



CASTLE STREET METHODIST CHURCH

"Where all are welcome – all the time"

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Sunday 9th September 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 9th Sep 10.45 ALL-AGE MORNING WORSHIP
Deacon Ian Murray

18.30 EVENING WORSHIP WITH
HOLY COMMUNION
Rev. Dr. Brian Beck

We pray... for all those who learn and teach

Wed 12th Sep 10.00 "Time to Be" prayer and fellowship

10.30-12.00 Coffee morning

12.00-13.00 "Forever Active" exercise class

Thu 13th Sep 10.00-12.00 "First Friends" baby and toddler group

Fri 14th Sep 20.00 Bible study (*see overleaf*)

Sun 16th Sep 10.45 MORNING WORSHIP
Jean Simmonds

19.00 IONA SERVICE at St. Luke's

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

Bible readings for today's services

10.45am: Mark 7: 24-37 (*page 40*)

6.30pm: Isaiah 30: 19-22 (*page 604*) Matthew 28: 16-20 (*page 32*)



Harvest Festival weekend – Saturday 22nd and Sunday 23rd September

It's our Harvest Festival in a fortnight, and this year we're going to learn more about the End Hunger UK campaign during the morning service (which will be led by Alison, and also include a celebration of Holy Communion). There was something about this on the notice sheets for the last three Sundays of July (available to download from the church website), including how to sign the petition. We ask for donations of non-perishable food for the Cambridge Foodbank.

On the Saturday evening, starting at 6pm, Joyce Goodall has kindly agreed to run another family barn dance for us. There will be a simple supper (probably jacket potatoes with fillings). Tickets are now available from Denise – we suggest a minimum donation of £5 per person (to be paid on the night), with the proceeds being split between the Cambridge Foodbank and the Cherry Homes Trust.



Friday evening Bible study – starts this week

The September *Castle View* contains an article written by Alison outlining plans for our fellowship and study groups over the coming year. The first of these is to be a four-session Bible study on the book of Jonah, using the Methodist Church *Bible Month* magazine. It will take place on Friday evenings at 8pm at church, and starts this week (14th September). Table Talk, which restarts on Wednesday 3rd October, will include the same Bible study.



Welcome (back) initiatives

Castle View contains a piece outlining some "Sausage Sizzles" that we're organising to allow those who pass by our premises – including new and returning students – to meet us and find out more. They're taking place on Saturday 29th and Sunday 30th September (the weekend Cambridge University term starts) and Sunday 7th October. Do read the article and think about how you can help...

Creation: a celebration

An exhibition featuring forty-two breath-taking panels of embroidery, painting and mixed-media. Using the narrative of Genesis as its theme, the panels are a luminescent piece of storytelling, which took artist Sue Symonds two years to create – by hand! The art is rich in detail, vitality and even humour, helping viewers to reconnect with the natural world through a blend of historic and contemporary artistry. This exhibition, sponsored by the Bible Society, is on display in Emmanuel Church, Trumpington Street, all through September. It's open between 10.30am and 3pm on Tuesdays to Fridays. Come and be reminded of God's creation. Come and join the celebration.



Royston Fringe

Castle View has details of the events being held at Royston Methodist Church as part of the annual Royston Fringe later this month. Note the "Inquisitive Minds with Brushes" event is on Friday 28th September.



"A Faith to Live By" at Haslingfield – dates for your diary

- Sun 21st Oct: Revd. Dr. Stuart Bell – "Faith in Conflict: Why didn't the Great War undermine Britain's faith in God?"
- Sun 11th Nov: Dr. Caitriona McCartney – "Faith in British Sunday Schools during the First World War"



GenR8 Showcase evening, Tuesday 2nd October

A fun and informative evening to Celebr8 all things GenR8! Find out more about GenR8's activities – school assemblies, Inspire Prayer Spaces, Cool Choices, It's Your Move, GYL, Xcellr8 – plus see how you can support or get involved in this mission that reaches over forty thousand children with a Christian message each term.

It's taking place at Histon Baptist Church, from 7.30pm to 9pm (refreshments from 7.15pm). Many of the local volunteers, including young people, will take part in the evening.

It would be helpful (but not essential) if anyone planning to go could let them know (e-mail: *helent at genr8 dot org*).

Remembrance Sunday 2018

Those who have read the September *Castle View* will see that Denise plans another marvellous display in our window, but needs some resources:

- Lots of poppies – knitted, crocheted, cardboard, or old “poppy appeal” poppies.
- Plastic bottles of all sizes (must be round) to make poppies.
- Photos of Castle Street folk’s relatives who served in the First World War or who worked on the land or in factories, etc., or who were conscientious objectors. These will be scanned to make a slide show and possible a display board to show the church’s personal links with the Great War.

Please leave the poppies and plastic bottles in the box in the hall, but it’s probably best to hand photos directly to Denise or ask another steward to pass them on.



Appeals for help

The September *Castle View* asks if anyone can help Martin with keeping the church website up to date. If you think you might be able to help but want to know more, please see that piece, or contact Martin. Martin also notes that he has not been able to run the monthly Fairtrade stall recently, and asks if anyone would be able to help with this.

Meanwhile, Anna asked in the July / August issue if anyone would like to know more about producing *Castle View*, with a view to taking over the role of editor at some point in the future.



ReImagine – the next steps

It’s happening today... your chance to have your say. Please listen to the announcement and explanation / instructions, and if you can’t stay afterwards please make sure you pick up an information and voting sheet.

Please contact **Brian Carter** if you have any items for inclusion on next Sunday’s notice sheet, by Wednesday evening this week.
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