



BISHOP STREET METHODIST CHURCH

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

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Church Notices for
Sunday 5th March 2023:
10.45am Morning Service
led by Sincere Makunde
Second Sunday in Lent

Rota	Stewards	Welcomers	Refreshments
5 th Mar	Volunteer Req'd	Volunteer Req'd	Alison

ROTA for March: 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	
12 th March	Revd Liam Dacre-Davis – Third Sunday in Lent
19 th March	Jean Thornton – Mothering Sunday service

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 mini-series 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." '

Sincere Makunde, 5th Mar – What does it mean to Love our neighbour?

Liam Dacre-Davis, 12th Mar – What does it mean to Love ourselves?

On 26th March, **Passion Sunday**, our local arrangement service will feature a collective activity to make a giant painting of Gauguin's 'Garden of Gethsemane'. This will then feature in our Good Friday 11.00am morning service.

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.iotform.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.

Rev'd 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 University of Leicester String Quartet will be taking place, with a

performance of Haydn's 'Seven Last Words', interleaved with readings. Look out for more details.

ART CLUB VOLUNTEER REQUEST by AFTER18

Could you spare a few hours a week to share your skills with After18 and enrich the life of a young person? After18 is a Leicester-based charity working to support young refugees and asylum seekers to transition from childhood to adulthood and prepare for their future. We do so by providing specialist information, emotional and practical support and a wide range of educational and social activities.

One of our activities is a weekly art and photography club, and we are currently looking for a volunteer to join this group and interact with the young people as they work on their projects each week. This would be a great opportunity for someone who is passionate about creative arts and supporting the wellbeing of young people.

*Must be available Mondays 5:30-7pm in Leicester City Centre

Contact details for all volunteering opportunities are:

Sarah.danby@after18.org.uk, 07851 411964, After18.org.uk/join-us

ESSENTIAL TRAINING FOR STEWARDS AND LOCAL PREACHERS: There are two upcoming opportunities to join the new training event entitled, 'God For All'. This is the new 'Justice, Dignity and Solidarity' Training and Leicester West Methodist Circuit invite us to join either a One Day event, 10.00am – 3.00pm on **Saturday 10th June 2023** at Glenfield Methodist Church, LE3 8BT, or a three-evening series on **Tuesdays 9th and 23rd May and 13th June 2023**, 7 – 9 pm at Trinity Methodist Church, Narborough Road, Leicester LE3 2RD. Join with Preachers, Worship Leaders and Stewards, as we explore how to make the worship we lead as fully inclusive as we can. We welcome our speaker Rev Jill Marsh, Connexional Inclusive Church Implementation Officer. To Book a place please contact the Leicester West Circuit Office: leicwest.circoffice@btinternet.com 07883 077810 or 0116 2892182

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=OTFSQ2JlL3hkWUp1NnU1b1ZiVDJudz09>

Meeting ID: 876 0377 1006 Passcode: 281338

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