



# CASTLE STREET METHODIST CHURCH

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

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## Sunday 23rd September 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 23rd Sep            10.45    MORNING WORSHIP WITH HOLY COMMUNION**  
**Rev. Alison Walker: Harvest Festival**

**18.30    EVENING WORSHIP**  
**Joyce Goodall**

*Bible reading: Mark 5: 1-20 (page 37)*

*We pray... for the precious gift of water*

Wed 26th Sep            10.00    "Time to Be" prayer and fellowship

10.30-12.00    Coffee morning

12.00-13.00    Strength and balance exercise class

Thu 27th Sep    10.00-12.00    "First Friends" baby and toddler group

Fri 28th Sep            19.45    Bible study (session 3)

Sat 29th Sep        11.30-13.30    Sausage Sizzle (*see overleaf*)

**Sun 30th Sep            10.45    MORNING WORSHIP    John Boocock**

12.00-14.00    Sausage Sizzle (*see overleaf*)

**18.30    EVENING WORSHIP    Rev. Colin Smith**

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

## **Welcome (back) initiatives – Sausage Sizzles next weekend**

The September *Castle View* contains a piece outlining some “Sausage Sizzles” that we’re organising to allow those who pass by our premises – including new and returning students – to meet us and find out more. They’re taking place next weekend, on Saturday and Sunday lunchtime (as shown in the calendar overleaf), which is when Cambridge University term starts, and then again on Sunday 7th October. Do come along and help to welcome potential newcomers (and, if you can, it would be helpful if you could let a steward know you’re coming).



## **Royston Fringe**

The September *Castle View* has details of the events being held at Royston Methodist Church next weekend as part of the annual Royston Fringe. The “Inquisitive Minds with Brushes” event is on Friday 28th September.



## **CCHP**

It’s that time of year when we start thinking again about the Cambridge Churches Homelessness Project ([www.cchp.org.uk](http://www.cchp.org.uk)), which we have successfully hosted on Wednesday nights in recent years. New volunteers are always needed, so if you’re interested in getting involved this year (it’s usually only once each month), please have a word with Alison or Ank, or contact the CCHP team directly (e-mail: [info at cchp dot org dot uk](mailto:info@cchp.org.uk)). We are always in need of people who are able to stay overnight, especially those who are familiar with our building. There are information sessions on the following dates, all starting at 7pm and including supper:

- Tuesday 6th November at Little St. Mary’s Church, Trumpington Street;
- Friday 9th November at Our Lady and the English Martyrs Church, Hills Road;
- Wednesday 14th November at St. Paul’s Church, Hills Road.

New volunteers need to attend one of these, as they also include basic training – please book your place (for catering purposes).

New team leaders are also needed every year; team leader training sessions will be held on Monday 19th and Thursday 22nd November (you only need to attend one) at Little St. Mary’s Church.

## **Methodist Women in Britain East Anglia Autumn District Day**

This is taking place at Sheringham Methodist Church on Thursday 11th October, starting at 11am. The speaker will be Revd. Anne Richardson, District Deaf in the Community Officer. There will be a bookstall, MWiB stall, etc., and it is proposed to have a Bring and Buy stall to raise funds for the President's Project – items in yellow and black and / or featuring bees are especially welcomed (contact Lynn Taylor for more information). Tea and coffee will be available from 10am, at lunchtime and after the meeting, but taking a packed lunch is suggested.



## **Appeal for childcare help**

The Cambridge Refugee Resettlement Campaign (CRRC) is running English classes at the C3 church in Brookes Road for some of the Syrian refugees who find it difficult to get over to Cambridge Regional College, mainly because they have young children to look after. CRRC urgently needs help with looking after the children (pre-school age) of the refugees attending, and is appealing for volunteers. The parents of the children will be in the other half of the divided room and therefore immediately on hand should they be needed.

The English classes are running on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday mornings, from 10am until noon, and started last week. There will be a break for half term during the week 22nd October (Cambridgeshire schools half term week). If anyone is able to help at all, whether regularly or just occasionally, or would like to know more, please contact Rachel Hall (e-mail: rachelhall173 at gmail dot com). Those helping will need to sign up as a CRRC volunteer, and will also need to have a DBS check.



## **Plastic bottle tops wanted**

Plastic recycling is in the news at the moment, but did you know that the plastic in milk bottle tops is more valuable than other plastics? Heather is collecting them to raise money for Arthur Rank Hospices and Marie Curie Nurses. The bottle tops concerned are all labelled inside with a "2" in the recycling triangle – they are found on fruit juice bottles and many fizzy drinks, as well as milk bottles. At present there is a small box for them in the kitchen, but a larger box may appear somewhere more visible soon...

## **GenR8 Showcase evening, Tuesday 2nd October, 7.30pm**

Details of this event, at Histon Baptist Church, appeared on the notice sheet two weeks ago (available to download from the church website, or ask a steward to make you a copy). GenR8 reaches over forty thousand children with a Christian message each term.



## **Remembrance Sunday 2018 – see article in the September *Castle View***

Denise needs the following resources for her planned display (there's a box for them in the church hall):

- Lots of knitted, crocheted, cardboard or old "poppy appeal" poppies.
- Lots of plastic bottles of all sizes (must be round) to make poppies.
- Photos of Castle Street folk's relatives who served in the First World War or who worked on the land or in factories, etc., or who were conscientious objectors. (It's best to hand these to Denise in person.)



## **Job adverts for local churches**

- Director of Communications at St. Andrew's Church, Cherry Hinton – six hours per week developing a comms strategy almost from scratch. Visit <https://standrewscherryhinton.churchdesk.com/work-for-us> for details and an application form. Closing date is 30th September.
- Facilities Co-ordinator at Holy Trinity Church – details can be found at [www.htcambridge.org.uk/facilities-coordinator](http://www.htcambridge.org.uk/facilities-coordinator).



## **On-line courses at Wesley House this autumn**

Visit [www.wesley.cam.ac.uk/admissions/onlinelearning/](http://www.wesley.cam.ac.uk/admissions/onlinelearning/) for more information and to book any of the on-line courses listed on last week's notice sheet (one of which has now started). Each costs £175.



## **"Mind the Gap" – Michaelhouse Centre, 1st-6th and 8th-13th October**

A free art exhibition to support mental health in the world's poorest communities, organised by CBM and BasicNeeds. Open from 8am to 5pm.

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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