



# CASTLE STREET METHODIST CHURCH

*Where all are welcome – all the time*

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## Sunday 5th May 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.*

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**Sun 5th May**

**10.45 MORNING WORSHIP**

**Prof Judith Lieu**

*Bible readings: John 21: 1-19 (p. 111); Acts 9: 1-20 (p. 121)*

**18.30 EVENING WORSHIP**

**Dr Derek Nicholls**

*Bible readings: Isaiah 38: 1-20 (p. 610); John 11: 27-44 (p. 100)*

*Prayer topic: for mental health workers*

**Wed 8th May**

10.00 “Time to Be” prayer and fellowship

10.30-12.00 Coffee morning

12.00-13.00 Strength and balance exercise class

19.00 for 20.00 “Table Talk”

**Thu 9th May**

10.00-12.00 “First Friends” baby and toddler group

**Fri 10th May**

19.30 Storey’s Way House Group

**Sun 12th May**

**10.45 ALL-AGE MORNING WORSHIP**

**Rev Alison Walker**

12.00 General Church Meeting  
followed by lunch

**18.30 EVENING WORSHIP**

**Circuit Easter Offering Dedication service**

The **Methodist** Church



We are a  
**FAIRTRADE**

## **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.

### **General Church Meeting – next Sunday**

The General Church Meeting is our AGM, and all those who come along to Castle Street are invited (and encouraged) to attend. It will take place after the morning service next Sunday (12th May – not April as erroneously stated on last week's notice sheet!), and will be followed by a simple lunch of filled jacket potatoes. The meeting will take place in the church, and we shall serve tea and coffee there rather than in the hall. We also hope to take a more up-to-date photo of the congregation next week than the one we currently use.

There is an article in the May *Castle View* about the General Church Meeting, including details of the appointments made by that meeting, and a couple of topics for discussion. If you are planning to stay for lunch, it would be helpful if you could add your name to the list on the notice board.

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### **Circuit Service next Sunday evening at 6.30pm (at Castle Street)**

Next Sunday evening is the Easter Offering Dedication service, and will be based on the theme of this year's appeal ("Longer Tables, Lower Fences") – and there's more about the appeal in the May *Castle View*. We hope you can come along. The service will be followed by refreshments, and if you're able to help with their provision (cakes and biscuits mostly) or serving, please add your name to the list on the notice board.

It is planned to have a small singing group to sing a specially-requested (but simple) single-verse introit to start the service, but we need singers! The singers will meet briefly at 6pm to rehearse. If you'd like to know more (and to offer your support), please speak to Brian.

### **“Table Talk” – Wednesday evenings**

“Table Talk”, our study group for students and young adults, restarted last week, and will meet on most Wednesday evenings during University term. We meet at 7pm for a simple meal (not compulsory) and then the prayer, discussion and Bible study begins at around or just after 8pm.

This term we shall be looking at a study based on the film *I, Daniel Blake* (we shall probably use the short course “Talking Jesus” in the autumn). A Doodle poll has been set up for people to indicate if they plan to come for food – speak to Sarah B if you’d like to be sent the link to this.

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### **Cambridge Chinese Christian Church opening service – this afternoon**

A reminder that this takes place at 2pm this afternoon, followed by a tea at 4.30pm. It is, of course, the reopening and dedication of the former Castle End Mission building. There was more information on last week’s notice sheet.

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### **Quilts and Flower Festival at Histon Methodist Church – this weekend**

This continues today (2pm to 5pm) and tomorrow (10am to 4pm). Donations are in aid of Histon Methodist Church and Macmillan Cancer Support. There will be quilts for sale and refreshments available. For more information, contact Mary Easy (e-mail: *mary dot easy at bigease dot net*).

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### **Eye Witness: stories from Israel and the West Bank – Thursday (9th May)**

The Ecumenical Accompaniment Programme in Palestine and Israel (EAPPI) is organising this event, when recently-returned Ecumenical Accompanier Emma Pritchard will talk about the situation in Israel and the West Bank. It’s at Great St Mary’s Church, and starts at 5.30pm. For more information, see the advert in the *May Castle View*.

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### **An Evening of Songs and Sonnets with Malcolm Guite – for Christian Aid**

Join poet, priest and author, Malcolm Guite for an evening of songs and sonnets at Ely Cathedral on Friday evening (10th May), starting at 7.30pm. Malcom performs at cathedrals, festivals and universities across the world. He is Chaplain of Girton College and writes Poet’s Corner in the *Church Times*. Tickets cost £7.50 (concessions £6.50), and all profits will go to Christian Aid; they can be booked by telephoning (01353) 660 349, or visit [www.elycathedral.org](http://www.elycathedral.org).

