

## BISHOP STREET METHODIST CHURCH

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

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**SUNDAY 8<sup>th</sup> March 2020,  
10.45am  
Morning Service  
led by Richard Gill  
Lectionary Reading for Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> March  
Genesis 12:1-4a  
Psalm 121  
Romans 4:1-5, 13-17  
John 3:1-17  
Or Matthew 17:1-9**

**Sunday  
Services  
10.45am**

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

Wednesday  
midweek  
service at  
1.00pm each  
week.

Rota	Stewards	Welcomers	Refreshments
8 <sup>th</sup> March	Volunteer needed	Volunteer needed	Volunteer needed

**Organist: Martin Briers**

**Flowers** have been arranged by Anne Doblander in memory of Jill Peirera and her parents

**Lent:** During Lent we will be collecting items for the Community of Grace : toilet rolls, washing-up liquid any type of cleaning materials is appreciated.

CHURCH CALENDAR	
March 2020	
8 <sup>th</sup> March	Second Sunday of Lent service, "What's the Story"?

**University of Leicester Chaplaincy Lecture, Professor Clive Marsh: Why God Stories Really, Really Matter...Even in 2020 on Monday 16th March 2020 beginning at 5.30pm in the Rattray Lecture Theatre, University of Leicester. Light**

refreshments will be served at the Gatehouse Chaplaincy Centre (opposite Mayor's Walk on University Road) following the lecture.

Please RSVP to the chaplaincy Tel/Fax +44 (0)116 285 6493 or chaplaincy@le.ac.uk

**Lunchtime Recital**, Tom Keogh Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March at St. Margaret's Church, Leicester

**Church Vision Planning: CHANGE OF DATE!!** Please keep free the morning of Saturday 13 June 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.

**General Church Meeting:** Sunday 3 May, 10.45am - This meeting which is for "fellowship, mutual counsel about the condition of the Local Church, including its financial affairs, church appointments etc..." will take place within the morning service. This year, Church Council has requested the meeting to consider the church becoming affiliated to Inclusive Church. See [www.inclusive-church.org](http://www.inclusive-church.org) Please put the date in your diary / phone and make an effort to be there.

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

Rota	Led by	Stewards	Welcomers	Refreshments
15 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Rev. Fran Rhys. HC	Mary Gill, Margaret Byron	Volunteer needed	Volunteer needed
22 <sup>nd</sup> Mar	Miriam Stevenson	Volunteer needed	Volunteer needed	Volunteer needed
29 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Leon Dundas	Volunteer needed	Volunteer needed	Volunteer needed

<b>REGULAR ACTIVITIES</b>
<p><b>MINISTER:</b> 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.</p> <p><b>Lunchtime Prayers:</b> 1.00pm on Mondays and Wednesday in the prayer corner. <b>Communion is the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday monthly</b></p>
<p><b>THE CHAPEL CAFÉ:</b> The Café is open 10.00-4.00 on weekdays and 10.00-3.00 on Saturdays. Call in often, and tell your friends.</p>
<p><b>OPEN CHURCH in the Barrett Room: Mondays 11.30am-1.00pm.</b> followed by prayers in the Church prayer corner at 1.00.</p>



**'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*

**10.45am**  
**Sunday Services for Lent and Easter 2020**

*What's The Story?*

**Second Sunday in Lent:**  
8th March 2020  
Theme: 'Nicodemus'  
led by Richard Gill  
(John ch3 v1-17)

*We speak of what  
we know and we  
testify to what we  
have seen*

**A Taste of India.**

Make a note of THURSDAY 2nd APRIL when 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.

The time is at 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.

Don't miss this uplifting and enriching occasion.