



# CASTLE STREET METHODIST CHURCH

*"Where all are welcome – all the time"*

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## **Sunday 11th March 2018 – Mothering Sunday**

*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 Mar                      10.45 ALL-AGE MORNING WORSHIP WITH  
  HOLY COMMUNION  
  Rev. Alison Walker**

**18.30 EVENING WORSHIP  
  Rev. Colin Smith**

*We pray... for Mothering Sunday*

**Wed 14th Mar                      10.00 "Time to Be" prayer and fellowship**

10.30-12.00 Coffee morning

12.00-13.00 "Forever Active" exercise class

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

12.30 for 13.00 Lent study course

**Fri 16th Mar                      19.45 Lent study course**

**Sun 18th Mar                      10.45 MORNING WORSHIP  
  Prof. Judith Lieu**

**19.00 IONA SERVICE at St. Luke's**

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

## **“Faith to Live By” at Haslingfield, next Sunday evening at 6.30pm**

The next in this series of special services at Haslingfield Methodist Church takes place next Sunday evening (18th March), when the speaker will be Castle Street steward Edwin Panford-Quainoo. He will talk about “Medicines, Ethics and Pharmacy Practice”. More details can be found in *Castle View*.



## **Holy Week Seder Meal, Tuesday 27th March**

Due to a mix-up with bookings at St. Augustine’s, this Church at Castle event (details in *Castle View*) will now be held at St. Luke’s Church, and will start at 6pm. Tickets cost £4, and can be obtained from Heather.



## **2017-18 Methodist Prayer Handbook**

As a result of an error by its printers, Methodist Publishing has spare copies of this publication, which it is giving away free of charge. Sarah Creeke has several copies to distribute if anyone would like one.



## **“Making Refuge: Creative Responses to the Refugee Crisis”**

Great St. Mary’s Church and the Michaelhouse Centre are pleased to invite everyone to this Monday lunchtime series on creative responses to the refugee crisis, featuring activists, artists, filmmakers and politicians. The talks are at the Michaelhouse Centre (home of the Michaelhouse Café), and start at 1pm (12.30pm on 19th March) with a soup lunch from 12.30pm (£2 suggested donation for lunch).

The remaining speakers and topics are:

- 12th Mar: Daniel Eng, Divinity Faculty PhD candidate and winner of the Goodwin Prize for his work on how the teaching of Jesus applies to Immigrant Care and Refugee Relief.
- 19th Mar: Cllr. Lewis Herbert, Leader, Cambridge City Council, speaking on Cambridge initiatives to help 100 refugees from Syria and refugees from other countries. (Note: this talk starts at 12.30pm).
- 26th Mar: Issam Kourbaj, Artist in Residence, Christ’s College whose work *Another Day Lost* was inspired by and based on the Syrian refugee crisis.

## **“Science Meets Faith” at Wesley Methodist Church – tomorrow evening**

Details of this lecture, “Matters of fact or matters of faith?”, given by Prof. Tony Bell FRS from the University of Oxford, can be found in *Castle View*. It starts at 7.45pm, with refreshments from 7.15pm.



## **“The Passion, 2018” – this coming Friday and Saturday**

Members and friends of Little St. Mary’s Church (Trumpington Street) are performing a Passion Play for Cambridge on Friday and Saturday (16th and 17th March), starting at 7.30pm. Admission is free, but there will be a retiring collection which will be split equally between CCHP and Little St. Mary’s Stations of the Cross. The play is intended to be both for all Christians and people new to the Passion story. It will finish by 9pm.



## **“Parenting Puzzle” nurturing programme – taster session**

A nationwide course, now in its fourth year in Cambridge, the Parenting Puzzle programme nurtures confidence around four building blocks for a thriving family life. It’s a dynamic way to learn, be real, to challenge yourself and meet others in the same boat. It will take place on Monday evenings at Chesterton Methodist Church for ten weeks, starting on 23rd April, but there’s a taster session on Monday 19th March from 7.30pm to 9.30pm for anyone who would like to find out more.

For more information and to book on the ten-week course, contact the North Cambridge Nurturing Programme Team (e-mail: northcambridgeparentingpuzzle at gmail dot com). It’s run by the charity Family Links, which is backed by a group of churches.



## **Springs Dance Company: “Bread of Life”, Saturday 24th March**

The Springs Dance Company is presenting “Bread of Life” at St. George’s Church, Chesterton on Saturday 24th March, starting at 4pm. It’s described as a “Danced, joyous and living expression of Jesus and his friends.” Tickets cost £10 for adults (there’s no charge for children) and can be booked on the Eventbrite website, or contact Revd. Ruth Adams (e-mail: vicar at stgeorgeschesterton dot org dot uk). Those attending are advised to dress warmly.

## **“Romero and the Social Challenges of El Salvador Today”**

Rubén Zamora (Diplomat, Politician and Advocate for Peace who knew Archbishop Romero) will give this talk on Friday evening (16th March) at Wesley Methodist Church, starting at 7pm and lasting about two hours. It's being organised by the Cambridge Justice and Peace Group in collaboration with the Archbishop Romero Trust as part of Romero Week 2018. Tea and coffee will be served. More information can be found at [www.romerotrust.org.uk/news/romero-week-2018](http://www.romerotrust.org.uk/news/romero-week-2018).



## **Dementia friends information session**

Royston Methodist Church is hosting this event next Saturday (17th March), which will focus on dementia awareness and how we can encourage churches to be more dementia friendly. It will be led by Chantal Bradley from the Alzheimer's Society. It starts at 10.30am (coffee from 10am), and will last around two hours. Everyone is very welcome.



## **Good Friday (30th March) – volunteers needed**

In addition to a short service at 10.45am, the church will be open during the day to passers-by, with the opportunity to explore “Stations of the Gospel through the eyes of Mark” – a self-guided “pilgrimage” around ten stations, with material for reflection. We hope to have the church open from 10am until 7.30pm, and need people to be present during that time. There's a sign-up sheet for volunteers (with slots of ninety minutes) on the noticeboard at the back of the church (see *Castle View* for full details).



## **Easter Sunday celebrations**

As usual, there will be a short Church at Castle service on Castle Mound, which this year is being organised by us. If you would like to be involved in planning or take part, please speak to Brian. Chris Rayson is also seeking volunteers to help with the Easter Breakfast which follows.

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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