



CASTLE STREET METHODIST CHURCH

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Sunday 10th March 2019

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 usually served in the hall after Sunday services – do stay for a chat over a cuppa and a biscuit.

Sun 10th Mar

09.30 Fairtrade Breakfast

10.45 ALL-AGE MORNING WORSHIP

Rev Alison Walker

18.30 EVENING WORSHIP WITH HOLY COMMUNION

Rev Alison Walker

Prayer topic: for our Lenten journey

Tue 12th Mar 19.00 for 20.00 “Table Talk”

Wed 13th Mar 10.00 “Time to Be” prayer and fellowship

10.30-12.00 Coffee morning

12.00-13.00 Strength and balance exercise class

Thu 14th Mar 10.00-12.00 “First Friends” baby and toddler group

Fri 15th Mar 19.45 for 20.00 Lent course: “Caring for Creation” *(see overleaf)*

Sun 17th Mar 10.45 MORNING WORSHIP

Rev Hankyu Kim

19.00 IONA SERVICE at St Luke’s

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Welcome to Castle Street Methodist Church!

If you are worshipping with us for the first time, please make yourself known to one of the stewards and pick up a welcome leaflet. All people of this church are part of the ministry, led by the Revd Alison Walker who may be contacted electronically via the church website or by telephone on (01223) 872 862.

Our church magazine **Castle View** contains more details of events taking place each month – please pick up a copy of the latest issue.

There is a **Prayer Request** book at the back of the church, which is used during services and at prayer meetings – but remember it is on display for anyone in the church to read, so please respect the privacy of those concerned and avoid including names and other personal details unless specifically requested.

“Table Talk”

A reminder that “Table Talk” will meet for the last time for this term on Tuesday evening. It will resume again next term, back on Wednesday evenings (starting on 24th April), when we shall begin by concluding the current study.

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### Lent course: “Caring for Creation” – Friday evenings, 7.45pm for 8pm

This started last Friday, and details can be found in the March *Castle View*. This week’s session, the second of five, will consider Global Warming and Climate Change, including some facts and figures, and why faith in a Creator God should give us hope.

The same course is also running at Toft Methodist Church (on Wednesday mornings at 10am for 10.15am, starting this coming week – 13th March) and at Haslingfield Methodist Church (on Sunday evenings at 6pm, with the remaining four sessions on 10th, 24th and 31st March and 7th April – so not next Sunday, when there is a “Faith to Live By” service). So if you miss one at Castle Street, you’d be welcome to go along to Toft or Haslingfield

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“A Faith to Live By” – next Sunday (17th Mar) at Haslingfield Methodist Church

The next in this series of services will be with Pastor Hankyu Kim (of the Keolim Church which meets on Sunday afternoons at Castle Street), who will talk about the meeting of Korean Spirituality and Christianity, Bible, prayer, nationalism and evangelism. As usual, there will be a short time of worship, a presentation, refreshments and discussion. It starts at 6pm. If anyone would like transport to and from Haslingfield for this event, please speak to a steward.

Queen Salote College Reunion and Celebration – Saturday (16th Mar)

Castle Street is pleased to be hosting a reunion and celebration for Queen Salote College in Tonga, the event being organised by Valu Bullen. It's taking place next Saturday (16th March), and all at Castle Street are invited to come along to any or all of it.

It begins at midday with a service in the church, and this is followed by a meal in the church hall, starting at 2pm. Between the service and the meal there will be entertainment, which will include traditional Tongan dancing – with lots of happy, loud shouting (Valu says to bring your ear muffs!) The whole event will wrap up between 7pm and 8pm. The purpose of the service and fundraising on the day is to help students in Tonga whose parents cannot afford their school fees, showing them a positive work of love and giving hope for a better and happy future for them.

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### **“Science Meets Faith” at Wesley Church – Monday (11th Mar)**

What does it mean to be Human? Some Reflections on Advances in Artificial Intelligence and Robotics with Prof John Wyatt, Professor Emeritus of Neonatal Paediatrics University College London and Faraday Institute, University of Cambridge. It starts at 7.45pm, with refreshments from 7.15pm. For more details, visit [www.wesleycam.org.uk/sciencemeetsfaith.htm](http://www.wesleycam.org.uk/sciencemeetsfaith.htm).

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“Mr Darwin’s Tree” – Thursday (14th Mar), 5.30pm, Old Divinity School

As part of the Cambridge Science Festival, the Faraday Institute for Science and Religion is hosting a performance of this one-man play about the relationship between the agnostic Charles Darwin and his Christian wife, Emma. Written and directed by Murray Watts and performed by Andrew Harrison, it takes us on a fascinating journey through Darwin's life and some of his own exploration of questions of science, faith, love and human destiny. Tickets cost £10 (plus a booking fee) – visit www.sciencefestival.cam.ac.uk or phone (01223) 766 766.

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### **“Honesty Over Silence” – Friday (15th March)**

This event is taking place at New Street Church in St Neots, and starts at 7.30pm. It's an evening of live music and talks, seeking to open up conversations around difficult topics such as trusting in God when life is painful, and dealing with anxiety and depression. Featured will be speaker and author Patrick Regan OBE, and singer / songwriter Diane Regan. It's being organised by Kintsugi Hope, CWR and local churches in St Neots. For more details, visit [www.nsministry.co.uk](http://www.nsministry.co.uk) or [www.kintsugihope.com](http://www.kintsugihope.com).

**Christian Aid “On Tour” – Friday (15th Mar), 10am to 1pm at St Bene’t’s Church**  
Members of the Norwich Office Team for Christian Aid will be at this lively mix of talk and discussion. The team will be promoting this year’s appeal, based on Sierra Leone and its relationship with legacy giving, as well as promoting campaigning, particularly in respect of climate change. There’s more in the March *Castle View*.

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Growing your Leaders Day – Saturday 23rd March

Details of this fun and interactive day to help young people begin a journey into leadership can be found in the March *Castle View*. It’s aimed at young people in years 6, 7 and 8 at school.

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**Methodist Women in Britain East Anglia District Day: “The Sound of Silence”**

This is taking place on Thursday 28th March at Dereham Methodist Church, starting at 11am (coffee from 10am) and finishing at 3.30pm. It will be led by Mrs Judith Lampard.

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“Freedom”: a Women’s Day for the East of England – Saturday 27th April

This event, with Nadine Parkinson and Kathy English, is taking place at All Saints’ Church, Milton. Enjoy an opportunity to worship and pray, to be challenged, inspired and to experience God’s power as we explore the paradox of freedom. For full details and on-line booking, visit www.allsaintsmilton.org.uk.

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**“Y-Pray?” – 3rd to 5th May at The Hayes Conference Centre**

This is a conference for women who are interested in exploring prayer creatively, and is especially aimed at those who have not previously participated in such conferences or the (Women’s) World Day of Prayer. It runs from Friday evening (3rd May) to after lunch on Sunday (5th May), and The Hayes Conference Centre is at Swanwick in Derbyshire. The programme includes worship, bible study and creative prayer, plus more light-hearted activities and the chance to find out what WDP as all about. The cost is £125 per person, which includes en suite accommodation and all meals. For more information and to book, visit [www.wwdp.org.uk/y-pray-2019-3/](http://www.wwdp.org.uk/y-pray-2019-3/). Methodist Women in Britain is providing bursaries: visit [mwib.org.uk/index.php/prayer-and-worship/](http://mwib.org.uk/index.php/prayer-and-worship/) and follow the link.