



CASTLE STREET METHODIST CHURCH

"Where all are welcome – all the time"

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Sunday 16th August 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 16th Aug 10.45 MORNING WORSHIP

Rev. Dr. Brian Beck

Bible readings: 1 Kings 3: 3-14 (page 290)

Ephesians 5: 15-20 (page 185)

18.30 EVENING WORSHIP

John Boocock (*see overleaf*)

We pray... for the beauty of creation

Tue 18th Aug 19.00-21.00 Summer Social (*see overleaf*)

Wed 19th Aug 10.00 "Time to Be" prayer and fellowship

10.30-12.00 Coffee morning

12.00-13.00 "Forever Active" exercise class

Thu 20th Aug 10.00-12.00 "First Friends" baby and toddler group

Sun 23rd Aug 10.45 MORNING WORSHIP

Elsie Salmon – discussion service

18.30 EVENING WORSHIP WITH

HOLY COMMUNION

Rev. Alison Walker

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

This evening's service

The service this evening, led by our own expert on the history of the Castle Street chapel and its fellowship, will follow on from some of the historical events of our centenary year.

Having looked at some of the people commemorated around the building, John will look at some of the smaller memorials – telling us about the people named and their Christian faith. The service will probably be shorter than usual, and less formal – do come along.



Next Summer Social – three down, two to go!

The fourth of the five summer social events (also fundraising for the Mission and Social Responsibility Committee) takes place on Tuesday evening this week (18th August), from 7pm until 9pm. It's hosted by Joanna in her home (if you don't know where that is, have a word with her).

The final one for this summer is on the evening of Thursday 27th August, at the home of Jane and Jim Warwick. Thank you to all who have hosted, and to everyone who has supported these events – which are as much about getting to know each other as raising funds for “mission” purposes.



Circuit Welcome Service (1) – appeal for refreshments

We shall be welcoming our new superintendent minister, Revd. Colin Smith, to the circuit at a special service to be held at Wesley Methodist Church at 6.30pm on Sunday 6th September. Of course there will be Methodist refreshments as part of this event, in the form of a tea before the service, at 5pm.

Wesley Church has asked whether other churches in the circuit could help provide some refreshments in the shape of “savoury or plain plates”. If you are able to help in providing some refreshments then please leave them at Castle Street by midday on Sunday 6th and they will be taken to Wesley. Thank you.

Circuit Welcome Service (2) – musicians required

A reminder that instrumentalists and singers are required for the Circuit Welcome Service on 6th September, to be part of a music group for two or three more-modern items. To register your interest, please contact Phil Howie (e-mail: prh33 at cam dot ac dot uk) or Robin Walker, or speak to Alison. It is thought there will also be the “traditional” circuit choir as well (details have not yet been received), and it is definitely possible to be part of both groups.



Job advert – Church Centre Manager required at Emmanuel

The Community Development Director at Emmanuel United Reformed Church is retiring at the end of the year, and the church wants to appoint a Church Centre Manager to join the team running a busy, seven-day-a-week city centre church, with effect from 1st December.

To do so, the successful candidate will need a proven track record as an effective administrator, preferably in the charity sector, and a wide range of hands-on skills. He or she will be fully in sympathy with the Christian ethos of the church and able to work collaboratively with other employees, church members and volunteers (some of the latter have learning difficulties) for a salary in the range £28,000 to £33,000.

Full details can be obtained by e-mailing emmanuelurc at btinternet dot com. The closing date for applications is 14th September, with interviews towards the end of the month.



Rhine Cruise and Reformation Tour, 5th to 13th November 2016

In November 2016, Revd. Dr. and Mrs. Peter Graves will be leading a group to join a river cruise from Amsterdam along the Rhine to Koblenz, followed by an overland tour to see sites associated with the Great Protestant Reformer, Martin Luther. More details will be given in due course, but this is advance notice of a publicity meeting in the Upper Room at Wesley Methodist Church on Thursday 17th September starting at 7.30pm (coffee from 7.15pm). For more information contact Peter Graves (e-mail: pcgcam at yahoo dot com).

A visit to Iona

We worship at St Luke's on the third Sunday evening of the month (but not in August) to participate in a short, reflective "Iona Service" which is ably led by Paul Custerton. Do come along if you haven't yet experienced this different type of service, which starts at 7pm and finishes with a cup of coffee just after 7.30pm.

Paul is planning to take a group of people to the small island of Iona (just off Mull in the Inner Hebrides) for a week in September 2016. The group will stay in either the Abbey or in a centre nearby. The cost will be about £370 per person excluding travel.

The week will not be spent in a serious minded conference, nor will it be a retreat, but it will be a friendly experience of living in a community of reasonably like minded people. There will be lots of social events, the opportunity to join regular services in the Abbey, and some modest shared tasks to help the cleaners and the cooks.

Paul needs to make a group booking by the 31st August of this year – just a couple of weeks away. If you are interested in joining the group, then please have a word with Mike Sharpe, or contact Paul direct at prcust48 at yahoo dot co dot uk.



Next week's notice sheet

There will be no notice sheet in two weeks' time on Sunday 30th August (when morning worship will be at St. Giles' Church at 9am), so next week's notice sheet will cover two weeks.



Items for the September Castle View...

...should be with Anna Williams or Cassandra Morris next Sunday (23rd August) please.

Please contact **Brian Carter** if you have any items for inclusion on next Sunday's notice sheet, ideally by 8pm on Thursday evening.

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