



BISHOP STREET METHODIST CHURCH

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

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SUNDAY 28th AUGUST 2022

Morning Service 10.45 am

led by

Margaret Byron

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).

SUNDAY SERVICES 10.45am	
4 th September	Douglas Beku-Betts and Jo Kay
11 th September	Rev. Liam Dacre-Davis (Holy Communion)
18 th September	Miriam Stevenson
25 th September	Rev Liam Dacre -Davies - Holy Communion
2 nd October	Oscar Fortune - Harvest Festival
9 th October	John Aldridge
16 th October	Rev Ivan Bennett
23 rd October	Rev Canon Helen Cameron - Chapel Anniversary
30 th October	Rev. Liam Dacre-Davis (Holy Communion)

The Sunday morning service will be recorded and the basic video will be available on an unlisted YouTube link from late lunchtime on Sunday. A recording has also been made of Sophia's funeral service. If you would like to be sent the link to watch later 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 **rota sheets for September, October and November** are available. Please sign if you are able. We do need welcomers at the start of morning worship and servers for refreshments after the service. Please ask a steward to explain what these tasks involve if you would like to help.

Good news - Pay and display parking bays have returned to Bishop Street. As these are free on Sunday, they may be available for parking before the service. There is also a disabled parking area for those with a Blue Badge.

Circuit Plans (pink) are now available with the list of services in all the churches in the Leicester Trinity Circuit for September, October and November. Please take one from the table in the cafe area.

This week the **Artists in Residence** have been in the chapel. Music and painting have been demonstrated and shared with people visiting the chapel and the cafe. The church received an Arts Council grant to host the artists for several months, with a series of exhibitions showcasing their work during this time.

SUNDAY EVENING CIRCUIT SERVICES.

Bishop Street is part of the Leicester Trinity Methodist Circuit, a group of churches across the north, east and south sides of Leicester and Leicestershire. There are Sunday Evening circuit services each week to which all are welcome. They are held at 6.00pm via Zoom.

Zoom link for all these services is: -

<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.

More news on Circuit Services: Midweek Holy Communion on Thursday mornings at 11am for 30 minutes. In rotation: first Thursday at Uppingham Road, second Thursday at Mayflower (Devotion Room) and third Thursday at Wesley Hall. No service on the fourth or fifth Thursday.

Benevolence Fund. Most Methodist churches have a Benevolence Fund. This is money which is used to help anyone linked to the church who is in urgent financial need.

An application for support goes to the Minister and is considered by a small group to see if it is thought a suitable request. Over the years this money has supported asylum seekers in their claims for asylum and supported others with unexpected expenses. Regular gifts are welcome at any time. However, it has been our practice to take up an extra offering at the end of the Communion service as well as an earlier regular collection for church funds. We will re-introduce this practice on Sunday 5th July. Any small gift will be welcome.

Painting in Aigburth Garden A celebration of art in the garden MHA Aigburth, 21 Manor Rd, Oadby, Leicester LE2 2LL **Friday 9 September 2022** 1.30 - 4.00 pm Please drop in for tea and cake and to meet artists and residents. Original artwork on display and for sale

Ride and Stride on Saturday 10th September 2022

In aid of Leicestershire and Rutland Historic Churches Trust

Bishop Street Methodist Church will be open for 'Ride and Striders' from 10.00am to 4.00pm.

Help is needed:

To sign in and register the Ride and Striders.

To sell Heritage booklets.

To help guide visitors around the church and Heritage room.

The building is open to visitors for Heritage Open Doors Week, and we hope to have some Heritage material on display. Further information from Mary Gill.

Monthly Bible Study by Zoom: last Thursday of the month at 7.30pm. For zoom link and study notes in advance, contact Julie Manning: manningsthe@hotmail.com 0116 276 7916.

Witnessing to Memory: A New Course at the Council of Christians and Jews (CCJ) This is an innovative new course being developed by the Council of Christians and Jews which will run from 8th September until November 2022, once a week for seven weeks, on Zoom. The interactive, seminar-based module is aimed at both Christian clergy and lay leaders in religious educational contexts (such as RE teachers, Interfaith Advisors, and others) who wish to deepen their knowledge and understanding of teaching on the topic of the Holocaust in relation to faith and religion. In addition to highlighting the imperative of teaching on the Holocaust, this course also seeks to explore the religious aspects of Holocaust education, both by identifying the religious elements of the Holocaust (for example, religious intolerance as a motivating factor of Jewish persecution and an appreciation of the complexities of religious identity) in addition to exploring the ways in which this can be communicated in a multi-faith, multi-cultural learning environment.

The seminar will be delivered primarily online, and CCJ will draw together world-class specialists from Yad Vashem, the Holocaust Educational Trust, UCL's Centre for Holocaust Education, Presence and Engagement at the Church of England, and other institutions. A centrepiece of the course will be a visit to the National Holocaust Centre in Nottinghamshire in October. The course aims to equip the participants with the knowledge and confidence to witness to the memory of the Holocaust, so that we never forget and strive to build a stronger, more tolerant society. Full details and an application form can be found on our website here: <https://ccj.org.uk/our-work/holocaust-education/witnessing> .

Bible Study. The Bible Study group meets every Thursday lunch time, 12 noon to 1.00pm, in the church. All are welcome to join the group who are currently studying the Gospel of Mark. For more information speak to Richard Gill.

Cell Group will be meeting on the third Wednesday in the month as usual, at 2pm in the vestry. The group would welcome some new members so please contact Dee

on 241 8742. Next month the group is starting new book about reading and understanding Paul's writing and theology (in lay people's language!)

Chapel café. The café is open from 10:00-16:00 Monday to Friday and 10:00-15:00 Saturdays.

Weekly Offerings At the end of June, giving has dropped to 76% 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. Please either send a cheque to the church's Gift Aid Officer, Tony Moore at 46 Holmfield Road Leicester LE2 1SA, or you can make a BACS transfer to Bishop Street Methodist Church - please contact our treasurer - finance@bishopstreetchurch.org.uk - for further details. 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 or set up a Direct Debit.