



# CASTLE STREET METHODIST CHURCH

*Where all are welcome – all the time*

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## Sunday 6th October 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 6th Oct**

**10.45 MORNING WORSHIP**

**Elsie Salmon**

*Bible readings: Luke 17: 5-10 (page 76)*

*2 Timothy 1: 1-14 (page 201)*

**18.30 EVENING WORSHIP WITH HOLY COMMUNION**

**Rev Alison walker**

*Prayer topic: for the homeless*

**Wed 9th Oct**

10.00 "Time to Be" prayer and fellowship

10.30-12.00 Coffee morning

12.00-13.00 Strength and balance exercise class

18.45 for 19.30 "Table Talk" *(see overleaf)*

**Thu 10th Oct**

10.00-12.00 "First Friends" baby and toddler group

18.00 Open Bible Discussion Group

**Sun 13th Oct**

**10.45 ALL-AGE MORNING WORSHIP**

**Joyce Goodall and Rev Alison Walker**

**18.30 EVENING WORSHIP**

**Mary Ratcliffe**

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.

### “Table Talk” – restarts this week (Wednesday 9th October)

“Table Talk” has been our study group for students and young people, but we’re opening it up to anyone who wants to come along. It will continue to meet on Wednesday evenings (starting this week), but with slightly revised timings to allow more time for “talk” without finishing too late! So, those who would like to come along for a simple cooked meal (not compulsory) are asked to arrive at about 6.45pm if possible, and then tea and coffee will be served at 7.30pm as the “talk” part gets underway. If you’re coming for the meal, please sign up on the Doodle poll at <https://tinyurl.com/Table-Talk-Oct19>, or contact Alison.

This term we shall be following a five-week course entitled “Time to Talk of God”, and the sessions are (provisionally) as follows:

- 9th Oct: welcome back and planning
- 16th Oct: “A Present God”
- 23rd Oct: “A Listening God”
- 30th Oct: “A Caring God”
- 6th Nov: “A Speaking God”
- 13th Nov: “Jesus as our Teacher and Model”

Distributed last week (to everyone) were copies of a book *Talking of God Together* – if you didn’t get one, please pick up a copy (if they have run out, speak to Denise who will order some more). If you’re coming to Table Talk, then it would be useful if you could do some preparation for the first session (16th October) using this book by reading through pages 2-20 and thinking about some of the “Questions” and “Activities” (pages 14, 16, 18, 19 and 20): Alison has e-mailed more detail about this to many people, but please ask if you want to know but did not receive it.

### **Kenya Youth Project Autumn Fayre – Saturday 12th October at Wesley Church**

Come and purchase pictures, stationery, handcrafts, nearly new, books, jigsaws, toys and Kenyan gifts, and support our circuit project in Kenya. It will be open from 10am until 3pm, admission is free, and refreshments will be available. This is in aid of the charity being supported by the Cambridge Circuit this year.

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### **CCHP 2019-20 – appeal for help with refreshments on training evening**

The October *Castle View* contains an article about this year's Cambridge Churches Homelessness Project, including the dates of training sessions for all volunteers (which have also been listed here). Castle Street is hosting the first one, on Wednesday 30th October, with doors opening at 7pm. There may be over one hundred people coming along, and we need some volunteers to serve refreshments to them as they arrive (tea, coffee, biscuits) and then clear up afterwards. If anyone can help, please speak to Alison.

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### **Church Anniversary – Sunday 20th October**

The preacher for our Church Anniversary in two week's time will be Revd Jonathan Dean, who was our part-time second minister nearly twenty years ago! We're going to have a bring-and-share lunch that day – please sign up to say if you are coming and to offer contributions of food.

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### **Storey's Way Housegroup – restarting later this month**

The Storey's Way Housegroup resumes on Friday 25th October at 7.30pm, the first of four sessions. John Boocock will open this session by sharing experiences of how people have helped him on his faith journey and others are invited to share their own experiences. We are looking at the impact of others who accompany us and inspire us on our faith journeys.

On 8th November, Nick Dale, who has special needs, and his mother, Joyce, will give an input on disability, and Eileen Harrison, who in earlier years worked with Nick, will contribute. In this session we will be looking at the theology of "wholeness" and the part faith plays in this. Nick will be sharing his faith journey.

In the third session on 22nd November, the first week of Advent, the group will share their rich and diverse wartime experiences and the part faith played. We all live with the legacy of war and wars continue. We will look at how faith and war interconnect today.

Our Christmas Celebration will take place on 13th December (three weeks later), with readings and carols round the tree and a sharing of festive food.

### **Cambridge Bible Society Action Group Autumn Supper – Friday 18th October**

This is taking place at the Queen Edith Chapel, Wulfstan Way, and starts at 6.45pm. The guest speaker is Graham Daniels, Director of Christians in Sport, whose theme is “Unchanging Word in the Changing Room”. Tickets cost £7, and can be obtained from Brian West (e-mail: brian dot west1941 at gmail dot com), or speak to Chris Heath (tel.: (01223) 367 862).

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### **“Science Meets Faith” at Wesley Church, Monday 14th October**

The first of this year’s “Science Meets Faith” lectures will be given by Revd Hannah Hupfield, previously interim chaplain of St Catharine’s College. Her title is “And the memory remains: changing perceptions of science and religion over the centuries”. Light refreshments will be served from 7.15pm, with the talk beginning at 7.45pm. There will be a retiring collection.

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### **“A Faith to Live By” at Haslingfield Methodist Church, Sunday 20th October**

The speaker at the first of this year’s “Faith to Live By” services will be Revd Dr Brian Beck, who will ask “What’s the use of John Wesley’s sermons? Let’s be honest – do they have any real value in this modern age?” Brian is a former President of the Methodist Conference and a former Principal of Wesley House, and regularly leads worship at Castle Street. There will be a short time of worship, Brian’s presentation, refreshments and discussion. It starts at 6pm.

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### **Friends of Cam Sight fundraising lecture – Tuesday 29th October**

Prof Sir Colin Humphreys, CBE, FEng, FRS will give a talk on “Graphene: the new wonder material – but will it change the world?” It’s being held at the Department of Material Science and Metallurgy, Charles Babbage Road, CB3 0FS, and starts at 7.30pm. Prof Humphreys is Director of Research at the Department of Materials Science and Metallurgy.

Tickets can be booked via the Cam Sight website ([www.camsight.org.uk](http://www.camsight.org.uk) – a direct link is <https://tinyurl.com/CamSight-GrapheneTalk>), where there is also more information. A suggested donation is £15, which includes wine and canapés.

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### **News from the recent Circuit Meeting – ministerial appointments**

Revd Colin Smith is to be invited to serve the circuit for a further four years from September 2020, and Revd Simon Oliver for one more year.

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

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