

## CASTLE STREET METHODIST CHURCH

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# **Sunday 11th February 2018**

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 11th Feb 10.45 MORNING WORSHIP

Rev. Alison Walker

Bible readings: Luke 10: 25-37 (page 68)

Isaiah 42: 1-9 (page 614)

18.30 EVENING WORSHIP

Rev. Dr. Stuart Mews

Bible readings: Exodus 34: 29-35 (page 78)

Mark 9: 2-8 (page 42)

We pray... for justice for all

Wed 14th Feb 10.00 "Time to Be" prayer and fellowship

10.30-12.00 Coffee morning

Thu 15th Feb 10.00-12.00 "First Friends" baby and toddler group

Fri 16th Feb 18.30 for 19.15 "Table Talk"

Sun 18th Feb 10.45 MORNING WORSHIP
Rev. Colin Smith

19.00 IONA SERVICE at St. Luke's

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

#### "Forever Active" this week

Please note that this week's strength and balance exercise class is cancelled because it is the school half term holiday. It will resume on 21st February.



## "Come and see: Journeying through Lent with John's Gospel"

A reminder to sign up for the lunchtime Lent study group, which is planned to start on Thursday 22nd February and run for six weeks (until Maundy Thursday). Details have appeared on recent notice sheets.

A small number of people have expressed an interest in running this Bible study on Friday evenings as well (which Alison said would need to start this coming Friday) – please speak to Alison. The course also starts this evening at Haslingfield and at Toft on Wednesday mornings starting on 21st February – details of both can be found in the February *Castle View*.



#### Rotas for Sunday mornings – volunteers still wanted!

As regular readers may have realised, we've been struggling a bit in recent months to fill the various rotas for Sunday morning services – but not as a result of a shortage of willing volunteers: the problem has been filling the gaps in enough time that those who need to know can to find out who (if anyone) has already volunteered to do what.

So we're going to try to return to the old system: Chris Rayson is going to compile the rotas on a quarterly basis, starting with March, April and May, so that the completed rotas can appear in *Castle View*. Chris has already been in contact with those who volunteer regularly, but this is a reminder for them (and anyone else who would like to help) to get back in touch if you have not (e-mail: cjr43 *at* cantab *dot* net). It would be very helpful to know which job(s) you would like to help with, how often you are prepared to do it (them), and when you are or are not available. There's also a Doodle poll, as well as sign-up sheets at church. Of course, dates allocated are not set in stone – if something comes up, it's always possible to do a swap or get someone to stand in.

There are currently gaps in the first and last weeks of March, as well as most of April and May. Ideally we'd like there to be two people doing each task each week. Thank you to all who have already volunteered.

## "Science Meets Faith" at Wesley, tomorrow evening (Mon 12th Feb)

Dr. Amos Burke, Consultant Paediatric Oncologist at Addenbrooke's Hospital, will talk on "Cancer Treatment: Questions of hope and faith". The lecture starts at 7.45pm, with refreshments from 7.15pm. Admission is free, but there will be a retiring collection.

Amos Burke is a Seventh-day Adventist, serving in his local congregation. He studied medicine in Edinburgh, graduating in 1991. He later combined clinical training in paediatric oncology with a PhD on the molecular biology childhood cancer. In 2004 he took up his present appointment at Addenbrooke's. With colleagues, he leads the care of children with cancer from across the East of England and has helped develop the pioneering "Brainbow" rehabilitation service for children with brain tumours (see www.cuh.org.uk/addenbrookes-hospital/services/brainbow). For his teaching and personal research roles he has an (honorary) appointment as Associate Lecturer in the Department of Paediatrics, University of Cambridge. Beyond Cambridge he serves in several roles in the development and delivery of clinical trials for children with cancer, including his role with the National Institute for Health Research Clinical Research Network since 2011, in which he is responsible for the delivery of clinical trials for children and young people's cancer in England. He has a particular interest in childhood non-Hodgkin lymphoma and has served in various capacities the UK group responsible for the development of new clinical trials in this area since 1999 (chair since 2010).

In his work with colleagues, Amos applies the best available evidence to the treatment of children with cancer, whilst also seeking to advance the field through research and the development and conduct of clinical trials in his areas of expertise. In his talk, Amos will outline the current state of progress towards a cure for childhood cancer and will offer a perspective on hope in cancer care and some personal reflections on faith for patient and physician as the science of cancer and its treatment advances.

#### "Faith to Live By": Sunday 25th February at Haslingfield

Memory Ruzvido, a lecturer at the University of Hertfordshire with a strong background in Primary Care, will talk about "Nursing, religious belief and person-centred care". More details in *Castle View*.

"Friends across the Rainbow" - this Tuesday (13th February), 7-9pm

An interfaith gathering for LGBT History Month 2018: come together to celebrate inclusion and commonality, and work for a more peaceful world at this rich and diverse evening of readings, performance, prayer and reflections, food and friendship. It's at the Friends Meeting House, Jesus Lane. For more information, e-mail lgbthm18@gmail.com.

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New café discussion group for those in mental health recovery

A small, friendly discussion group for anyone in recovery from mental health issues starts this Tuesday (13th February). A chance to air what's on your mind amongst kindred spirits. Supported by the Fulbourn Chaplaincy, the group will meet on the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month, from 11.30-12.30, at The Locker, 54 Kings Street. More information from Mark Woods (e-mail: coast *at* live *dot* co *dot* uk).

Wesley House Easter School – Monday 26th to Wednesday 28th March Information about this appeared two weeks ago; for full details and to register, visit https://easterschool2018.eventbrite.co.uk.

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Brian's Big Birthday Barn Dance – Saturday 24th February from 6pm

All are invited to this celebration (with a secondary aim of raising money for CCHP) – please remember to sign up! More details are in *Castle View*.. If anyone would like to help with the catering preparations (probably a sandwich-making team!), please have a word with Brian.

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**Future meeting dates** 

Church Council: Thursday 12th April, Wednesday 4th July. General Church Meeting: Sunday 29th April (after the morning service).

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Items for the March Castle View...

...should be with Anna or Cassie by Wednesday (14th February) please.

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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