

For your diary

Sun 4 June (Pentecost) : 10.30am Service followed at about 11.45am by a short Pentecost Communion Service. Organist: Julian Warren. Bring & Share Lunch. 6.30pm. Service of mindful meditation.

Wed 7 June : 7.30 for 8pm. Evening conversation taking up the theme of the previous Sunday's address.

Fri 9 June : 7.30. Cambridge Buddhist Society event: Dhamma talk/discussion with Ajahn Kusalo, Abbot of Bodhinyanarama Monastery, Wellington, New Zealand. (More details overleaf)

Sun 11 June : 10.30am Service. Organist: John Dilistone. 6.30pm. Service of mindful meditation.

Wed 14 June : 7.30 for 8pm. Evening conversation taking up the theme of the previous Sunday's address.

Sat 17 June : 8pm : Songs of Unity - songs of hope and love in memory of Jo Cox. Profits from this concert will go to charity following guidance from 'The Great Get Together' <https://greatgettogether.org> and Joanna has chosen www.people-in-motion.co.uk who bring help and support to displaced people all over Europe. Tickets £10.
<http://www.joannaeden.net/concerts>

Sun 18 June : 10.30am Service. Pianist: Peter Shepherd. 6.30pm. Service of mindful meditation.

Wed 21 June: 12noon-2.30pm. Lunch Club Offering companionship, good food and an opportunity to talk about a particular issue relevant to the well-being and happiness of retired people or those planning retirement. The theme for 2017 is : *Do we, as older individuals, still have a place in the future?* A donation of around £3 is suggested to cover the cost of the meal. Contact: 01480 432284.

Please note - there will be no Lunch Club during July and August.

Sun 25 June : 10.30am Service. Organist: John Dillistone. 6.30pm. Service of mindful meditation.

Sun 2 July: 10.30am Service. Organist: Julian Warren. Bring & Share Lunch after the morning service. 6.30pm. Service of mindful meditation.

Accessibility Project

The church committee is happy to tell you that Wren landfill fund have confirmed their grant of £44,001 which means that our project can definitely go ahead in the summer. Work will start Monday 3 July and finish by Monday 4 September.



WREN is a not-for-profit business that awards grants for community, biodiversity and heritage projects from funds donated by FCC Environment through the Landfill Communities Fund and Scottish Landfill Communities Fund.

We've already spent around £17,000 from our own church's resources, but anticipate a shortfall of about £8500. So we are appealing to members and friends of the church to consider making a contribution to this very good cause.

Please speak to Shirley about how to donate. If you use online banking, you may find it useful to have details of the church's bank account:

Name of Account: Unitarian Church Cambridge
Sort code: 40-52-40

Account number: 00060218

Please remember to Gift Aid your contribution.

During July and August the Hall and Common Room will be unavailable for bookings and events. But on Sundays during July and August services will take place in the church. Coffee will be served in the church during the summer. Temporary toilet facilities will be available (a portaloo) and there will be a safe walking route through the building site for access to the church kitchen and Andrew Brown's study.

Andrew Brown writes: *Our buildings are very much part of the wider ministry of the church in that they are a resource, not just for ourselves, but the wider local community. Over the seventeen years of my ministry here I've become increasingly aware that many users, particularly older folk, parents with pushchairs and wheelchair users, find our buildings both difficult to get into and the toilet facilities less than adequate. That this is soon to be put right should be a matter of considerable joy to us all and I hope you will join me in thanking profusely all those in the congregation who have put so much hard and sometimes very difficult and onerous work into the fund-raising and planning required, particularly Shirley Fieldhouse and Rosemary Watson.*

Storytelling for Children and Families

In the autumn we will be welcoming the excellent local story-teller Marion Leeper into our midst on three Sunday mornings (24 Sept, 22 Oct and 3 Dec) to offer our parents and children not only some folk-stories but also some insights into story-telling itself. If this initiative proves to be at all popular then we'll begin to talk about how we might make something like this a regular feature in our monthly calendar.

Andrew Brown

Summer social events

Sat 10 June : 7-10.30pm (in the church hall). Daniel Cooper invites members and friends of our church to his birthday party. Compere for the evening will be the poet Johnny Marvel. The poet Jeremy Graham will be performing in the 'WordSpoke' section of the evening. It's a drop in event, so please come for as much or as little of the evening as you like. It would be great if those attending could bring along alcohol, soft drinks and food (but it's not compulsory).

Sun 11 June : approx 12.30pm on Jesus Green. Mark's birthday party picnic, to which everyone is invited. Bring some food and drink, and something to sit on would be a good idea.

Sat 8 July : 3-5pm. Summer tea party at Jerry and Caroline's (in Histon)

Sat 12 August : 3-5pm. Summer tea party at Tony and Katie's (in Huntingdon)

Would anyone like to volunteer to host a tea party during September? Please get in touch with Brendan to discuss possible dates.

Bake Off

Cambridge Refugee Resettlement Campaign is planning a 'great bake off' fund raiser in aid of refugee work. This will be on Saturday 24 June in our church. Exact times still to be advertised but please make a note in your diary.

Cambridge Buddhist Society

The Cambridge Buddhist Society is arranging a Dhamma talk/discussion with Ajahn Kusalo, Abbot of the Bodhinyanarama Monastery, Wellington, New Zealand. It will be in our church on Friday 9 June 2017 starting 7:30pm

Ajahn Kusalo was ordained in 1992 and was a regular visitor to Cambridge whilst he was living at Amaravati.

The organiser, David Hall, writes: 'and to add, he's a witty, down to earth kiwi, who is very practical when offering spiritual advice. He'll probably offer a short talk to start us off but he prefers a question and answer session'.

<https://forestsangha.org>

<https://forestsangha.org/community/monasteries/bodhinyanarama>

http://www.dhammadigiri.org.au/a_jahn-kusalo-biography.html

About our church

This church belongs to a liberal Christian tradition which welcomes the loving, critical and enquiring spirit. It is founded upon an 'open trust' which imposes no doctrinal tests upon its minister or members. We meet in the spirit which is exemplified in the life and utterances of Jesus, for the worship of God and the service of humankind.

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