# **BISHOP STREET METHODIST CHURCH**

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SUNDAY 1<sup>st</sup> March 2020 10.45am Morning Service led by Clive Marsh Lectionary Reading for Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> March Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7 Psalm 32 Romans 5:12-19 Matthew 4:1-11



Wednesday midweek service at 1.00pm each week.

	Stewards	Welcomers	Refreshments
Rota			
1 <sup>st</sup> Mar	Peter Chitsenga / Hope Ncube	Volunteer needed	Volunteer needed

## **Organist: Martin Briers**

Flowers: The flowers have been arranged by Anne Doblander. This week we remember Mrs Sharpe, the mother of Mary Roberts

## World Day of Prayer 2020.

11:00 Praying with Zimbabwe. Friday 6th March 2020 at St. Margaret's Church, St Margaret Street (opposite the bus station). Refreshments served after the service.

CHURCH CALENDAR						
MARCH 2020						
5 <sup>th</sup> March 2020 12:30-1pm <b>1st Thursday prayers</b> at St Margaret's Church, St Margarets Way						



10.45am Sunday Services for Lent and Easter 2020 hat's the Stor First Sunday in Lent: Mor by bread alone, but by every of God. Not by bread alone, but by every led by Prof Clive Marsh (Matthew 4 v1-11)

**CONCERT at Christ Church URC**, Dumbleton Avenue, LE3 2FS. on Saturday 14th March at 7.30pm the Chantry Choir, accompanied on the organ by Stephen Moore, Director of Music at Llandaff Cathedral, will be performing John Stainer's 'Crucifixion'. This will follow a first half of music by Mendlessohn, Bach, Elgar and Rutter. Tickets priced £10 available from Robin Stevenson, or on the door

A Taste of India THURSDAY 2nd APRIL, BHARAT PATEL, a local Television celebrity with more than 30 years' experience of making documentaries for BBC and ITV will be presenting tales from his Autobiography and enlightening us with his journey from India to Africa to the United Kingdom. Bharat will also be whetting our appetites with recipes from the Gujarat and we will be feasting on a glorious Indian Buffet prepared by our authentic Indian Cooks, who also happen to be regular volunteers in the Hub Café. 7.00pm the venue is The Hub Café, the price is £10.00 per person and all profits, including the proceeds from Bharat's book will be going to Hope for Cancer charity. A wonderful evening in store, so please book your tickets early (maximum 30 people). Booking through Keith Baker, 0116 2693440.

**ROTA for March: Please sign up on the ROTA SHEET** as a welcomer or refreshments volunteer. Thank you

	Led by	Stewards	Welcomers	Refreshments
Rota	-			
8 <sup>th</sup>	Richard Gill	Volunteer	Volunteer	Volunteer
Mar		needed	needed	needed
15 <sup>th</sup>	Rev. Fran	Mary Gill	Volunteer	Volunteer
March	Rhys (HC)	-	needed	needed

### **REGULAR ACTIVITIES**

MINISTER: Rev. Fran Rhys is generally in the Church Office on Wednesdays, 10.00-3.00pm. Feel free to drop in to see her, and perhaps come along to 1.00pm prayers. Phone/email (see front) to confirm a particular time or to arrange a different day to meet. Lunchtime Prayers: 1.00pm on Mondays and Wednesday in the prayer corner. Communion is the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday monthly THE CHAPEL CAFÉ: The Café is open 10.00-4.00 on weekdays and

10.00-3.00 on Saturdays. Call in often, and tell your friends.

**OPEN CHURCH in the Barrett Room: Mondays 11.30am-1.00pm.** followed by prayers in the Church prayer corner at 1.00. 'A Listening Ear': Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays, available through the Chapel Cafe between 11am and 12.30. A church member trained in listening skills, will be in the café during these times.
Thursday Bible Study and discussion in the Church at 12.00 noon.
'In Stitches' Knitting and Needlecraft. Get together to work on your projects and have a chat. Fridays, 10.30-12.45 in the café.
Churches Together in Leicester City Centre: First Thursday Prayers: 12.30pm 5<sup>th</sup> March is at St Margarets Church

**Job Opportunity:** Pilgrim's Friend Society is looking for an experienced Christian business manager to ensure the smooth business function of a recently refurbished 31-bed residential Christian care home. The role is full time (40 hours per week) with on call requirement. The salary range is £33,000-£36,000.

jobs.pilgrimsfriend.org.uk email HR@pilgrimsfriend.org.uk or call 0300 303 8412. The closing date is Monday, 9 March 2020.

**Church Vision Planning:** Please keep free the morning of Saturday 2nd May 10 - 1.30pm.

All church members have been invited to Dee's home in Bushby for a vision planning morning. Speak to one of the stewards or to Fran if you would like a lift from church, leaving at 9.30am.

**Prayers:** Please remember in your prayers the family of Sophia, since her granddaughter (also named Sophia) has tragically died. May she rest in peace, and rise in glory.

Wonder week at DMU: This was a week full of events. We had prayer meetings, lunchtime talks and evening events every day. It was a great week with loads of opportunities for us to talk to non-Christians and share God's word with our fellow students. Together with the University of Leicester CU, we were able to tell about 300 students the good news of Jesus Christ!

### Prayer requests from the Christian Union at De Montfort University:

• For all the students that came to the Wonder week, that they will keep attending our events and be able to see God's love and open up their hearts for God.

• For our weekly meetings (Prayer meeting and CU central) that we will keep on seeing the freshers that have been coming and be able to develop friendships with them, helping each other grow spiritually.

• For the Mark Drama - an event we are putting on in March where non-Christians will be able to encounter Jesus through a dramatized version of the Gospel of Mark. Please pray for the organizing and running of that event.

**Lent:** During Lent we will be collecting items for the Community of Grace : toilet rolls, washing-up liquid, and any sort of cleaning materials. Please bring them in and we will deliver them.