



BISHOP STREET METHODIST CHURCH

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

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**'I am the Lord, I have called you in righteousness,
I have taken you by the hand and kept you;
I have given you as a covenant to the people
a light to the nations
to open the eyes that are blind,
to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon,
from the prison those who sit in darkness.'** Isaiah 42: 6-7

Church Notices for

Sunday 8th January 2023: 10.45am Service

Annual Covenant Service with Communion

Led by Revd Liam Dacre-Davis

Rota	Stewards	Welcomers	Refreshments
8 th January	Tanvi Pate	Volunteer req'd	Dee Brunning
15 th Jan	Tanvi Pate	Volunteer req'd	Volunteer req'd

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 JANUARY 2023	
15 th January	Local arrangement
22 nd January	led by Revd Liam Dacre-Davis
29 th January	Moleen Chikumba

CHRISTMAS CARD EXCHANGE DONATIONS.

As part of the exchange of Christmas Cards amongst Church members and friends we invited donations towards a bicycle for Africa. The target we were set was £66 and we are delighted that this was more than reached. Not only can we send money to buy a bicycle for a school student in Africa through the Methodist charity ALL WE CAN, but raised a total of £80 so the extra £14 will be used to buy two sets of bike lights for use locally. 'After 18', the charity based in our building who help asylum seekers, received some of the pre-Christmas gifts from us, and mentioned that in the dark evenings there was a pressing need need for bike lights. So we will be giving the bike-lights to them, and the money raised is being put to good use both home and abroad.

Thank you all for your donations.

TALK IN THE CHAPEL: Celebrating Vaughan Williams

Thursday 26th January 2023 at 6.15 to 7.15pm

2022 was the 150th anniversary of the birth of British classical composer **Ralph Vaughan Williams**. Neil Crutchley, performer and music critic, who has given a number of talks on Christmas Music for us over the years, will talk about the life and music of Vaughan Williams.

Free entry, all are welcome.

Retiring collection in aid of church funds.

CHURCH COUNCIL

Next Church Council will be on Thursday February 2nd , at 7.00pm at the Church. All Church Council members are encouraged to attend.

ISKCON

There is an opportunity to join a visit to ISKCON, the International Society for Krishna Consciousness, who are are neighbours a short way along Bishop Street. Organised by the St Phillip's Centre, this is at 7-8pm on Thursday 16th Feb. For more information, talk to Liam or contact courses@stphilipscentre.co.uk

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 and worship material relating to the Sunday worship 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/>

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=OTFSQ2JlL3hkWUp1NnU1b1ZiVDJud09>

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.

HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL DAY TALK:

On Tuesday 24 January 1-2pm, as we approach January 27th, the St Philips Centre is hosting a talk entitled:

'Would you care to listen?': encounters between Christians and Jews in the aftermath of the Holocaust.

Robert Thompson is a PhD candidate in the Department of Hebrew and Jewish Studies at University College London. His research is funded by a Wolfson Foundation Postgraduate Scholarship in the Humanities. Before beginning his PhD, Rob worked as Senior Programme Manager for the Council of Christians and Jews (CCJ). He is a Local Preacher in the Methodist Church and a Trustee of the National Holocaust Centre and Museum. More details from courses@stphilipscentre.co.uk

To see the range of courses and activities the St Philip's Centre runs, see <http://stphilipscentre.co.uk/our-work/our-courses>

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