BISHOP STREET METHODIST CHURCH



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

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NOTICES for 12th December 2021

"Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus". Philippians 4: 4-7.

SERVICES AND EVENTS FOR ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS

Advent 3 12th December Nativity service, Sincere Makunde

Thursday 16th December 1pm Christmas Organ Concert

Blue Christmas 17th Friday 6.30pm for those finding Christmas a struggle

Advent 4 19th December Carol Service

Sing Christmas Monday 20th December 7pm to 8pm in Town Hall Square:: https://www.singchristmas.org.uk/

Christmas Day, Saturday 25th 10am Richard Gill

Christmas Sunday/ Boxing Day 26th 10.45am informal worship, Miriam Stevenson

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/

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

ADVENT 2021: CLOTH FOR THE CRADLE

Today's service will include a Nativity Play and a Nativity Tableaux, prepared by the Sunday School.

ADVENT HYMN, WEEK 3

Chorus

Cloth for the cradle, Cradle for the Child, The Child for our every joy and sorrow; Find him a shawl that's woven by us all To welcome the Lord of each tomorrow.

1. Wrinkled or fair, carefree or full of care, Searchers of all the ages, Weave into one a welcome for the Son, The Saviour of shepherds and sages. Chorus
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ADVENT PRAYER

We watch and we wait for a glimpse of your glory, which weaves into our lives, and into this world, the beautiful mystery of your presence among us.

ALL: Come, Lord Jesus. Come.

EXHIBITION: Bible Yarns. The threads that connect us together. From Monday 22nd November to Sunday 12th December we will be hosting a craft exhibition in the Church depicting well-known Bible stories. There are dozens of knitted scenes, including recreations of The Last Supper and Adam and Eve and they are on tour across the country. The Chapel Café will be open for refreshments and lunches from Monday to Saturday, 10.00-4.00, throughout the exhibition. If you know anyone who would be interested in this, please encourage them to call in and have a look.



Carol requests If you have a favourite carol that you would like included in any of the Advent and Christmas services please let one of the stewards know. The Worship Team will try to include your choice.

Connexional Guidance on Covid and Property is now out <u>The Methodist News</u> please click the link for the latest on Covid Guidance.

Chapel café. The café is open Mon- Fri 10-4pm and Sat 10-3pm, comer and join us for hot drinks and delicious food.

Cell Group is now meeting on the third Wednesday of each month at 2pm. In the little vestry. It would be good to have some new members. Please call Dee on 0116 241 8742 if you would like more information.

Weekly Offerings At the end of the first quarter, giving has dropped to just over 70% of what was budgeted for. 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.