



CASTLE STREET METHODIST CHURCH

Where all are welcome – all the time

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Sunday 17th March 2019

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 usually served in the hall after Sunday services – do stay for a chat over a cuppa and a biscuit.

Sun 17th Mar

10.45 MORNING WORSHIP

Rev Hankyu Kim

Bible readings: *Genesis 15: 1-12, 17-18 (page 11)*
Luke 13: 31-35 (page 73)

19.00 IONA SERVICE at St Luke's

Prayer topic: *for God's church everywhere*

Mon 18th Mar

19.30 Finance and Property Committee

Wed 20th Mar

10.00 "Time to Be" prayer and fellowship

10.30-12.00 Coffee morning

12.00-13.00 Strength and balance exercise class

Thu 21st Mar

10.00-12.00 "First Friends" baby and toddler group

Fri 22nd Mar 19.45 for 20.00 Lent course: "Caring for Creation" (see overleaf)

Sun 24th Mar

10.00 Simple Prayer Time

10.45 MORNING WORSHIP WITH HOLY COMMUNION

Rev Alison Walker

18.30 EVENING WORSHIP

Jim Taylor

The Methodist Church



We are a
FAIRTRADE
church

Welcome to Castle Street Methodist Church!

If you are worshipping with us for the first time, please make yourself known to one of the stewards and pick up a welcome leaflet. All people of this church are part of the ministry, led by the Revd Alison Walker who may be contacted electronically via the church website or by telephone on (01223) 872 862.

Our church magazine ***Castle View*** contains more details of events taking place each month – please pick up a copy of the latest issue.

There is a **Prayer Request** book at the back of the church, which is used during services and at prayer meetings – but remember it is on display for anyone in the church to read, so please respect the privacy of those concerned and avoid including names and other personal details unless specifically requested.

“A Faith to Live By” – tonight at Haslingfield Methodist Church

The next in this series of services will be with Revd Hankyu Kim (a research student at Wesley House, and our preacher at Castle Street this morning – not Pastor Kim of the Keolim Church: sorry for the confusion!), who will talk about the meeting of Korean Spirituality and Christianity, Bible, prayer, nationalism and evangelism. Revd Hankyu Kim worked in the Korean Methodist Church for around ten years as a minister following his ordination in 2006, and is now studying the Methodist mission in Northern Ghana.

While Asia is mostly stony ground for Christianity, Korean Christianity is particularly striking. In the 1990s for example, twenty-three Korean churches were among the fifty biggest churches in the world. The characteristics of Korean Christianity are also very distinctive such as a strong tradition of early morning prayer meetings and of energetic evangelism. In his talk, Revd Hankyu Kim will briefly present the history of Korean Christianity and its essential characteristics from a viewpoint of how Christianity has been contextualised in Korean culture since the end of nineteenth century.

As usual, there will be a short time of worship, a presentation, refreshments and discussion. It starts at 6pm. If anyone would like transport to and from Haslingfield for this event, please speak to a steward.

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## Growing your Leaders Day – next Saturday (23rd March)

Details of this fun and interactive day to help young people begin a journey into leadership can be found in the March *Castle View*. It's aimed at young people in years 6, 7 and 8 at school, and is taking place at All Saints' Hall, Milton.

## **Lent course: “Caring for Creation” – Friday evenings, 7.45pm for 8pm**

This week’s session, the third in the series of five, is entitled “The Age of Humans”. It will consider how we human beings with our god-like powers can still undo some of the terrible damage we have done and are doing to the planet. More about the who course can be found in *Castle View*. The course is also running at Toft Methodist Church on Wednesday mornings at 10am for 10.15amm (this week is the second session, with the topic discussed at Castle Street last Friday) and at Haslingfield Methodist Church on Sunday evenings (not tonight) at 6pm (with next Sunday being the third session).

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Methodist Women in Britain East Anglia District Day: “The Sound of Silence”

This is taking place on Thursday 28th March at Dereham Methodist Church, starting at 11am (coffee from 10am) and finishing at 3.30pm. It will be led by Mrs Judith Lampard.

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## **Travel Talk and Supper at St Luke’s – correct date is Saturday 6th April**

There has been some confusion over the date of the third and last of this year’s Saturday evening travel talks at St Luke’s, “In the Footsteps of Livingstone: a Journey to Malawi”, with Paul and Angela Gibbs: the wrong date initially appeared on the Church at Castle website, and also in the March *Castle View*. The correct date is Saturday 6th April (not next Saturday, 23rd March). Other details shown in *Castle View* are, however, correct. Tickets are also available from Heather, priced £10.

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“Y-Pray?” – 3rd to 5th May at The Hayes Conference Centre

This is a conference for women who are interested in exploring prayer creatively, and is especially aimed at those who have not previously participated in such conferences or the (Women’s) World Day of Prayer. It runs from Friday evening (3rd May) to after lunch on Sunday (5th May), and The Hayes Conference Centre is at Swanwick in Derbyshire. The programme includes worship, bible study and creative prayer, plus more light-hearted activities and the chance to find out what WDP is all about. The cost is £125 per person, which includes en suite accommodation and all meals. For more information and to book, visit www.wwdp.org.uk/y-pray-2019-3/. Methodist Women in Britain is providing bursaries: visit mwib.org.uk/index.php/prayer-and-worship/ and follow the link.

Items for next Sunday’s notice sheet should be sent to **Brian Carter**, by Friday evening.

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