



CASTLE STREET METHODIST CHURCH

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Sunday 20th October 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 20th Oct	10.45 MORNING WORSHIP – CHURCH ANNIVERSARY Rev Dr Jonathan Dean <i>Bible readings: Isaiah 49: 1-6 (p. 622); Luke 9: 43 - 10: 3a (p. 67)</i> 12.30 Bring-and-share lunch 19.00 IONA SERVICE at St Luke's <i>Prayer topic: for our journey to combat slavery</i>
Wed 23rd Oct	10.00 "Time to Be" prayer and fellowship 10.30-12.00 Coffee morning 18.45 for 19.30 "Table Talk" (<i>see overleaf</i>)
Thu 24th Oct	10.00-12.00 "First Friends" baby and toddler group 18.00 Open Bible Discussion Group
Fri 25th Oct	19.30 Storey's Way Housegroup (<i>see overleaf</i>)
Sun 27th Oct	10.45 MORNING WORSHIP WITH HOLY COMMUNION Rev Alison Walker 18.30 EVENING WORSHIP Valu Bullen

Note: There is no Wednesday Exercise Class this week.

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” at Haslingfield Methodist Church – tonight at 6pm

The speaker at the first of this year’s “Faith to Live By” services will be Revd Dr Brian Beck, who will ask “What’s the use of John Wesley’s sermons? Let’s be honest – do they have any real value in this modern age?” Brian is a former President of the Methodist Conference and a former Principal of Wesley House, and regularly leads worship here at Castle Street.

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### **“Table Talk” – Wednesday evenings**

“Table Talk” continues this week with the second session of the course “Time to Talk of God”. A reminder that, in order to avoid clashing with the CCHP training evening we are hosting, there will be no Table Talk on 30th October and dates after this week are pushed back by a week from what was originally advertised:

- 23rd Oct: Week 2 – “A Listening God”
- 6th Nov: Week 3 – “A Caring God”
- 13th Nov: Week 4 – “A Speaking God”
- 20th Nov: Week 5 – “Jesus as our Teacher and Model”

Those who wish, meet at 6.45pm for a simple cooked meal; tea and coffee are served at 7.30pm as the discussion gets underway. Finishing time is 9pm, so that clearing up can be finished by 9.30pm. If you’re coming for the meal, please sign up on the Doodle poll at <https://tinyurl.com/Table-Talk-Oct19>, or contact Alison.

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Talking of God Together book

Copies of this book, being used by this term’s Table Talk, were distributed three weeks ago – but they ran out. The additional copies we ordered have now arrived; please collect yours from Denise.

Storey's Way Housegroup – restarts this week

The Storey's Way Housegroup resumes on Friday (25th October) at 7.30pm, the first of four sessions. John Boocock will open this session by sharing experiences of how people have helped him on his faith journey and others are invited to share their own experiences. We are looking at the impact of others who accompany us and inspire us on our faith journeys. On 8th November, Nick Dale, who has special needs, and his mother, Joyce, will give an input on disability, and Eileen Harrison, who in earlier years worked with Nick, will contribute. In this session we will be looking at the theology of "wholeness" and the part faith plays in this. Nick will be sharing his faith journey.

In the third session on 22nd November, the first week of Advent, the group will share their rich and diverse wartime experiences and the part faith played. We all live with the legacy of war and wars continue. We will look at how faith and war interconnect today. Our Christmas Celebration will take place on 13th December (three weeks later), with readings and carols round the tree and a sharing of festive food. Speak to Joy and Geoff for more information.

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### **CCHP training evenings**

A reminder that all volunteers involved with the Cambridge Churches Homelessness Project this year – including those who have helped before – are required to attend one of the training evenings. The dates and venues are:

- Wed 30th Oct at Castle Street Methodist Church at 7.30pm
- Fri 1st Nov at the Community Centre at OLEM at 8pm
- Mon 4th Nov at Christ Church at 7.30pm
- Tue 12th Nov at St Barnabas' Church at 7.30pm
- Thu 14th Nov at Great St Mary's Church at 7.30pm

Doors open and refreshments will be served half an hour before the start time.

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Wesley Centenary Lecture – Monday 28th October at 7.45pm

Details of this lecture, given by Prof Dame Sally Davies, UK Chief Medical Officer, can be found in the October *Castle View*.

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### **"Cambridge Fireside"**

"Cambridge Fireside" restarted earlier this month. and meets at Wesley Methodist Church on Tuesday afternoons, starting at 2.45pm. The next meeting will be on Tuesday 5th November, when Honor Ridout will talk about "Glimpses of Cambridge you might have missed". This illustrated talk picks up some of the traces of Cambridge history, high and low, that you might simply walk past.

## **Friends of Cam Sight fundraising lecture – Tuesday 29th October**

Prof Sir Colin Humphreys, CBE, FEng, FRS will give a talk on “Graphene: the new wonder material – but will it change the world?” It’s being held at the Department of Material Science and Metallurgy, Charles Babbage Road, CB3 0FS, and starts at 7.30pm. Prof Humphreys is Director of Research at the Department of Materials Science and Metallurgy.

Tickets can be booked via the Cam Sight website ([www.camsight.org.uk](http://www.camsight.org.uk) – a direct link is <https://tinyurl.com/CamSight-GrapheneTalk>), where there is also more information. A suggested donation is £15, which includes wine and canapés.

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Creating Safer Space Advanced Module training dates

The next set of training dates in the East Anglia District have been announced. The advanced course is compulsory for Church Safeguarding Officers; local preachers; worship leaders; and all those in paid employment or a voluntary role which includes leadership and involves direct work with children, youth or vulnerable adults. Those attending must have already completed the Foundation Module. Each session lasts four hours. Confirmed dates and venues are:

- Tues 12th Nov, 13.00 at Great Holland Methodist Church, Essex
- Wed 13th Nov, 09.30 at Thorpe Marriott Methodist Church, Norwich
- Thurs 28th Nov, 09.30 at Wimpole Road Methodist Church, Colchester
- Sat 30th Nov, 09.30 at Soham Methodist Church
- Fri 13th Dec: 09.30 at Haverhill Methodist Church
- Mon Dec 16th: 11.00 at Thorpe Bay Methodist Church, Essex

The following dates are confirmed for early 2020, but the times and actual venues are not yet: Sat 11th Jan (HAEBEA); Mon 13th Jan (Lowestoft); Wed 29th Jan (Acle); Mon 3rd Feb (St Albans); Mon 10th Feb (Cambridge); Tue 25th Feb (North Beds); Fri 6th Mar (Hemel Hempstead); Sat 14th Mar (Thetford); Mon 16th Mar (Basildon); Tue 24th Mar (Central Norfolk); Sat 4th Apr (Bishop’s Stortford); Tue 21st April (St Neots); Tue 28th Apr (Stevenage).

Places at each are limited to thirty, and booking is essential (via Eventbrite) – visit https://css_advanced_module_east_of_england_region.eventbrite.co.uk.

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## **Items for the November *Castle View*...**

... should be with its editor, Kirk (e-mail: [kzirk1989 at icloud dot com](mailto:kzirk1989@icloud.com)), by Wednesday (23rd October) please.

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Items for next Sunday’s notice sheet should be sent to **Brian Carter** by 6pm on Tuesday.

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