

# CASTLE STREET METHODIST CHURCH

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# Sunday 11th May 2014

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 served in the hall following most Sunday services – please do stay for a chat over a cuppa and a biscuit.

Sun 11th May

10.45 MORNING WORSHIP WITH HOLY COMMUNION

Rev. Dr. Janet Bunker and Marie Luchetta

Bible readings: Acts 2: 42-47 (page 114); John 10: 1-10 (page 99)

12.30 Lunch in support of Christian Aid (see overleaf)

18.30 ECUMENICAL CHRISTIAN AID SERVICE Rev. Alison Walker

Speaker: Loretta Minghella OBE

We pray... for the work of Christian Aid

Wed 14th May

10.00 "Time To Be" prayer and fellowship

10.30-12.00 Coffee morning

12.00-13.00 "Forever Active" exercise class

Thu 15th May 10.00-12.00 Castle Street Tots

Sun 18th May

10.45 MORNING WORSHIP

Judy Wynn

18.30 UNITED EVENING WORSHIP *at C.E.M.* Wendy Roe

Please take a copy of Castle View for fuller details of what's on each month.

#### Events at the start of Christian Aid Week - today!

Today is the start of Christian Aid Week, and tonight at 6.30pm, here at Castle Street, is the ecumenical launch service for all the churches in Cambridge. It will be led by Revd. Alison Walker, and the guest speaker is Loretta Minghella OBE, Chief Executive of Christian Aid.

As part of our own fundraising effort for Christian Aid, there's a lunch in the church hall today. If you didn't manage to sign the list, don't worry – it should be possible to squeeze in a few extra people, so please do stay!



# "A Faith to Live By" - Haslingfield Methodist Church

The next in this series takes place this evening (Sunday 11th May) at 6.30pm, when Derek Nicholls will talk on "Rural Roots: Strength or Stumbling Block".

Derek was brought up in the most southerly circuit in England – thirty-seven chapels, mostly in small villages and some in isolation; half of them have since disappeared. Drawing partly on his own early years, he will reflect on the changing nature of rural Methodism and its role. Rural dwellers do not now expect to find all their shopping and entertainment needs met in their local village: why should people not go into towns for worship? Is an expensive building the best form of local Christian witness? Why is it that some rural churches are dying while others are in vigorous health? What is there from the rural tradition of an earlier generation which is relevant to the modern church? Derek emigrated from Cornwall in his late teens and has lived subsequently in Glasgow and Cambridge, but has not severed his rural roots. His work as a lecturer in Land Economy has brought opportunities for travel (and worship) in many parts of Africa, Asia and North America.



# Martin and Ruth's wedding - Saturday 26th July

Martin and Ruth would like to thank those who have already promised gifts of skills and time in helping to make sure their wedding day is a special one. They're still looking for a few more volunteers to fill a number of other roles – if you can help in any way, then there is a sign-up sheet on the notice board with more details.

"Music for a May Evening" – organ and violin concert in Haslingfield Next Saturday (17th May) at 7.30pm in All Saints Church, Haslingfield,

violinist Hazel Brooks and organist Robin Walker (husband of Alison) will give a concert of "music for your relaxation and enjoyment". The programme will comprise beautiful music by Vivaldi, Handel, Schmelzer, Wesley, Gläser, Pärt and Rheinberger.

"Hazel Brooks is an admirable stylist, phrasing in a pleasing and natural way. This was truly music to ravish the ear." (*Petersfield Post*) "Walker's playing throughout is characterized by an elegant intensity and a fondness for pursuing clarity through the delicate balance of line and colour." (*International Record Review*)

Tickets cost £10, and are available from the Village Shop, or telephone (01223) 872 190 for enquiries. Wine will be available during the interval.

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# Coffee morning and bring-and-buy sale for Christian Aid

This fund-raising event for Christian Aid takes place next Saturday morning (17th May) between 10.30am and midday at 111 Windsor Road. Coffee and cake: £2.

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# "Science Meets Faith": Christianity and Medical Ethics

The next in this series at Wesley Methodist Church takes place tomorrow evening (Monday 12th May) at 7.15pm for 7.45pm, and will be given by Revd. Prof. Huw Jones, Acting Dean and Gonville and Caius College and Rural Dean of the Deanery of Cambridge South. He was formerly a consultant clinical oncologist at Addenbrooke's Hospital.

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# Items for the June Castle View...

...should be with its Editor, Colin Moule, next Sunday (18th May) please.

Please contact **Brian Carter** if you have any items for inclusion on next Sunday's notice sheet, ideally by Friday evening.

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