BISHOP STREET METHODIST CHURCH

...serving people in Leicester City Centre (Reg. charity 1129068) through welcome, worship and mission. 10a Bishop Street, Town Hall Square, Leicester, LE1 6AF.

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SUNDAY 19th January 2020, 10.45am Morning Service led by James Blackhall/Audrey Baker Lectionary Reading for Sunday 19th January Isaiah 49:1-7 Psalm 40:1-11 1 Corinthians 1:1-9 John 1:29-42

10.45am Junior Church/ Sunday School during the middle part of the service.

Sunday

Services

Wednesday midweek service at 1.00pm each week.

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		Stewards	Welcomers	Refreshments
	Rota			
	19 th Jan	Volunteer needed	Volunteer needed	Volunteer needed

Organist: Martin Briers Flowers: by Tanvi Pate

Talk in the Chapel: Thursday 23rd January 2020. Time 6.15 to 7.15pm: Joseph Roberts: Grocer of Distinction by Brian Johnson. Joseph Roberts founded a grocery business in 19th Century Leicester. He was a member of Bishop Street Methodist Church. He laid the foundation stone for the school room building next to the chapel. The collection will go towards the Benevolence Fund.

CHURCH CALENDAR					
	JANUARY / FEBRUARY 2020				
23 rd Jan 2020	1:00-1:30pm Organ recital with Philip Bricher				
23 rd Jan 2020	6.15-7.15pm Talk in the Chapel, Joseph Roberts: Grocer of Distinction By Brian Johnson				
2 nd Feb 2020	Themed Worship Stories, morning worship 10:45				

Organ Recital: 23rd Jan 1-1:30pm. For our first concert of 2020 we welcome back Philip Bricher, Organist at Holy Trinity Church, Northampton. This is a free recital, with a retiring collection for donations towards the upkeep of the organ.

Sunday February 2nd 2020. So what's the Story...?

This Sunday the service is to be a Local Arrangement which means that members of the congregation are responsible for the conduct of worship. We have two Worship Leaders within the congregation, Mary Gill and Gladys Kusiwaa. We would like to lead worship based on the theme of stories. We are asking for help here.

Do you have a favourite Bible story?

Would you be prepared to say what it is and why you like it ?

Please speak to either of the Worship Leaders or to a steward so that planning can begin. This fits in with the President and Vice Presidents' theme for their year in office.

Marriage and Relationships: District-led Presentation and Discussion Saturday 8 February, 11 - 3pm Birstall Methodist Church, LE4 4JS This is an opportunity to consider the recommendations which will be presented to Methodist Conference in July this year about the future direction of travel for Methodists regarding equal marriage, co-habitation, and friendship etc...

All are welcome - bring your own packed lunch.

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

Rota	Led by	Stewards	Welcomers	Refreshments
26 th	Rev. Fran	Volunteer	Volunteer	Volunteer
Jan	Rhys, café	needed	needed	needed
	church			
2 nd	Local	Volunteer	Volunteer	Volunteer
Feb	arrangement	needed	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 1st 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

DONATING FOOD TO ZINTHIYA TRUST:

Bishop St used to donate food to the Red Cross for people in need. They are not accepting food donations any longer and the Church Council has decided that our partners Zinthiya Trust would be a suitable alternative charity for food donations. We started with our Harvest food donations but would now like to give people an opportunity to give food regularly. They are suggesting the following tinned foods with a generous "best before" date:

Soup -vegetable, tomato, chicken, Vegetables - potatoes, peas, carrots, tomatoes, Baked beans, spaghetti, Fish -tuna, sardine, mackerel, Meat - luncheon meat, stews, Pasta and rice

There is a box kept in the vestry which stewards can bring out each service and will be passed on to Zinthiya Trust as it fills up. Anything you can contribute will be warmly welcomed.

RSPB: Residents, relatives and volunteers are doing the RSPB 'Big Garden Bird Watch' at Aigburth Care Home on Saturday 25 January from 11am to 12 noon. As the building has 4 aspects into our garden areas, we would welcome people to help us! Please contact Marilyn Bowles, Volunteer gardener, at marilynruth1946@hotmail.com if you can assist us: thank you.

Rothley: On Tuesday, 21st January Rothley Methodist Church invite you to a bring and share lunch to mark the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. The lunch will start at 12.00 noon and will be followed by a brief service. This invitation is open to everyone who would like to come and share this time with us. All are very welcome.

SOLAR PANELS PROJECT: We are raising funds to install solar panels on the church roof. If you know anyone who might be prepared to donate, pick up a leaflet or direct them to

https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/robin-stevenson-churchsolarpower

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