



CASTLE STREET METHODIST CHURCH

"Where all are welcome – all the time"

www.castlestreet.org.uk

Sunday 12th August 2018

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 12th Aug 10.45 MORNING WORSHIP

Rev. Alison Walker: "Radical Grace"

Bible readings: Psalm 145: 1-8 (page 537)

Jonah 3: 10 - 4: 11 (page 789)

Matthew 20: 1-16 (page 21)

18.30 EVENING WORSHIP

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Bible readings: Ephesians 4: 25 - 5: 2 (page 184)

John 6: 35, 41-51 (page 94)

We pray... for those awaiting exam results

Sat 18th Aug 15.00-18.00 Summer Social in Comberton *(see overleaf)*

Sun 19th Aug 10.45 MORNING WORSHIP

Rev. Clifford Meharry

Note: There are no Wednesday activities this week (or next), and there is no evening service next Sunday.

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

Morning service in two weeks' time

As is our usual custom on the bank holiday weekend in late August, morning worship on Sunday 26th August will be a united Church at Castle service. It is hosted by us, and will include Holy Communion. The preacher will be Revd. Tom Ambrose.



Kitchen out of action

The long-awaited repairs to the kitchen floor are about to get underway, so the kitchen will not be available for the next two weeks – we hope to have it up and running in time for the united service on 26th August.

We are still having tea and coffee after services today and next Sunday, using the small kitchen area in the Epworth room (upstairs) as the source of water and the location for washing up – so any additional hands to move dirty and then washed crockery up and down stairs would be gratefully received.

However, it has been decided to cancel the coffee mornings planned for Wednesdays 15th and 22nd August. The “Forever Active” exercise class had already been cancelled then, as well as on the Wednesday after.



“I Wonder” summer special, Thursday 30th August, 10.30am to 3.30pm

Details of this event for children aged five and over can be found in the July / August *Castle View*. For more information and to download a registration form, visit www.castlestreet.org.uk/I-wonder/. Please spread the word, and direct people to the website or Alison. But most important of all – pray, pray and pray! Pray:

- that we will have at least twelve bookings;
- that the children will arrive having slept well, happy and expectant;
- that we will be able to welcome all the children, quickly learn their names, and understand their needs;
- that the day will be happy and peaceful;
- that we will have opportunities to sensitively share the good news of Jesus, and enable the children to make their own responses (this autonomy is key to the style of story-telling) and to warmly respect their contributions.

Summer social – next Saturday (18th August) from 3pm to 6pm

There will be tea, cake and ice cream at the home of Pam and Don Fisher (address on the printed notice sheet).



One Hundred Days of Peace and Hope

The Methodist Church is supporting a Remembrance 100 initiative to engage in one hundred days of prayer, peace and reconciliation leading up to Remembrance Sunday and Armistice Day in November. The initiative, planned by Churches Together in England, began last weekend. The inspiration comes from a special service held in London on 4th August 1918 – the fourth anniversary of the beginning of World War 1 – which was attended by King George V and Queen Mary. One hundred days later the first world war ended.

A booklet containing prayers and suggestions for peace-making activities for each of the one hundred days has been produced. Methodist contributors include the President of Conference, the President Designate, the Minister at Notting Hill Methodist Church (located adjacent to Grenfell Tower), and an Army Chaplain. We have a few copies; please ask a steward if you would like one. However, it is also available on-line at www.rembrance100.co.uk/100-days (you download one week at a time).



Rotas for the next quarter

Chris has begun to put together the various rotas for Sunday morning services in September, October and November. If you have previously been on the rota, he may have already contacted you, but if he hasn't or you feel able to volunteer to help, then please have a word with him in the next week or two. The rotas include people to organise tea and coffee after the service, the "welcome team" (door stewards), and readers.



Riverside Prayer Walk for Refugees and Migrants, Ely to Cambridge

This is on Saturday 8th September, starting at Ely Cathedral at 9.30am and finishing at Pembroke College at around 5pm. There will then be a service in the college chapel, and refreshments. You can leave or join at Upware and Waterbeach. For more information or to express an interest, visit tinyurl.com/ElyCamRefugee or e-mail jtdg2@cam.ac.uk.

St. Giles' Fair – Saturday 8th September

The annual Fair at St. Giles' Church takes place on Saturday 8th September, and once again Castle Street will be having a stall. This year, in memory of Chris Moule, it will be to raise funds for the Lewy Body Society (www.lewybody.org). Anne and Heather will be running a "preloved" stall, and donations of any bric-a-brac will be gratefully received – there are collection boxes in our church hall and at the back of the church. Anyone wishing to help before, during or after the fair will be most welcome – have a chat with Heather or Anne.



"Encounter" – training day for those working in Children's Ministry

This is taking place on Saturday 13th October at the Vine Inter-Church Primary School in Upper Cambourne. For more details and for a booking form, e-mail [julias at genr8 dot org](mailto:julias@genr8.org).



"Social mobility – a task for all of us"

Each year at Methodist Conference there is a lecture on an issue relating to justice and peace. The video (43 minutes) or transcript of this year's is available at www.jointpublicissues.org.uk/becklylecture2018/.



Coming soon...

A four-session Bible study on the book of Jonah, 8pm every Friday evening in September (7th, 14th, 21st, 28th) at Castle Street.



Items for the September Castle View...

...should be with Anna or Cassie by Wednesday (15th August) please.



Notice sheet on Sunday 26th August

It is possible there might not be a notice sheet on 26th August – so any urgent items should be sent for inclusion next week please.

Please contact **Brian Carter** if you have any items for inclusion on next Sunday's notice sheet, ideally by Wednesday evening.
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