BISHOP STREET METHODIST CHURCH

...serving people in Leicester City Centre through welcome, worship and mission.

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'Coming in need, Mary's Child, Born in a borrowed room.'

Service for Sunday: 27th Nov 2022 Service of Holy Communion for Advent Sunday

led by Revd Liam Dacre-Davis

Today is our **Christmas Gift Service**, collecting items for people who may otherwise not receive many presents. (See below for details)

Rota Stewards Welcomers Refreshments 27th Nov. Volunteer req'd Volunteer req'd Alison Skinner

ROTA for December: Please sign up on the ROTA SHEET located in the Vestry as a welcomer or refreshments volunteer. Thank you

10.45am SUNDAY SERVICES for DECEMBER 2022	
4 th December	Local Arrangement for Advent 2
11 th December	Service to include a Nativity Play and Holy Communion, led by Rev. Liam Dacre-Davis
18 th December	Christmas Carol Service: Local Arrangement, so look out for how to request a Carol.
25 th December	10.00am Christmas Morning service led by Rev. Liam Dacre-Davis

Our Christmas Gift Service is an opportunity to give to people who will get very few presents this Christmas. 'After 18' work with young asylum seekers in Leicester, Women's Aid care for abused women, and the Community of Grace/One Roof Leicester work together to provide

support for a wide range of vulnerable and homeless people. Please bring unwrapped presents so they can be directed to appropriate people. We are asking for donations of Christmas goodies (biscuits, chocolates) and little festive items such as hats, scarves, fluffy socks, toiletries. Thanks for anything you can donate.

TALKING CLIMATE JUSTICE: a Christian Aid event, will be held at Bishop Street Methodist Church, Town Hall Square, Leicester LE1 6AF, on **Monday 28th November 2022, 4.30-6.00pm.** The event will include a short film: "Climate and Racial Justice", a look at how Christians can respond with hopeful action and some feedback from COP 27. See the poster for more details.

BISHOP STREET ON THE INTERNET

The morning services are videoed each week, and posted on Youtube. They are 'unlisted' videos, so will not appear on searches or on the channel, but the link each week can all be found at https://bishopstreetmethodistchurchsundaystuff.wordpress.com/blog-2/

The Bishop Street Facebook Group is also a place to share and hear news and keep in touch. You can join the group at https://www.facebook.com/groups/bishopstreet/

Leicester Carnival: The Methodist Church recently released a video celebrating the involvement of Methodists in the creation of Leicester Carnival. You may see some familiar faces. You can view the video here: https://youtu.be/B41_SkX5JDw

ART IN THE CHAPEL: Personal Totems. Join artist in residence, photographer and writer Jacqui Booth, to share an object that holds meaning for you. The first thing you think of is probably the best. It doesn't have to be valuable or beautiful – though it may be so to you! It's basically show and tell for all ages. I look forward to chatting to you and taking a photo of you and your chosen object. Tues 6th Dec 10am-1pm and Thurs 9th Dec 11am-2pm in the Chapel. Follow the stories on www.jacquibooth.co.uk/blog. Photos and writing may be used online and be part of an exhibition/possible publication in early 2023. Supported by Art in the Chapel and public funding by Arts Council England

Religions for Peace UK Women of Faith Network

This invitation comes via Methodist Women in Britain.

All women are invited to this online event 'Women in Religious Scriptures' on Wednesday 7 December 2022 from 7.00pm-8.30pm. The discussion will be led by:

Dr Lindsay Simmonds: Research Officer at the Religion and Global Society Department at the London School of Economics; her particular remit is research into Women of Faith and Peacebuilding.

Dr Maureen Sier: Director of Interfaith Scotland and has been working in the field of Interfaith relations for over 20 years.

Dr Sofia Rehman: an independent scholar specialising in Islam and Gender. As a PhD candidate she was a PG Impact Fellow at the Centre of Religion and Public Life and PRHS Scholar.

To book a ticket please visit https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/women-inreligious-scriptures-how-can-they-inspire-and-empower-us-todaytickets-464242661297

BISHOP STREET 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. The group is studying a new book about reading and understanding Paul's writing and theology (in lay people's language!)

Chapel café. The café is run by the Zynthiya Trust open from 10:00-16:00 Monday to Friday and 10:00-15:00 Saturdays.

The Listening Service is available in the Chapel Café every Tuesday from 11-12.30 for anyone who would like someone to talk to.

LEICESTER TRINITY METHODIST CIRCUIT

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=OTFSQ2JiL3hkWUp1NnU1b1ZiVD Judz09 Meeting ID: 876 0377 1006 Passcode: 281338

Midweek Holy Communion at three Methodist Churches on the east side of Leicester are held on a monthly rotation on Thursday mornings at 11.00am for 30 minutes: 1st Thursday at Uppingham Road, 2nd Thursday at Mayflower (Devotion Room) and 3rd Thursday at Wesley Hall. (No service on the fourth or fifth Thursday.)

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.

Monthly inter-religious meeting of Faith and Friendship Forum at 7 pm starting with refreshments. For details of the November meeting contact James Blackhall jamesblackhall@gmail.com 0795 760 8617

Mug Request: South Wigston have started a coffee morning/warm space for parents of the pre-school that meets on the premises. Some parents are bringing their younger toddlers and we want to avoid any accidents caused by hot spillages - hence a request for spare/unwanted thermos flask/cups. (What is needed is re-usable-café-mug-style items, with sealable lids, as shown in the photo.) If anyone is willing to part company with such a cup, please contact Liam to find a good opportunity for collecting them (liam.dacredavis@methodist.org.uk).

To receive these notices by email each week, (or to unsubscribe) please send a request by email

to Chris at the Church office: office@bishopstreetchurch.org.uk

