



CASTLE STREET METHODIST CHURCH

"Where all are welcome – all the time"

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Sunday 2nd July 2017

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 2nd Jul** **10.45 ALL-AGE MORNING WORSHIP**
including the baptism of Louka Seanior
Rev. Alison Walker
- 18.30 EVENING WORSHIP WITH HOLY COMMUNION**
Rev. Alison Walker
- We pray... for the joy of church music*
- Wed 5th Jul 10.00 "Time to Be" prayer and fellowship
- 10.30-12.00 Coffee morning
- 12.00-13.00 "Forever Active" exercise class
- Thu 6th Jul 10.00-12.00 "First Friends" baby and toddler group
- 19.30 Church Council
- Sat 8th Jul from 14.30 Summer Social (*details overleaf*)
- Sun 9th Jul** **10.45 MORNING WORSHIP**
John Boocock
- 18.30 EVENING WORSHIP**
Rev. Charity Nzegwu

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

Bible readings for today's services

10.45am: Ephesians 4: 1-16 (*page 183*)

6.30pm: Genesis 22: 1-18 (*page 16*)

Romans 6: 12-23 (*page 147*)

Matthew 10: 37-42 (*page 10*)



Church picnic lunch – today

We hope that people will come along to our picnic lunch today. We'll set off after coffee, and walk down to Jesus Green. Don't worry if you've not brought anything – we're hoping that people will have brought enough food for themselves plus a little spare left over. (Note that it is suggested that people don't leave cars in the car park, to avoid them being blocked in by the Korean Presbyterian Church, who start to arrive at 1pm.)



Questionnaire about Sunday evening services

The stewards are trying to survey everyone at Castle Street about their views on our Sunday evening worship. We would like responses from as many people as possible, including those who do not attend evening services here. Responses are anonymous.

A questionnaire has been produced, and is being given out today. It will also be available over the next few weeks, and can also be obtained electronically by e-mailing Brian (e-mail address overleaf). We'd appreciate forms being returned by the end of July. Thank you.



Summer social – next Saturday afternoon

Our next summer social takes place next Saturday afternoon (8th July), from 2.30pm, at the home of Kimberley and Chris Rayson (address on printed notices and in *Castle View*). There will be tea and cake in the garden. Details of all the summer socials can be found in the July / August *Castle View*, available today.



"A contemporary Indian Perspective on the Protestant Reformation"

The Jubilee Centre in collaboration with Christian Heritage is organising this talk at the Round Church tomorrow evening (3rd July), starting at 6.45pm. It will be given by Dr. Vishal Mangalwadi, author of *The Book that made your world: How the Bible created the soul of Western Civilisation*. For more information and to book (it's free!), visit www.jubilee-centre.org.

Action for Children collection boxes

It is Action for Children (AfC) Sunday next week (9th July). This is the time when we round up the Black Lantern Boxes from our lovely collectors and pool the donations to make a single monetary gift to AfC.

In 2016 AfC worked with 390,000 babies, children and families throughout the UK. The impact of this work by AfC has been measured as:

- 71% of children we work with improved their mental health;
- 77% of children and young people are more able to achieve their educational potential;
- 72% of children under 5 we work with are now reaching their developmental milestones;
- 73% of children at risk of neglect have warmer more supportive relationships with their parent or carer(s);
- 74% of children at risk of neglect who we work with experience an improvement in family life due to improved routines.

Could box holders please lend them to Joyce Sharpe for emptying, or hand them to a steward.

If anyone would like to have a coveted AfC Collection Box, then please have a word with Joyce who has a group of boxes just longing for a friendly home.



Singing Allowed concert

Singing Allowed is the choir which has been rehearsing in our church hall on Monday evenings for the last five years. They are holding their Summer Concert of songs from their varied repertoire in our church on Monday 17th July, starting at 7.30pm. Admission is free, but there will be a collection in aid of The Rainbow Trust children's charity. Refreshments will be served afterwards.



Making Sense of the Parables – tonight at St. John's, Waterbeach at 7pm

Prof. Craig Blomberg will lead a session on the parables of Jesus in the Church Room at St. John's Waterbeach. Craig is Professor of New Testament at Denver Seminary, and enjoys an international reputation in NT studies. This promises to be an informative and stimulating evening of teaching and discussion. Refreshments will be available afterwards.

Sommerfest in der Evangelisch-Lutherischen Kirche, Sonntag 9. Juli

Next Sunday (9th July), the German-speaking Lutheran Church at 4 Shaftsbury Road is holding its annual summer fete, and this will celebrate the completion of its building project to make German Church House fully accessible. Following open-air worship in the garden at 11am, the opening ceremony will be at 2.30pm. At the fete itself (which finishes at 4pm) there will be activities and games for children and adults, Bratwurst from the barbeque, and home-baked German cakes. All are warmly invited.



Lesslie Newbiggin Summer Institute open lectures

There are two lectures, in the Cripps Auditorium at Magdalene College, both starting at 4pm and lasting an hour and a half:

- Wed 12th Jul: "Reformation and the end of Christendom" – Prof. Eamon Duffy, Emeritus Professor of the History of Christianity, University of Cambridge.
- Thu 13th Jul: "Rethinking the Church: Lesslie Newbiggin and the Household of God" – Dr. Rowan Williams, Master of Magdalene College, Cambridge and former Archbishop of Canterbury.

To book a (free) place at one or both of these lectures, please e-mail newbiggincentre at gmail dot com.



Job vacancies at St. Philip's Church Centre, Mill Road

- Children and Youth Coordinator – 37.5 hours per week (including weekend and some evenings), salary dependent on experience.
- Centre Manager – 30 hours per week, salary dependent on experience.

Space prevents giving more details of the posts; these can be obtained by e-mailing warden at stphilipchurch dot org dot uk (where applications – including a covering letter and CV – should be sent). The closing date for applications is 7th July (Friday).

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

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