



BISHOP STREET METHODIST CHURCH

...serving people in Leicester City Centre (Reg. charity 1129068)
through welcome, worship and mission.

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NOTICES for 3rd October 2021

'So now Jesus and the ones he makes holy have the same Father. That is why Jesus is not ashamed to call them his brothers and sisters. For he said to God,

"I will proclaim your name to my brothers and sisters.

I will praise you among your assembled people" '.

Hebrews 2: 11-12.

Services for October

3rd October	LA led by Richard Gill
10th October	Rev Liam Dacre-Davies Holy Communion
17th October	LA led by Richard Gill
24th October	Rev Daniel Yovan
31st October	Miriam Stevenson/ Douglas Becku-Betts
7th November	Rev Liam Dacre-Davies Chapel Anniversary and Holy Communion
14th November	Remembrance Sunday LA with Alison Skinner and Mary Gill
21st November	Howard Smith
28th November	Rev Liam Dacre-Davies 1st Sunday in Advent

Church Meetings

Monday 4th October Worship Consultation by Zoom at 7.00pm.

Thursday 7th October CHURCH COUNCIL by Zoom at 7.00pm.

Prayer hand books

These are still available.

Could Pastoral Visitors arrange to post a copy out to anyone in their group who is unable to come to church. They can be brought to the church office for posting.

The Sunday morning 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).

<https://bishopstreetmethodistchurchsundaystuff.wordpress.com/>

The Chapel for Harvest Festival



Sunday Evening Circuit service at 6.00pm via Zoom - Leicester Trinity Methodist Circuit

- Oct 3 Rev. Derek McLean, minister in the Trinity Circuit
- Oct 10 Miriam Stevenson, local preacher in the Trinity Circuit
- Oct 17 Rev. Derek McLean, minister in the Trinity Circuit
- Oct 24 Rev. Daniel Yovan, Minister in the Trinity Circuit

<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.

Methodist Women in Britain. The next District event is on Saturday 2nd October 2021 from 10.00am to 3.30pm by Zoom. Led by Rev'd Helen Cameron, Chair of Northampton District.

This will be a day linking us with the church in Cameroon, including a conversation with Bishop Samuel Fonki and women church members.

Worship and Bible study will be shared and it will be a chance to get to know more about the life of the church in Cameroon.

To register please contact Mary Gill : richardandmarygill@gmail.com by Thursday 30th September and the Zoom link will be sent to you

Climate Action Leicester and Leicestershire Vigils- From September a silent vigil will be held at the Clock Tower on the 2nd Monday at 12-1.0pm and on the 4th Friday at 5.0 - 6.0pm. Please wear black or white.

Following up from our Climate Sunday Service we're so excited for the Nations' Climate Sunday Service on Sunday 5 September, live from Glasgow Cathedral. It's an opportunity to celebrate everything you have done as part of the Climate



Sunday movement, and everything churches across Britain and Ireland have committed to for the climate in the lead up to COP26

You can watch the Nations' Climate Sunday Service live online, from 3.30pm. Make sure you've booked through our Eventbrite to get the link sent straight to you.

Book your free online ticket here: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/nations-climate-sunday-service-churches-prepare-for-cop-26-tickets-165258230817>.

Upcoming Dates for Church council

Worship Consultation: Monday October 4, 7pm by Zoom

Pastoral Meeting: Sunday October 10, 12.30pm after the morning service.

Church Council: Thursday October 14, 7.30pm by Zoom

Afghan welcome appeal

After18 is a charity which supports unaccompanied young refugees in Leicester to rebuild their lives. We act as a consistent and trusted support base for young people to turn to whenever they need advice or support.

Currently our Afghan service users are contacting us to ask for help in the current crisis. We are assisting them in supporting their evacuated family members – mainly women, children and babies who are not part of any of the government schemes for Afghans.

They are arriving with nothing, so we are urgently appealing for donations to assist us with the costs of meeting their immediate and basic needs.

- **£20** would pay for a caseworker appointment to help complete essential paperwork.
- **£30** would pay for a maternity pack for a new mum.
- **£50** would pay for a support group session for older children.

Please donate to support us in welcoming Afghan refugees.
Go to www.after18.org.uk/support-us

Thank you!

Open Church hopes to reopen on Mondays from 11.30 - 1pm. So that it can open every Monday, we are looking for 2 more volunteers. It is basically a 'drop in' where a core of 6-8 people talk with each other and drink tea and coffee. The volunteer's role is to talk with people, and while Covid restrictions are around, to clean tables before and after the meeting and to serve drinks. The meeting is then followed by optional prayers in the church. If anyone is interested in joining the team, please contact me: margaretmackley@hotmail.com

Methodist News this Week

<https://methodist-news.org.uk/BVI-7JNCH-84CBE9659B8B9C065V64QH29073FDBD49A318B/cr.aspx>

Connexional Guidance on Covid and Property is now out. It advises a continued, cautious phased return, taking into consideration matters such as personal vulnerability, and it recommends the wearing of masks, limiting the number of hymns sung "when permitted", facilitating ventilation, and continuing track and trace records. A Risk assessment is still necessary. We're to consider retaining the reasonable safe practices for cafes when providing or distributing food and drink, such as after a service or other events. Coronavirus Guidance for Property (methodist.org.uk)

Donations Thank you for all your faithful and generous donations. Giving is at about 80% of what the Treasurer estimated would be received. Do check that your giving to the church is up to date, or consider making a small increase if possible. Envelopes are ready for collection from the church vestry. Please either send a cheque to the church's Gift Aid Officer, Tony Moore at 46 Holmfield Road Leicester LE2 1SA, or

make a BACS transfer to Bishop Street Methodist Church through our Cooperative Bank account - sort code 08-92-99 and account number 65242955. Alternatively you can go to the Church's website www.bishopstreetchurch.org.uk and look for the 'Donate' button on the Home page and donate with a debit or credit card.