

CASTLE STREET METHODIST CHURCH

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Sundays 19th and 26th August 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 19th Aug 10.45 MORNING WORSHIP Rev. Clifford Meharry

Bible readings: Psalm 121 (page 529); Luke 10: 25-37 (page 68)

We pray... for housebound members and friends

Sun 26th Aug

10.45 CHURCH AT CASTLE UNITED MORNING WORSHIP WITH HOLY COMMUNION Preacher: Rev. Tom Ambrose

18.30 EVENING WORSHIP Rev. Dr. Stuart Mews

We pray... for peace in our world

Wed 29th Aug 10.00 "Time to Be" prayer and fellowship

10.30-12.00 Coffee morning

Thu 30th Aug 10.00-15.30 "I Wonder" summer special (see overleaf)

Sun 2nd Sep 10.45 MORNING WORSHIP Phyllis Salmon

18.30 CIRCUIT SERVICE at Wesley Church

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

Wednesday daytime activities

A reminder that there will be no Wednesday daytime activities on 22nd August, due to the repair work currently being undertaken to the kitchen floor. The "Time to be" prayer meeting and the coffee morning will resume on 29th August (assuming the kitchen floor repairs have been successfully completed), and the "Forever Active" exercise class restarts the week after that (5th September).



"I Wonder" summer special, Thursday 30th August

This summer's "I Wonder", aimed at children aged five and over, will take place from 10.30am until 3.30pm (registration from 10am) – the first time it has been extended into the afternoon. As well as "Godly Play", there will be games, cookery, music and a packed lunch at the park (children need to bring a packed lunch). The day will end with a brief worship session from 3pm, to which parents, siblings and everyone else is invited.

To download a registration form, visit www.castlestreet.org.uk/I-wonder/. Please spread the word, and direct people to the website or Alison. But most important of all – pray, pray and pray that:

- we will have at least twelve bookings;
- the children will arrive having slept well, happy and expectant;
- we will be able to welcome all the children, quickly learn their names, and understand their needs;
- the day will be happy and peaceful;
- we will have opportunities to sensitively share the good news of Jesus, and enable the children to make their own responses (this autonomy is key to the style of story-telling) and to warmly respect their contributions.



Circuit Service - Sunday 2nd September at 6.30pm

The circuit service on the evening of Sunday 2nd September will take place at Wesley Methodist Church. Unusually for a service at the start of the Methodist connexional year, it will be to say farewell – to Revd. Barbara Garwood, thanking her for all she has done in the three years she has been in the Cambridge Circuit.

Methodist Prayer Handbook

With the start of the new Methodist connexional year comes the release of this year's Methodist Prayer Handbook. This year's theme is "A World Transformed". The Prayer Handbook offers simple prayers of intercession and thanksgiving as well as poetic reflections and aids to devotion, which help us call upon God's transforming love to be made active in the lives of children, women and men across the world. Arranged as a 31-day cycle, the Handbook also includes a daily lectionary with a suggested hymn (from *Singing the Faith*) to accompany and guide you through the year.

Anyone who would like a copy to be ordered should contact Sarah Creeke (e-mail: sarah dot creeke at btopenworld dot com) stating whether standard print (A5) or large print (A4). As Sarah will be ordering more than ten copies, the price per copy will be £3.50 (as last year).

One Hundred Days of Peace and Hope

Recent notice sheets (available on our website) have mentioned the Remembrance 100 initiative which started this month, planned by Churches Together in England. A booklet containing prayers and suggestions for peace-making activities for each of the one hundred days has been produced; we have a few copies (ask a steward if you would like one), and it is also available on-line at www.rembrance100.co.uk/100-days (you download one week at a time).



Riverside Prayer Walk for Refugees and Migrants, Ely to Cambridge

This is taking place on Saturday 8th September, starting at Ely Cathedral at 9.30am and finishing at Pembroke College at around 5pm. There will then be a service in the college chapel, and refreshments. You can leave or join at Upware or Waterbeach. The originating group are Christians from the Multicultural and the Traditional denominations. The walk serves two purposes: to express prayerful concern about the Refugee crisis (participants will learn something about walking!); to enable people (Christians and others) to meet and learn about each other, celebrating, rather than fearing diversity (walking together is a perfect way to start conversations). For more information or to express an interest, visit tinyurl.com/ElyCamRefugee or e-mail jtdg2 at cam dot ac dot uk.

St. Giles' Fair - Saturday 8th September

The annual Fair at St. Giles' Church takes place on Saturday 8th September, and once again Castle Street will be having a stall. This year, in memory of Chris Moule, it will be to raise funds for the Lewy Body Society (www.lewybody.org). Anne and Heather will be running a "preloved" stall, and donations of any bric-a-brac will be gratefully received – there are collection boxes in our church hall and at the back of the church. Anyone wishing to help before, during or after the fair will be most welcome – have a chat with Heather or Anne.

"Encounter" – training day for those working in Children's Ministry This is taking place on Saturday 13th October at the Vine Inter-Church Primary School in Upper Cambourne. For more details and for a booking form, e-mail julias@genr8.org.

"Social mobility - a task for all of us"

Each year at Methodist Conference there is a lecture on an issue relating to justice and peace. The video (43 minutes) or transcript of this year's is available at www.jointpublicissues.org.uk/becklylecture2018/.

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Harvest Barn Dance - Saturday 22nd September

We're holding another family barn dance, this time to celebrate our Harvest Festival weekend, with Joyce Goodall (as usual) being the caller. There will be a simple supper (probably jacket potatoes), and it will start at 6pm. Tickets will be available soon from the stewards – suggested minimum donation of £5 per person (pay on the night) in aid of the Cambridge Foodbank and the Cherry Homes Trust.

Coming soon...

A four-session Bible study on the book of Jonah, at 8pm on Friday evenings starting on 14th September. More in the September *Castle View*.

Please contact **Brian Carter** if you have any items for inclusion on the notice sheet for Sunday 2nd September, ideally by <u>Wednesday</u> evening. Tel: <u>0771 887 1244</u> E-mail: notices *at* castlestreet *dot* org *dot* uk