



# CASTLE STREET METHODIST CHURCH

*"Where all are welcome – all the time"*

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## Sunday 17th May 2015

*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 17th May            10.45    MORNING WORSHIP**

**Dr. Alec Corio**

*Bible readings: Acts 1: 15-17, 21-26 (page 112)*

*John 17: 6-19 (page 106)*

**19.00    IONA SERVICE    at St. Luke's**

*We pray...    for mental health workers*

Wed 20th May            10.00    "Time to Be" prayer and fellowship

10.30-12.00    Coffee morning

12.00-13.00    "Forever Active" exercise class

Thu 21st May    10.00-12.00    "First Friends" baby and toddler group

19.00 for 20.15    "Thursday Table Talk"

**Sun 24th May            10.45    MORNING WORSHIP**

*led by members of "Table Talk"*

**18.30    EVENING WORSHIP**

**Elsie Salmon**

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

## **Christian Aid Week collections**

The Christian Aid collection last week totalled £160 – £35 from Sunday School cakes, £90 from the lunch organised by Heather and Pam, and £35 from Wednesday's coffee morning organised by Robin (and Alison) Walker.

Further enveloped contributions are still acceptable today, after which the proceeds will be sent on. Thank you for your contributions.



## **Monday Workers' Breakfasts**

The fourth year of this Church at Castle outreach work started last Monday, offering the ministry of hospitality and friendship in the shape of a modest breakfast to workers, language students and others. It takes place at the gates to St. Giles' Church on eleven Mondays up to the end of July. Castle Street is providing three of the team of eleven volunteers. It costs £10 to buy the food and beverage for each Monday morning session. If you would like to sponsor a Monday breakfast, please add your name to the "Green List" on the noticeboard. Thank you.



## **"A Faith to Live by" – Haslingfield Methodist Church**

The next in this series takes place next Sunday evening (24th May) at 6.30pm, when Revd. Jean Simmonds will give a talk entitled "Transformed lives transform other lives".

The Turning Point Trust story is basically about the faith and care of ordinary people transforming the lives of those who, through poverty and despair are unable to see any hope for the future for themselves or their children. It is a story of the message and mission that Jesus initiated, a story of changed lives despite continued difficulties. In the secular, materialist society that we are part of today, this story challenges us who have found faith, hope, contentment and peace with a question. Do our transformed lives transform other lives? Jean is a Methodist minister who has ministered in several parts of the UK, and currently lives in Histon.

As usual, the evening will include a time of worship, a presentation, refreshments and discussion. All are welcome.

### **East Anglia District Ordinand's Testimony Service**

This takes place next Saturday (23rd May) at London Road Methodist Church in King's Lynn, starting at 3pm. The ordinand is Catherine Dixon – well-known to us in the Cambridge Circuit, and especially at Castle Street as she used to worship with us when a student at Wesley House. The preacher is Revd. Dr. Malcolm Guite.



### **Launch of new Wesley House journal *Holiness***

This is taking place on Monday 25th May at Wesley Methodist Church, starting at 1.45pm. Prof. Tom Greggs (another familiar name to those at Castle Street) will give a lecture; this will be followed by a tea, and a chance to see progress on the new Wesley House buildings.



### **Castle Hill Open Day**

This year's Castle Hill Open Day will be on Saturday 20th June, from noon to 5pm. Our church premises will be open for general visitors. We shall need some members to volunteer as welcomers and guides, servers of teas and cakes in the hall, background organists, and anyone who wants to display their interests (such as Make Do and Mend). There will also be a couple of items in part of the car park. Co-ordination on the day is by Heather. Volunteer names please to her or John Boocock.



### **Circuit Service of Appreciation – Sunday 5th July at Wesley**

A choir is being organised for this special service, to say thank you to several ministers who are stepping down. The choir will lead the singing and sing a few items on their own – there will be a rehearsal for this at 5pm on the day. If you're interested in joining the choir, please contact Geoff Batty (e-mail: gandkbatty at greenbee dot net, or via Brian Carter), and details of the music will be sent out in advance.

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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