



CASTLE STREET METHODIST CHURCH

"Where all are welcome – all the time"

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Sundays 23rd and 30th 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 23rd Aug 10.45 MORNING WORSHIP
Elsie Salmon – discussion service

18.30 EVENING WORSHIP WITH
HOLY COMMUNION
Rev. Alison Walker

Bible readings: Ephesians 6: 10-20 (p. 185); John 6: 56-69 (p. 94)

We pray... for the message of the Bible

Wed 26th Aug 10.00 "Time to Be" prayer and fellowship

10.30-12.00 Coffee morning

12.00-13.00 "Forever Active" exercise class

Thu 27th Aug 10.00-12.00 "First Friends Plus" for children up to 8 years

19.00-21.00 Summer Social (*see overleaf*)

Sun 30th Aug 09.00 UNITED MORNING WORSHIP WITH
HOLY COMMUNION *at St. Giles' Church*

18.30 EVENING WORSHIP
Rev. Chris White

We pray... for our ecumenical partners

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Final summer social

The fifth and final five summer social event (also fundraising for the Mission and Social Responsibility Committee) takes place on Thursday evening this week (27th August), from 7pm until 9pm. It's hosted by Jane and Jim Warwick in their home (address on printed notice sheet). Do come along if you're able – these events have been as much about getting to know each other as raising funds for “mission” purposes.



St. Giles' Fair – Saturday 5th September, 12 noon until 4pm

Your attention is drawn to this annual event. There are leaflets about it, but Heather has asked for contributions towards the White Elephant stall.



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](mailto:emmanuelurc@btinternet.com) or telephoning (01223) 351 174. 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

Brief details appeared last week about this proposed tour, led by Revd. Dr. and Mrs. Peter Graves. More details will appear in due course, but this is advance notice of a publicity meeting in the Upper Room at Wesley Methodist Church on Thursday 17th September at 7.30pm.

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 Custerson. 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 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.



Forthcoming Sunday notice sheets

There will be no notice sheet next Sunday (30th August), so the next one will be on Sunday 6th September. Production returns to its normal time, although the deadline for 13th September will be the Wednesday.



Items for the September Castle View...

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

Please contact **Brian Carter** if you have any items for inclusion on the next Sunday notice sheet (6th September), ideally Friday evening.

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