



CASTLE STREET METHODIST CHURCH

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Sunday 14th July 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 14th Jul	10.45 ALL-AGE MORNING WORSHIP Rev Alison Walker, Kimberley Rayson and our young people
	18.30 EVENING WORSHIP WITH HOLY COMMUNION Rev Alison Walker
	<i>Bible reading: Colossians 1: 1-14 (page 189)</i>
	<i>Prayer topic: for the work of Action for Children</i>
Wed 17th Jul	10.00 "Time to Be" prayer and fellowship
	10.30-12.00 Coffee morning
	12.00-13.00 Strength and balance exercise class
Thu 18th Jul	18.00 Open Bible Discussion Group <i>(see overleaf and Castle View)</i>
Sat 20th Jul	from 14.30 Summer Social at the home of the Rayson family <i>(see overleaf)</i>
Sun 21st Jul	10.45 MORNING WORSHIP Rev Barbara Garwood
	19.00 IONA SERVICE at St Luke's

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.

Action for Children

Today is designated Action for Children Sunday in the Methodist Church, and this year we celebrate the 150th anniversary of this charity which has strong Methodist connections. Originally known as the National Children's Home (NCH), Action for Children is committed to helping vulnerable children and young people, and their families, throughout the UK. The charity's 7,000 staff and volunteers operate over 522 services in the UK, improving the lives of 301,000 children, teenagers, parents and carers every year.

A number of people at Castle Street have "lantern" collection boxes at home; if you are one of those people and have not yet brought it in for emptying, please hand it to Joyce, Mike or a steward as soon as possible. And if there is anyone who doesn't have a collection box but would like one, then please have a word with Joyce. Also, if anyone would like to make a donation to the splendid work of AfC then please pass it to a steward or put it in the offertory plate (labelled accordingly); gift aid envelopes can be made available. Thank you.

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### **Summer Social next Saturday afternoon**

It's Tea and Cake in the Garden at the home of the Rayson family (address on printed notices) next Saturday afternoon (20th July) from 2.30pm. Donations are in aid of church mission projects at home and overseas. All are welcome.

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Open Bible Discussion Group – Thursday evening

The second of this new fortnightly group, organised by people from local churches, takes place this Thursday (18th July), starting at 6pm and finishing at 7.15pm. For more information, see the July / August *Castle View*.

Methodist Prayer Handbook for 2019-20

The *Methodist Prayer Handbook* for 2019-20 will be published in August. Its theme this year is “Responding to the Gospel”. The Prayer Handbook offers simple prayers of intercession and thanksgiving as well as poetic reflections and aids to devotion. Arranged as a 31-day cycle, with a focus each day on God’s work in different parts of the world and the UK, it also includes a daily lectionary with a suggested hymn to accompany and guide you through the year.

The price of each handbook is £3.50. Please contact Sarah Creeke (e-mail: sarah dot creeke at btopenworld dot com) if you would like her to order a copy for you, stating whether you would like it in standard print format (as an A5 booklet) or large print (A4 booklet).

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### **Eileen Stamper Memorial Lecture at Westminster College, Sunday 4th August**

Professor Morna Hooker will be giving the inaugural Eileen Stamper Memorial Lecture at the Vacation Term for Biblical Studies. She will explore the biblical theme “There’s glory for you!” It’s on Sunday 4th August, starting at 5.45pm and lasting an hour. The lecture is open to the public.

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Coffee Morning in aid of the circuit mission project, Saturday 10th August

By kind invitation of Revd Colin Smith, there is to be a coffee morning at the superintendent minister’s manse (address on printed notices) to help raise funds for the Nyambene Synod Youth Centre in Kenya. Admission is free, but there will be the opportunity to buy gifts from the Kenya Craft stall and make a donation to the project. It’s running from 10.30am until 12.30pm and all are welcome.

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### **Creating Safer Space Foundation Training courses**

Anyone who is required to attend a safeguarding foundation training course is advised that the next two will be held at Chesterton Methodist Church on the afternoon of Monday 22nd July, starting at 2pm, and the evening of Tuesday 10th September, starting at 6.30pm; both will last about two and a half hours. Please book your place with Miriam in the circuit office (tel.: (01223) 352 115 or e-mail: office at wesleycam dot org dot uk) so that materials can be printed.

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Services on Sunday 18th August

There is a slight change from what has been published in the preaching plan and in *Castle View*: Lynn Taylor will now lead the *morning* service (10.45am), and her husband Jim will lead in the evening (6.30pm). (There are no Iona services during August.)

Climate Change: what I should know and how can I respond?

An evening of information and discussion facilitated by scientists from the British Antarctic Survey, at St Philip's Church Centre on Wednesday 17th July at 8pm.

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### **Cambridge Chinese Christian Church children's summer holiday club**

This is taking place at Castle End Mission (home of the Cambridge Chinese Christian Church) on Tuesday 27th, Wednesday 28th and Thursday 29th August, on the theme of "The Adventure Cruise". It is open to children aged between 5 and 10 years old (those in years 1 to 6 at school in September 2019), and activities will include Bible stories, games, crafts, singing, a talent show, and more. The cost is £10 per day (10am to 3pm), including refreshments and lunch, but you don't have to attend all three days. For more details and a booking form, contact Yvonne Yeung (e-mail: childrenministry at cccc dot org dot uk).

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Cambridge and District Youth for Christ youth worker

Details of this part-time post appeared on last Sunday's notice sheet, available to download from the church website. Closing date for applications is 21st July.

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### **Parish Administrator at St John's Church, Waterbeach**

Details of this part-time post (12 hours per week at £10 per hour, including 5 weeks paid holiday) can be obtained from Revd Paul Butler (e-mail: revpbutler at gmail dot com), or ask Brian to send you the original e-mail.

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Church at Castle United Service on Sunday 25th August

The Sunday of the August bank holiday weekend is one of three occasions when Castle Street, St Giles', St Luke's and St Augustine's Churches join together for an ecumenical act of morning worship. On this occasion the service will be held at St Augustine's, Richmond Road, but please note that their usual start time is 9.30am (not 10.45am as indicated in *Castle View*).

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### **Notice sheet over the summer**

As usual, we plan to produce the weekly notice sheet on most Sundays, but there will not be one on Sunday 4th August – that for Sunday 28th July will therefore be a double issue, and with a very early deadline of 9pm the preceding Monday. Also, the deadline for Sunday 11th August will be Thursday evening.

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Items for next Sunday's notice sheet should be sent to **Brian Carter**, by Friday evening.

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