



CASTLE STREET METHODIST CHURCH

"Where all are welcome – all the time"

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Sunday 8th October 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 8th Oct 10.45 MORNING WORSHIP

Dr. Derek Nicholls

Bible readings: Exodus 20: 1-21 (p. 63); Matthew 21: 33-46 (p. 22)

18.30 EVENING WORSHIP

Craig Shepherd

Bible readings: Proverbs 2: 1-11 (p. 541); Mark 10: 2-16 (p. 44)

We pray... for prisoners and their families, and those who work with them

Wed 11th Oct 10.00 "Time to Be" prayer and fellowship

10.30-12.00 Coffee morning

12.00-13.00 "Forever Active" exercise class

19.00 for 20.00 "Table Talk" (see also overleaf)

Thu 12th Oct 10.00-12.00 "First Friends" baby and toddler group

Sun 15th Oct 10.45 MORNING WORSHIP WITH HOLY COMMUNION

Rev. Alison Walker

18.30 IONA SERVICE at St. Luke's

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

“Table Talk” this term

We’ve decided to make a small adjustment to Table Talk, which is now “our group for young adults”. If you feel that this description is no longer true for you, then don’t worry – there will be other forthcoming opportunities for small groups / Bible study groups / fellowship groups in the coming months.

This term we are meeting on Wednesday evenings, at church. We gather to eat a simple meal at 7pm, or if you just want to come and join us for coffee, worship and discussion then arrive at 8pm. We finish by 9.30pm.

During October we will be studying the Book of James:

- 11th Oct – James 1: “Doers of the Word”
- 18th Oct – James 2 : “Faith and Works”
- 25th Oct – James 3 and 4: 1-12: “Speech and Wisdom”
- 1st Nov – James 4: 13-17 and 5: “Living for the Lord”



“A Faith to Live By” at Haslingfield Methodist Church – next Sunday

After the summer break, this series of monthly Sunday evening services restarts next week (15th October), when Revd. Dr. Brian Beck will address the question “What is wrong with Charles Wesley’s hymns?” Brian is a past President of the British Methodist Conference and a former Secretary of Conference, as well as being a former Principal of Wesley House – and is, of course, well known to us at Castle Street. The service begins at 6.30pm with a short time of worship, followed by the presentation and discussion, and then refreshments.



“Science Meets Faith” at Wesley Methodist Church

The first in the “Science Meets Faith” series for the new academic year will take place tomorrow evening (Monday 9th October). Dr. Mark Harris, Senior Lecturer in the Divinity Department at the University of Edinburgh, will talk about “Creation not Creationism: what does the Bible have to say to Science?”. Refreshments will be served from 7.15pm with the talk beginning at 7.45pm. More information about this lecture and the guest speaker (and the programme for the rest of the year) can be found on the Wesley Methodist Church website www.wesleycam.org.uk.

“Big Issues” at Histon Methodist Church – Thursday evening

The next in this series takes place on Thursday evening (12th October) at 7.30pm, when science journalist Dave Bradley will speak about “Photography, Birds and Science”. Refreshments served in the interval.



An evening with Katharina von Bora – this Friday (13th October)

A rare opportunity to meet and talk with Katharina von Bora, Martin Luther’s widow! She will be in conversation with the well-known Wool Merchant Thomas Paycocke of Coggeshall. Hear her reminisce about her early life in Saxony, her escape from the convent, and her subsequent marriage to the renowned Reformer.

Writer Anne Boileau (who last year published her novel *Katharina Luther. Nun. Rebel. Wife*) and Andrew Clarke (playing Thomas Paycocke) will take us on a journey five hundred years back in time. The presentation will be followed by an open discussion with time for questions and answers.

It’s taking place on Friday evening at the German Church House, 4 Shaftesbury Road, starting at 7.30pm, and tickets cost £8 (concessions £5).



Events elsewhere this week previously advertised

For more information see the October *Castle View*.

- MWiB Autumn District Day – “Bees are a-buzzing”: Wednesday (11th October) at Ely Methodist Church from 10.30am – contact Lynn Taylor (e-mail: lynngtaylor at btinternet dot com) if you plan to go.
- Cambridge Bible Society Action Group Autumn Supper – “New Wine in Old Skins: Translating the Psalms for Christian Worship”: Friday (13th October) at 6.45pm in the Queen Edith Chapel, Wulfstan Way. Tickets £7 from Brian West (e-mail: brian dot west1941 at gmail dot com; telephone number on printed notice sheet).



Christian Aid “Inherit the Earth” exhibition at Wesley

The October *Castle View* has details of this exhibition at Wesley Methodist Church, which is open from 9am until 12.30pm on Monday to Friday for two weeks starting on Monday 16th October.

Cambridge Churches Homelessness Project – again!

The November *Castle View* will contain an article about CCHP, but, in advance of this, your attention is drawn to the information on the back cover of the October issue. Training dates for new volunteers (also useful as a refresher for those who have helped before) are Wednesday 8th November at St. Paul's, Thursday 9th November at Great St. Mary's, and Tuesday 14th November at Little St. Mary's. All start at 7pm, and include supper; new volunteers need to attend one training session.



Training day on Social Media, Publicity and Communications

The South Essex Circuit is hosting this training day, organised by the Methodist Church Discipleship and Learning Network, next Saturday (14th October) at Western Road Methodist Church, Billericay, between 10.30am and 3.30pm. It's aimed at anyone who would like to learn more about the use of social media, publicity and communications in church or circuit situations, and will be led by Toby Fairclough, Media Officer of The Methodist Church.

The day will include a general introduction to social media (including the pros and cons of the different media, and how to create an account); the basics about posting to social media (including how to curate content, whether or not to share, dealing with photos and video as well as text, and when to post messages – scheduling, interacting and managing a page); matters relating to press releases (how to write one, who to send it to, and dos and don'ts); and how to prepare for media interviews. As well as a question and answer session, there will also be the opportunity to share ideas with others attending.

The charge is £4 per person, to cover the cost of lunch (provided by the host church); this will be collected on the day. To book a place, visit <https://socialmedia-communications.eventbrite.co.uk>.

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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