BISHOP STREET METHODIST CHURCHserving people in Leicester City Centre

through welcome, worship and mission.

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'For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.'

John 3:16

Church Notices for

Sunday 12th February 2023: 10.45am Morning Communion Service

Revd Liam Dacre-Davis

Rota	Stewards	Welcomers	Refreshments
12 th Feb	Volunteer Req'd	Dee Brunning	Alison Skinner
19 th Feb	Mary Gill	Margaret Mackley	Hilary Hay
26 th Feb	Volunteer Req'd	Volunteer Req'd	Volunteer Req'd

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

10.45am SUNDAY SERVICES for FEBRUARY/MARCH 2023		
19 th February	Revd Paula Hunt	
26 th February	Clive Marsh – First Sunday in Lent	
5 th March	Sincere Makunde – Second Sunday in Lent	
12 th March	Revd Liam Dacre-Davis – Third Sunday in Lent	

CIRCUIT ONLINE EVENING SERVICE: Today's 6.00pm online service will be led by Revd Paula Hunt. See below for zoom details.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER, FRIDAY MARCH 3rd 2023: This year's World Day of Prayer service for the City Centre Churches will be held at 11.00am at St Stephen's URC, De Montfort Street. All are welcome for this global service, prepared by the Christian women of Taiwan.

LENT PREACHING SERIES: The first three Sundays in Lent will be a miniseries based around Jesus's statement, '"You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind." This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: "You shall love your neighbour as yourself." '

Clive Marsh, 26th Feb – What does it mean to Love God?
Sincere Makunde, 5th Mar – What does it mean to Love our neighbour?
Liam Dacre-Davis, 12th Mar – What does it mean to Love ourselves?

LIVING LENT HOPEFULLY – 2023 Lent Course:

This Lent, I invite anyone and everyone to join me as I follow the *Living Lent Hopefully* course, prepared by The Queen's Foundation training college, Birmingham.

It all begins with an initial online event hosted by The Queen's Foundation, on Monday 27th February 7.30-9.00, followed by five Thursday study sessions. There is an individual £8 charge, but free tickets are also available.

You can register here: https://queens.jotform.com/230054349764963

You can choose the option 'I am already part of a group', so we can gather in our own 30min Zoom meeting afterwards where we will share our initial thoughts and explore some questions.

If you are unavailable to attend the introduction event, you are still more than welcome to join the subsequent 5-week course, also online, on Thursdays between 2nd and 30th March. Each session will include an audio recording and study notes provided by The Queen's Foundation. If you would like to participate, or want further information, please let me know by emailing liam.dacre-davis@methodist.org.uk

Remember to tell me whether you will be attending the initial online event, the 5-week course, or both. I can then send you all the relevant Zoom info.

Revd Liam Dacre-Davis

GOOD FRIDAY: We are developing our plans for two events on Good Friday, 7th April 2023. Our plan is to hold the annual Good Friday service at 11.00am, when we will be joined by members from various Leicester Methodist Churches. At 1.00pm a reflective event featuring the Knighton String Quartet will be taking place, featuring Haydn's 'Seven Last Words', interleaved with readings. Look out for more details.

VOLUNTEERING WITH AFTER18

After18, who use the 'top office' above our back rooms, write to say, "Our Thursday night drop-in for homework support is thriving and we are experiencing increasing demand for good quality education support from Leicester's young refugees. We are looking to meet this increasing demand by recruiting more volunteers. We are looking for people with teaching experience who could spare a couple of hours on a Thursday evening. Our students are generally highly motivated and committed to their studies and are very appreciative of volunteer support." They would particularly value anyone who can help with Entry ESOL-GCSE English, Maths, Driving Theory, Sciences (esp. Chemistry), and New Arrivals Support. If you can help, or know anyone who might, you can find out more at www.after18.org.uk/joinus.

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 Philip's Centre, this is at 7-8pm on Thursday 16th Feb. For more information, talk to Liam or contact <u>courses@stphilipscentre.co.uk</u>

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=OTFSQ2JiL3hkWUp1NnU1b1ZiVDJudz09
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.

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