



# CASTLE STREET METHODIST CHURCH

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

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## Sunday 14th October 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 14th Oct**            **10.45 ALL-AGE MORNING WORSHIP**  
*(Church Anniversary)*    **Kimberley Rayson**
- 12.30 Bring-and-share lunch
- 18.30 EVENING WORSHIP WITH HOLY COMMUNION**  
**Rev. Alison Walker**
- We pray... for prisoners and their families, and those who work with them*
- Wed 17th Oct**            **10.00 "Time to Be" prayer and fellowship**
- 10.30-12.00 Coffee morning
- 12.00-13.00 Strength and balance exercise class
- 19.00 for 20.00 "Table Talk"
- Thu 18th Oct**    **10.00-12.00 "First Friends" baby and toddler group**
- Fri 19th Oct**        (time tbc) **Storey's Way Housegroup** *(see overleaf)*
- Sun 21st Oct**            **10.45 MORNING WORSHIP**        **Rev. Joy Levine**
- 18.00 "FAITH TO LIVE BY" SERVICE**  
*at Haslingfield Methodist Church (see overleaf)*
- 19.00 IONA SERVICE** *at St. Luke's*

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

## **Bring-and-share lunch today**

As part of our church anniversary celebrations today, we're holding a bring-and-share lunch after the morning service. Thank you to all who have brought food to share, but don't worry if you haven't – there's usually enough food at these events to go round, so please stay anyway!



## **Indonesia Emergency Appeal**

The Methodist Church in Britain and the Methodist Relief and Development Fund "All We Can" recently launched an urgent appeal for the people of Indonesia, following the earthquake and tsunami which struck on 28th September. More than 1.5 million people have been affected – many hundreds were killed, and 42,000 are without homes. Urgent supplies of food, water, shelter and medical treatment are needed now.

The offering at both services today – loose cash, any cheques made payable to Castle Street Methodist Church, and the contents of weekly and Gift Aid envelopes – will be donated to the appeal. In addition, £200 from the Wednesday coffee mornings will be diverted to this appeal. A cheque will be sent tomorrow (Monday).

We hope that those who are able will give generously. Thank you.



## **A prayer for the situation in Indonesia from the Methodist Church website**

Loving Lord,

We pray for the people in Indonesia affected by the earthquake and tsunami.

For those people not yet reached by aid, we ask for quick access and rescue.

For the families grieving loved ones lost, we ask for comfort and hope.

For those without homes and facilities, we ask for basic needs to be met.

For those traumatised by the chaos, we ask for calmness and peace.

For the aid workers using their skills to help, we ask for wisdom and strength.

For us, as strangers to those in need, help us to respond as neighbours.

We ask for all of these things in Jesus' name. Amen

## **Storey's Way Housegroup**

'The Storey's Way housegroup begins again this coming Friday evening (19th October). The five sessions will be varied with much participation from the group. We open with the work of the Holy Spirit and go on to explore the Spirit in baptism, in mission and in the events that lead to the first Christmas. The start time is still to be confirmed – ask Joy or Geoff.



## **"A Faith to Live By" at Haslingfield Methodist Church – next Sunday**

This series of special services continues next Sunday evening (21st October), when guest speaker Revd. Dr. Stuart Bell addresses the topic "Faith in Conflict: why didn't the Great War undermine Britain's faith in God?" It starts at 6pm (the start time has been brought forward by half an hour from previously), and there will be a short time of worship, the address, refreshments, and a time for questions and discussion.

Stuart will explore the impact of the First World War on the faith of the people of Britain and will argue that the history of Britain's experiences in 1914-18 cannot be properly understood unless the significance of religion is taken more seriously than many modern writers seem able and willing to do.

Stuart is a Methodist minister, currently serving as the superintendent minister of the Nottingham (Trent Valley) Circuit. After teaching computing for seven years he trained for ordained ministry at Wesley House. Since then he has gained an MTh in Applied Theology at Oxford and was awarded a PhD from Birmingham. He has a particular interest in faith in conflict and has published several book chapters on the topic, along with a monograph based on his PhD thesis entitled "Faith in Conflict: The impact of the Great War on the faith of the people of Britain."

As there is no service at Castle Street that evening, we are offering lifts from Cambridge to Haslingfield (and back). Cars will need to depart at 5.30pm – if you would like a lift, please let one of the stewards know.

The next FtLB service will be on Sunday 11th November, and the service planned for Castle Street that evening has already been cancelled as several people have expressed an interest in attending. Again, lifts will be available. Haslingfield is trying to organise the FtLB services for the third Sunday evening of the month, but that is not always possible.

## **Cambridge Churches Homelessness Project**

The October *Castle View* contains an article about the CCHP, which we shall be hosting again on Wednesday nights from December. If you're able to volunteer to help (again), please contact Alison or Ank soon... New volunteers are always wanted, and especially people who know our building and are able to stay overnight. The dates and venues of training sessions (compulsory for new volunteers, but those involved previously are also welcome to attend as a "refresher") are also listed in *Castle View*, and appeared on recent notice sheets.



## **District Event in Downham Market next Saturday**

A special event will take place on Saturday (20th October) at Downham Market Methodist Church, Paradise Road (PE38 9JE) to recognise and welcome the Deaf Church as part of the Methodist Church in East Anglia. Worship will be in English and BSL, and will be led by District Chair, Revd. Julian Pursehouse; the guest preacher will be Sue Whalley. It starts at 3pm, and will be followed by a buffet tea. The district newsletter is available on-line – visit <http://fliphtml5.com/kevr/loth>.



## **"Let there be Light" charity concert next Saturday (20th October), 7.30pm**

Organised by and in support of the overseas disability charity CBM UK, this concert at St. Paul's Church, Hills Road will showcase local musicians Cambridge Chord Company, Stellar Acappella and Prime Brass Cambridge. Tickets can be obtained from [www.ticketsource.co.uk](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk) (search for "Let there be light"), and cost £10. There will be refreshments and a raffle. For more information, contact Jacqueline Atkinson at CBM UK (e-mail: [jacquelinea@cbmuk.org.uk](mailto:jacquelinea@cbmuk.org.uk)).



## **Wednesday Strength and Balance Exercise Class**

This will be cancelled on Wednesday 24th October.

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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