

## CASTLE STREET METHODIST CHURCH

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# **Sunday 4th November 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 4th Nov 10.45 MORNING WORSHIP

Prof. Judith Lieu

Bible readings: Ruth 1: 1-22 (page 229); Mark 12: 28-34 (page 47)

18.30 EVENING WORSHIP WITH HOLY COMMUNION Rev. Charles Lungu

We pray... for dearly missed friends and family

Wed 7th Nov 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 8th Nov 10.00-12.00 "First Friends" baby and toddler group

Sun 11th Nov 10.45 ALL-AGE MORNING WORSHIP

(Remembrance Sunday) Rev. Alison Walker

18.00 "A FAITH TO L,IVE BY" SERVICE

at Haslingfield (see also overleaf)

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

### Next Sunday evening - "A Faith to Live By" at Haslingfield

Next Sunday evening, we shall join with Haslingfield Methodist Church for the second of their special "Faith to Live By" services related to the World War I. The speaker is Dr. Caitriona McCartney, and she will talk about "Faith in British Sunday Schools during the First World War".

The First World War has been portrayed as the war that "killed" God. An examination of letters, articles, and documents written by those who lived through the conflict tells a very different story. Many of those who served on the fighting front turned to the faith that had been primarily formed at Sunday School. It was this faith that comforted and guided many of those serving in the most difficult of circumstances. This presentation aims to explore how Sunday Schools shaped the faith of those fighting and gave them "a faith to live by".

Caitriona is a historian of childhood, war, and religion. She recently gained her PhD at the University of Durham under the supervision of Canon Prof. Michael Snape, her thesis being entitled "British Sunday Schools in the Era of the First World War: 1900-1939". She also completed her BA(Hons) in War Studies and MA in the History of Warfare at the University of Birmingham.

The service starts at 6pm (not as shown in the November *Castle View*), and we are again offering lifts from (and back to) Castle Street, with cars departing at 5.30pm. If you would like a lift (or could offer one), please add your name to the list on the noticeboard in the foyer. The service will comprise a short time of worship (Caitriona's father, a Methodist Local Preacher in Barrow-in-Furness, will lead part of this), the presentation, refreshments and time for discussion. There will be a retiring collection.

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"Remembrance and Winter Warmers" concert at Orwell, this afternoon A concert of two halves – remembering those who gave their lives for us, and music to make you feel warm as the nights draw in – at Orwell Methodist Church this nafternoon (Sunday 4th November), starting at 4pm. The concert is suitable for the whole family. Pieces will include *Tipperary*, a selection from *My Fair Lady*, *Highland Cathedral*, *Grand Father's Clock*, and *Take 5*. Free entry, but donations to Orwell Methodist Church.

Haslingfield Methodist Church Charity Fair – Saturday 10th November

This is next Saturday, between 11am and 2.30pm. Fifteen charities will have stalls selling Christmas gifts – jewellery, cakes, preserves, sweets, cushions, hand-made gifts, and Christmas cards. There will be children's activities, and a display of hand-crocheted and knitted poppies, in remembrance of all those who gave up their lives in the Great War. Bring along an item for the foodbank or a filled shoebox for Operation Christmas Child. Refreshments will be available, including light lunches.

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#### Poppy display at Toft Methodist Church next weekend

Commemorating the centenary of the Great War Armistice, there will be a display using hundreds of poppies made by the Simple Sewing, Knit and Natter group at Toft Methodist Church. It's open on Saturday (10th November) from 10am to 12.30pm and 2pm to 4.30pm, and then again on Sunday (11th November) from 10am to 11am and 2pm to 4.30pm. There will be coffee and cake on the Saturday morning in aid of the Royal British Legion, and a craft stall for the Rosa Charity which aims to give equality and justice to women and young girls in the UK (to celebrate 100 years since women were given the vote).

**Sunday 25th November – united morning worship with Yeolim Church** Following last year's joint service with our Korean friends, plans are almost finalised for the next. It will start at 11am, and be followed by a bring-and-share lunch – there will be a sign-up sheet for offers of food.

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## Forthcoming events elsewhere

The November issue of *Castle View* – available today – has more details of these events, plus some appeared on last week's notice sheet.

- Methodist Women in Britain Quiet Day at Mildenhall, Sat 17th Nov: numbers are limited, and bookings need to be made by 7th November contact Pauline (e-mail: pauline *dot* west8 *at* gmail *dot* com).
- "An Evening with Dave Bilborough" at Royston, Sat 17th Nov.
- "To Sound the Depths of Love Divine" at Wesley House, Sat 1st Dec: one-day workshop on the arts, spirituality and the Christian imagination. Booking essential places are free, but limited in number.

#### "Science Meets Faith" at Wesley Methodist Church

The next in this series of lectures takes place on Monday 12th November, when Dr. Stephen Barclay, Senior Lecturer at the Department of Public Health and Primary Care, School of Clinical Medicine, University of Cambridge, will address "Issues Concerning Palliative and End of Life Care". It starts at 7.45pm, with refreshments from 7.15pm.

Stephen Barclay works clinically as a Cambridge General Practitioner and hospice Honorary Consultant. He has worked in Palliative Care research for over twenty years, undertaking studies on General Practitioner and District Nurse provision of care, end of life care conversations and advance care planning, decisions to stop treatment in advanced disease and medical student education in Palliative Care. In 2011 he was appointed University Senior Lecturer in General Practice and Palliative Care at the University of Cambridge, where he leads a multidisciplinary research group. He leads the teaching of Palliative Care in the School of Clinical Medicine, which is now a significant part of the clinical course and is regularly examined in Finals exams. He is Clinical Lead for End of Life Care for the Cambridge and Peterborough Clinical Commissioning Group.

Palliative and End of Life Care arose in large part from Christian principles of care, encapsulated in Dame Cicely Saunders' words "You matter because you are; you matter to the end of your life". He will discuss the opportunities and challenges for contemporary Palliative Care: an ageing population increasingly approaching the end of their lives with multiple medical conditions and frailty; resource constraints in health and social care; inequalities in current hospice care provision; public fears over the use of morphine and related drugs; and growing public expectations of autonomy and control towards the end of life, including assisted dying. The rhetoric-reality gap of current Palliative and End of Life Care provision will be presented.

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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