



BISHOP STREET METHODIST CHURCH

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through welcome, worship and mission.

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NOTICES for 13th June, 2021

Bible Month - June 2021 The Gospel of Mark is the focus for Bible Month this June, so that all preachers on Sundays will preach on Mark, using the helpful material specially prepared for this purpose. It's an initiative of the Methodist Church and the Leaders of Worship and Preachers Trust to focus every June on one particular book of the Bible. It's a useful way for the church community to deepen understanding of scripture and the commitment to sharing ideas and experience of that with others. In addition to reading the Gospel of Mark, you may like to send off for a copy of the '30 days with Mark' booklet for £4.50 (inc postage & packing) through www.preachweb.org/biblemonth or LWPT, Unit 14, Orbital 25 Business Park, Dwight Road, Watford, Herts, WD18 9DA, tel. 01923 231811. There are some pocket-sized Mark's Gospel at church. Please help yourself to one and take one to give to someone else.

Author of the '30 days with Mark' booklet, Keith Brower writes that we need to understand that Jesus' ministry is conducted in an occupied land, subdued and pacified by the Romans, probably just before the Roman destruction of the temple in Jerusalem in AD70. That destruction was in response to a large-scale Jewish rebellion. Trying to get on as best they can with their everyday lives, many Jews longed for the day when God would, once again, dwell in the midst of them. There's a consensus among scholars that the Gospel was written for a community in Rome but was read more widely around the Mediterranean area by followers of Christ, often at risk from different levels of persecution. Mark, its author, is a committed believer who thinks that the accounts of Jesus' life actually happened in Galilee and Judea – this is no pious fiction. So, get reading the Gospel (it's only 20 pages) and enjoy Bible Month and Mark's Gospel afresh!

This Sunday 13th June 10.45am is the second Sunday of Bible Month, with a focus on Mark 4:1 - 8:21 led by local preacher Richard Gill.

On-line Worship

Ongoing major problems with the broadband connection to Bishop Street mean that we can't provide an on-line, live Zoom link this week (and probably for a few weeks).

The Sunday service will be recorded and the basic video will be available on an unlisted Youtube link from late lunchtime on Sunday. If you would like to be sent the link to watch later on Sunday or in the week, please request this from Miriam (mcg9@le.ac.uk). We will also mount the link on the blog (see link below).

The service Richard Gill has prepared for us will be presented on the Sunday Stuff blog for worship at home by Sunday morning. <https://bishopstreetmethodistchurchsundaystuff.wordpress.com/>

You can take part in a live online Sunday service from Methodist Central Hall Westminster. Every Sunday 11.00am at <https://mchw.live>

These are links to current Sunday Morning Zoom worship in the Circuit

Oadby/ Great Glen/ Houghton section 10.30am

<https://zoom.us/j/99439153520?pwd=OFdLQ2dWb2ZkWmx3NXJ3cmdHYkpwUT09>

Meeting ID: 994 3915 3520

Passcode: 075510

Telephone 0208 080 6592

Birstall/ Rothley section 10.30am

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86491699343?pwd=aGJCWmdaUVBoMGg2aVpmanlLc1NLUT09>

Meeting ID: 864 9169 9343

Passcode: 155785

Wigston Magna/ Blaby / Countesthorpe section 10.30am

Meeting ID: 839 9997 4532

Pass code: 142656

Telephone: 0208 080 6592

The Sunday evening Circuit service on 13 June at 6pm will be led by Superintendent Rev. Paula Hunt. The link is given here, and the order of worship is attached.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87603771006?pwd=OTFSQ2JiL3hkWUp1NnU1b1ZiVDJudz09>

Meeting ID: 876 0377 1006

Passcode: 281338

If you wish to join by telephone, dial 0203 901 7895, and be ready to enter the Meeting ID and Passcode.

Bishop Street Methodist Church Sunday Stuff blog with worship resources

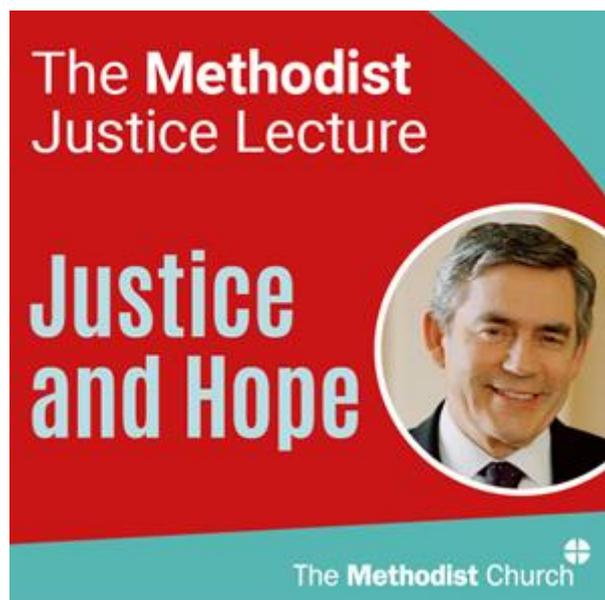
<https://bishopstreetmethodistchurchsundaystuff.wordpress.com/> for Sunday morning worship material, including hymns in the public domain via Youtube, and a recording of the Sunday service will be posted as soon as possible after the service.

Bible Study has resumed in the chapel on **Thursdays 12 to 1pm**. All are welcome to come and discuss the end of Matthew's Gospel, followed by the start of Mark's Gospel in subsequent weeks. There will be plenty of space and air between the participants.

The Chapel Cafe is open again, Monday - Saturday 10am – 3pm. The Cafe has introduced two new tables out of doors which have the best view of Town Hall Square of any cafe in the city! Masks are needed, until you are seated at a table. Table-service will be provided. Groups of up to six can gather at a table - or two households of any size.

Mid-week worship has resumed on Wednesdays between 1-1.30pm. The service will be led by Rev. Fran Rhys.

Walking with Micah, Sunday 13th June at 7pm



The Rt Hon Gordon Brown will give a lecture entitled *Justice and Hope* to mark the launch of the Walking With Micah project. Sign up to join this free online event.

In the face of Covid-19, the climate emergency and global inequality, where are justice and hope to be found? Former Prime Minister Gordon Brown will argue that change is possible and that people of faith have a role to play. All are welcome to join us for this event.

Methodist New

Check out the website with lots of new and interesting news methodist-news.org.uk

The Zinthiya Trust has been nominated to be part of the Asda Foundation brand new Green Token Giving. Check it out using this link [Asda Foundation Brand](#)



Hospital Care during the pandemic for patients at the end of their lives



Methodist Presbyterian and hospital chaplain Philip Turner features in a film about the impact on staff of caring for dying patients during the pandemic.

'See it My Way' hears from staff members at the Royal United Hospital Bath NHS Trust. Watch [here](#).

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