



# CASTLE STREET METHODIST CHURCH

*Where all are welcome – all the time*

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## Sunday 22nd September 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 22nd Sep**

**10.45 MORNING WORSHIP**

**Prof Judith Lieu**

*Bible readings: Jeremiah 8: 19 - 9: 3 (page 649)*

*Luke 16: 1-13 (page 75)*

**18.30 EVENING WORSHIP**

**John Boocock**

*Bible readings: Ezra 1: 1-11 (page 399); John 7: 37-52 (page 96)*

*Prayer topic: for the fellowship of reconciliation*

**Wed 25th 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 26th Sep**

10.00-12.00 "First Friends" baby and toddler group

18.00 Open Bible Discussion Group

**Sun 29th Sep**

10.00 Simple Prayer Time

**10.45 MORNING WORSHIP WITH HOLY COMMUNION**

**Rev Alison Walker**

**18.30 UNITED EVENING WORSHIP**

*at Wesley Methodist Church*

**Rev Colin Smith**

The **Methodist** Church 



We are a  
**FAIRTRADE**  
church

## **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.

### **CCHP 2019-20 – training dates**

A reminder that all CCHP volunteers this year – including those who have helped previously – will need to attend one of the training sessions. These are now confirmed as taking place as follows:

- Wed 30th Oct at Castle Street Methodist Church, starting at 7.30pm
- Fri 1st Nov in the Community Centre at Our Lady and English Martyrs Roman Catholic Church, starting at 8pm
- Mon 4th Nov at Christ Church, starting at 7.30pm
- Tue 12th Nov at St Barnabas' Church, starting at 7.30pm
- Thu 14th Nov at Great St Mary's Church, starting at 7.30pm

All attendees will be registered on the door, with doors opening half an hour before the start time. Tea and coffee (with biscuits) will be served. Rota co-ordinators and team leaders will attend a different training session (only).

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### **CCHP 2019-20 – Safety Officer needed**

CCHP is looking for a Safety Officer (volunteer) to carry out annual premises checks and assessments with the host venues, all of which are in central Cambridge. Whilst an understanding of the CCHP winter night shelter would be helpful, experience of issues involving the security and safety of buildings used by the public and an ability to conduct a fire safety audit is essential.

There are twelve venues to assess in total between November and January. This is anticipated to take about one hour per visit, and perhaps between one and two hours following-up and writing up. Job share would also be considered. Anyone interested should contact info at [cchp dot org dot uk](mailto:cchp_dot_org_dot_uk) for more details.

## Two interesting Jubilee Centre talks

Cambridge is vying with London to be the AI capital of Britain... but at the same time it has the highest income inequality in the country. Come and consider these two issues from a Christian perspective. Both events are organised in collaboration with Faith in Business and KLICE (the Kirby Laing Institute for Christian Ethics).

- Just Pay: what does the Bible have to say about the Gig economy?

Wednesday 2nd October, 6.30pm to 8pm at Westminster College (free parking available).

Speakers: Calum Samuelson and Tim Young, with Sue Halliday (Acting Director, KLICE) and Richard Higginson (Chair, Faith in Business).

This talk introduces the biblical ideas of justice, dignity and reward as a challenge to contemporary remuneration practices (as outlined in Jubilee Centre's recently published report, *Just Pay: a Biblical perspective on the ethics of remuneration* (see [www.jubilee-centre.org/just-pay/](http://www.jubilee-centre.org/just-pay/)). In the light of rising levels of participation in the Gig economy, this talk will outline how these Biblical themes may be invaluable to both employers and employees moving forward in the near future.

- Artificially Intelligent?

Thursday 3rd October, 12.30pm to 1.30pm in the Jubilee Lounge at the Jubilee Centre (second floor of 59 St Andrew's Street).

Speakers: Calum Samuelson and Charlee New.

How might Christians develop a theology of surprise to help them avoid undue fear, naive optimism, and resigned apathy with regard to Artificial Intelligence? A lunchtime discussion with Calum Samuelson (author of *Artificially Intelligent: grappling with the myths, present realities and future trajectories of Ai* (see [www.jubilee-centre.org/artificially-intelligent-grappling-with-the-myths-present-realities-and-future-trajectories-of-ai](http://www.jubilee-centre.org/artificially-intelligent-grappling-with-the-myths-present-realities-and-future-trajectories-of-ai)) and the Jubilee Centre's Charlee New.

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## **“So what’s your faith story?” – Saturday 9th November in Haverhill**

A reminder of this training event, designed to help us grow in confidence in sharing our story with others, organised by the Methodist Church's "Learning Network". It's at Haverhill Methodist Church on Saturday 9th November from 10.30am to 3pm, and is led by the Evangelism and Growth team in conjunction with the Cliff College evangelists. Information about it appeared on the weekly notice sheets earlier this month (available to download from the church website). Contact Alison if you are interested in going – it's free, but booking is needed (and car-sharing would be practical).

## **Royston Fringe: “Our Planet” – events at Royston Methodist Church**

This annual event started yesterday and continues this week:

- Thu 26th Sep at 7.30pm: “The Life and Times of Simon Gogerly”, grammy award-winning music mixer and producer, senior lecturer in music technology at Anglia Ruskin University (tickets £5).
- Sat 28th Sep at 2.30pm: “Kaleidoscope of Life” with Judy Wynn, flower guild chairman of Ely Cathedral (tickets £5).
- Sun 29th Sep at 2.30pm: “Friendly Folk” with Jancis Harvey, Michael King and David Hayzen (tickets £5).
- Sat 28th Sep from 10am to 5pm and Sun 29th Sep from 11am to 5pm: Art Exhibition and Art Competition (more details, including how to enter the competition, can be found at [www.royston-methodist.org.uk/Fringe.htm](http://www.royston-methodist.org.uk/Fringe.htm)).

Tickets for all of the above can be obtained from Sue (e-mail: [walter962 at btinternet dot com](mailto:walter962@btinternet.com)), or on-line at [www.ticketsource.com.rmc1](http://www.ticketsource.com.rmc1). See also [www.royston-methodist.org.uk/Fringe.htm](http://www.royston-methodist.org.uk/Fringe.htm).

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## **Coming soon – “Breathing Space”**

This is an exciting new monthly meeting to help us deepen our prayer lives and come closer to God in quiet reflection and prayer. “Breathing Space” will meet on the first Wednesday of the month, starting at 5.30pm and aiming to finish at 6.30pm. It will rotate around the Church at Castle churches. The first is on Wednesday 2nd October at St Augustine’s; the next are on 6th November at St Giles’ and 4th December at St Luke’s.

After greetings and refreshment there will be some opening prayers, usually a time of Bible reading and / or poetry, perhaps followed by some music. This will lead into a short period of silence before the main time of prayer. The atmosphere will be informal, and the prayers freely formatted. As the Psalms show us, prayers may take the form of complaints and laments as well as praises, thanks and petitions.

There will be a piece in the October *Castle View* (available in print during the first few days of October), but if you’d like to know more, contact Margaret Cooper (e-mail: [mc\\_dot golly24 at talktalk dot net](mailto:mc_dot_golly24@talktalk.net)) or Mike Good (e-mail: [mikegood at ntlworld dot com](mailto:mikegood@ntlworld.com)).

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Items for next Sunday’s notice sheet should be sent to **Brian Carter** by 6pm on Wednesday.

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