Cambridge Unitarians

Newsletter - November 2016

For your diary

Wed 2 Nov : 7.30 for 8pm. Conversation: a lively, open, non-judgemental discussion about matters of faith and meaning.

Fri 4 Nov: Freethinkers at Arts Picturehouse (time to be confirmed): 'I, Daniel Blake' film night with <u>Student Christian Movement</u> and <u>Anglia Ruskin Chaplaincy</u>.

Sun 6 Nov: 10.30am Service 'The fellow sufferer who understands: radical theology and mental health' with Susanna Hartland, Cambridge Unitarian Student Ministry Worker. Organist: Julian Warren.

Creche for children aged 2-8 in Common Room during service.

Bring & Share Lunch after service.
6.30pm. Service of mindful meditation.

Wed 9 Nov: 7.30pm. Freethinkers: 'The immorality of non-resistance' - a discussion of the liberal religious tradition and peace.

Sun 13 Nov: 10.30am Service for Remembrance Day led by Andrew Brown. Organist: John Dillistone. 6.30pm. Service of mindful meditation.

Wed 16 Nov : 7.30pm. Freethinkers : Liberal religion and radical democracy (speaker: Andrew Brown)

Sun 20 Nov: 10.30am Service led by Andrew Brown. Pianist: Peter Shepherd. 6.30pm. Service of mindful meditation.

Tue 22 Nov: 7.30pm. Freethinkers: We need not believe alike to love alike - an ecumenical discussion between Cambridge Christian leaders.

Wed 23 Nov: 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. A donation of around £3 is suggested to cover the cost of the meal. Contact: 01480 432284.

Wed 23 Nov : 7.30 for 8pm. Conversation: a lively, open, non-judgemental discussion about matters of faith and meaning.

Sun 27 Nov (Advent Sunday):

10.30am Service led by Andrew Brown. Organist: Hugh Taylor.

6.30pm. Service of mindful meditation.



Susanna
Hartland on our
student
ministry's stall
at Cambridge
University
Freshers Fair.



Our student ministry: the Freethinkers

As I hope you all know by now, we have recently appointed a member of the congregation, Susanna Hartland (who graduated from Cambridge University in last academic year after studying theology), to run and develop a student ministry for us here in Cambridge.

Given that we are a church in one of the most famous and influential university cities in England it seems both sensible and well worthwhile to attempt to start and sustain a Unitarian student ministry connected with this congregation and it has been given the highly appropriate name of 'The Freethinkers'. The funding for this full-time, one year post, is being shared 50/50 with the General Assembly of Unitarian and Free Christians and we are very grateful for their support in this initiative. Naturally, we are also very grateful to Susanna for all her creativity and hard work in getting this excellent project up and running.

If you are interested in knowing more about The Freethinkers then feel free to contact Susanna Hartland, the minister, or by exploring the following web links:

http://www.cambridgeunitarian.org/about/ student-ministry

https://www.facebook.com/cambridgeunitarianstudents/

https://twitter.com/FreethinkersCam

email: studentministry@cambridgeunitarian.org

Andrew Brown

Cambridge Jazz Festival

Twelve days of Jazz in Cambridge with several events taking place in our church. Full details and online booking at www.cambridgejazzfestival.info

Fri 18 Nov. 7.30-9pm. Kate Williams: Four + Three (Tickets £15/£12).

Sat 19 Nov. 7.30-9.30pm. Simon Borwn Quintet 'Beyond Canteloupe' (£10/£8).

Wed 23 Nov. 6.30-8pm. Dee Byrne's Entropi (£8/£6).

Sat 26 Nov. 2-3.30pm.RipRap Poetry & Dance with Jazzman John Clarke & Laura Brera (£10/£8).

Sun 27 Nov. 1.30-2.30pm and 3-4pm. Two events for children and families. Sara Mitra & Magic Box - a Magical Musical Storybox (£12/£5/£3).

Church Membership

We are very pleased to welcome Ben Grey as a member of the church.

Volunteers needed

If you'd be willing serve coffees after the morning service, set out table and clear up after bring & share lunches, give the opening prayers or readings during the morning services, speak to Tony Burns.

December Bring & Share Lunch is on Sunday **18th** Dec (not Sunday 4th)

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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Welcome the Stranger : Tue 15 Nov 7-9pm

Lord Ashcroft Building, Anglia Ruskin University, East Road, Cambridge



Cambridge City of Sanctuary, Cambridge Inter-Faith Group and <u>Anglia Ruskin University</u> <u>Chaplaincy</u> invite you to an event to explore what a range of faith traditions have to say in their writings or scriptures about 'Welcome the Stranger'.

Speakers from a range of local faith groups, students and the universities. Stalls and information about what is being done in Cambridge to help refugees. Each participant is invited to bring a contribution for the next convoy to France. To find out what items are suggested, please visit https://cambridge.cityofsanctuary.org/

https://cambridge.cityofsanctuary.org/cambridge-cos-faiths-group

Exhibition: 21 Nov-7 Jan at Michaelhouse

John Dillistone, one of our organists, is putting on an exhibition of the work of his Hills Road 'Painting without Boundaries' evening class students. Open 8am-5pm Mon-Sat.

Children's Activities

Creche for children aged 2-8 in the Common Room during the morning services on 6 November and 18 December.

Minister: Andrew J Brown 01223 576952 minister@cambridgeunitarian,org http://andrewjbrown.blogspot.com @caute

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Minister Emeritus: Frank Walker

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Creche Leader: Marijke Janssens

Hall Bookings: Sue Tombs 01223 338543 roombookings@cambridgeunitarian.org

Welcome to the Stranger



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and

Anglia Ruskin University Chaplaincy

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Tuesday November 15th 7.00-9.00 p.m.

The Lord Ashcroft Building, Anglia Ruskin University,
East Road, Cambridge (most easily accessed from Broad Street at
the east side of the campus)

Stalls and Information about what is being done to help refugees in Cambridge (please bring information about events you know of, and if you would like a stall let us know on camfaithsofsanctuary@gmail.com)

The Event will be chaired by the Rt. Revd. David Thomson, Bishop of Huntingdon

Speakers will be from a range of local faith groups and students in

the city and the universities.

EACH PARTICIPANT IS INVITED TO BRING A CONTRIBUTION FOR THE NEXT CONVOY TO FRANCE. PLEASE WATCH OUR WEBSITE TO FIND OUT WHAT ITEM WE SUGGEST NEARER TO THE TIME

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It would help us to know numbers if you can book on Eventbrite, but don't worry if not – come along anyway. All Welcome! https://www.eventbrite.com/e/welcome-to-the-stranger-tickets-28722451626