served during the interval.



## **New song next Sunday – why not have a look in advance?**

Next Sunday morning, during the all-age time, we’re going to use hymn 406 for the first time. There are some photocopies of the music available to take away today, or visit <http://bit.ly/2gu2lWA> to hear a recording.



## **Songs for Seed – Saturday 28th October at St. Paul’s Church, Hills Road**

An uplifting evening of sizzling songs of hope with an African flavour from the Resound Acappella Choir. The concert is in support of the Seed Project, helping Zimbabwean communities to work themselves out of poverty, and there is a suggested donation of £10 (to be paid on the door). Seat reservations can be made by contacting Janet Walker (e-mail: [janet\\_dot\\_walker3 at googlemail dot com](mailto:janet_dot_walker3_at_googlemail_dot_com)). It starts at 7.30pm, and there will be nibbles and drinks available.

## **Church Family Meal – Sunday 19th November**

We would like to invite students from the nearby colleges, who will be about three-quarters of the way through term and (perhaps) feeling a little homesick, to join us for a “Church Family Meal” after our morning service on 19th November (starting at about 12.15pm, and finishing by 1.30pm). We’d also like members of the church to be there, of course!

If you feel able to contribute a dish – ideally something prepared in a single pot or pan which can be quickly warmed up and served – please let Chris Rayson know (e-mail: cjr43 at cantab dot net).



## **Christian Aid “Inherit the Earth” exhibition at Wesley**

The October *Castle View* has details of this exhibition at Wesley Methodist Church which continues this week. It’s open from 9am until 12.30pm on Monday to Friday.



## **“A Faith to Live By” at Haslingfield Methodist Church – 5th November**

In the next of these special services, Revd. Dr. Stuart Jordan will address the question, “What have the theologians ever done for us?” It starts at 6.30pm. More information will appear in due course.



## **“Creating Safer Space” – reminder of forthcoming training dates**

- Foundation Training (for those who have never attended safeguarding training in this circuit) – Thursday 30th November, 6.30pm to 9pm at Chesterton Methodist Church.
- Refresher Training (for those who have not attended a safeguarding course in the circuit since 2015) – Saturday 27th January 2018, 10am to 12 noon at Haslingfield Methodist Church, or Thursday 8th February 2018, 7pm to 9pm at Chesterton Methodist Church (the latter clashes with our Church Council).

If you have questions about the training or to check if you need to attend, please contact Deacon Ian Murray (e-mail: deacon.cmc@gmail.com) or Richard Elcock (e-mail: rs dot elcock at btinternet dot com). To book a place, please contact Miriam in the circuit office (e-mail: secretary at cambridgemethodistcircuit dot org dot uk).

**Faith in the Arts: The Word and the Arts – Monday 30th October, 7.45pm**  
“A New Reformation” with Revd. Dr. Tim Macquiban at Wesley Methodist Church. Refreshments from 7.15pm. Free admission – retiring collection



**An Evening with Paul Field – advance notice**

Saturday 25th November at Royston – more details will appear in the November *Castle View*.



**CCHP – reminder of training dates for new volunteers**

Wednesday 8th November at St. Paul’s, Thursday 9th November at Great St. Mary’s, and Tuesday 14th November at Little St. Mary’s. All start at 7pm, and include supper; new volunteers need to attend one of them.



**Part Time Office Manager, Cards from Africa**

Cards from Africa is looking for an Office Manager for its Cambridge office for sixteen hours per week, flexible time. Cards from Africa is a Christian-based fair-trade business helping orphaned youth in Rwanda.

The main duties would include basic book-keeping, filing, ordering supplies, shipping orders, and unpacking boxes. Book keeping experience not essential, but a basic knowledge of computer skills (Word and Excel) is. Anyone interested should get in touch with Chris Page (e-mail: *chris at cardsfromafrica dot co dot uk*), sending a CV / resume and a covering letter explaining why you would be interested in the post. For more information about Cards from Africa, visit [www.cardsfromafrica.co.uk](http://www.cardsfromafrica.co.uk).



**November Castle View**

Production has been delayed by a week, so any late items can still be sent to Anna (*mattandannawilliams at yahoo dot co dot uk*) or Cassie (*cassandra dot morris dot miet at gmail dot com*) in the next few days.

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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