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Church Notices for Sunday 21st May 2023 10.45am Christian Aid Service

Local Arrangement led by Alison Skinner and Richard Gill The work of Christian Aid will be celebrated and envelopes for gifts to this charity will be available.

Rota	Stewards	Welcomers	Refreshments
21 st May	Tanvi pate	Margaret M	Volunteer Req'd
28 th May	Tanvi Pate	Volunteer Req'd	Volunteer Req'd
4 th June	Volunteer Req'd	Volunteer Req'd	Volunteer Req'd

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

10.45am SUNDAY SERVICES for MAY 2023		
28th May	Andrew Biggins (Pentecost Sunday)	
4 th June	Revd Gordon Webb, Holy Communion (Bible Month – week 1)	
11 th June	Oscar Fortune. (Bible Month – week 2)	

EVENING SERVICE: This Sunday evening, 21st May at 6:00pm is the District Ordinands Testimony Service. This is always a wonderful occasion in the life of the District as probationer ministers prepare for ordination. Revd Stephen Spain will be giving his testimony. The service is at Lime Walk Methodist Church in Oxford. For those unable to get to the service in person it will be available on a Youtube live stream at: https://www.youtube.com/@LimeWalkMC Please note that this replaces the Trinity Circuit Service this Sunday evening.

ANNUAL GIFT DAY APPEAL. The Finance and Property team suggest that a Gift Day appeal be launched last Sunday. We usually have a Gift Appeal each year to boost congregational giving. A target of £3,200 was set in the budget for 2022-23. This is a challenging target given the current rise in prices which is affecting all of us. But if everyone can give an extra gift in the envelopes provided then it demonstrates our commitment to keeping the church open and available for all.

TALK IN THE CHAPEL: 'IMAGERY OF REVELATION'

On Thursday May 25th Miriam Stevenson will be giving a 'visual' talk through the imagery of Revelation. 6.15-7.15pm in the Church. This will provide a prelude to our Bible Month services, which, this June will be focussing on the Book of Revelation.

ART IN THE CHAPEL: SPRING 2023:

This week we are pleased to have an exhibition of Artwork by Students from Leicester College.

From Thursday 25th May we will be holding an exhibition of paintings by the late Alan Caine. Alan was a good friend of Bishop Street over a great many years, and we will be pleased to show a selection of his remarkable paintings. Entitled **'Patterns engraved into the earth'**, this month-long exhibition will focus on his landscape themes. Following on from the Alan Caine exhibition the Groby Learning Campus, will be holding an end-of-year exhibition of student artworks.

MINISTERIAL SABBATICAL (A period set aside every seven years, for a minister to have a 3 month break from their normal duties): Liam's sabbatical will fall due during June, July and August. He will be using his sabbatical to rest and reconnect with his family. This is the reason he has chosen to take his sabbatical over the summer (to coincide with the school holidays). The sabbatical will also provide Liam with greater time to read and write as he explores the role of doubt as a positive aspect of faith. His research will hopefully lead to the creation of devotional/worship resources."

ESSENTIAL TRAINING FOR STEWARDS AND LOCAL PREACHERS: There are upcoming opportunities to join the 'God For All' training event (the new 'Justice, Dignity and Solidarity' Training). Face to face training in the

circuit includes: Saturday June 17th; 10am - 3pm at Blaby or Saturday July 1st; 10am - 3pm at Oadby, or Option Three, spread over three Weds evenings June 21st, 28th and July 5th (you must attend them all) at 7:30pm at Birstall. Please let the Circuit Office know which you would like to attend. There is also an option to do the training online. Details from Miriam Stevenson.

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/

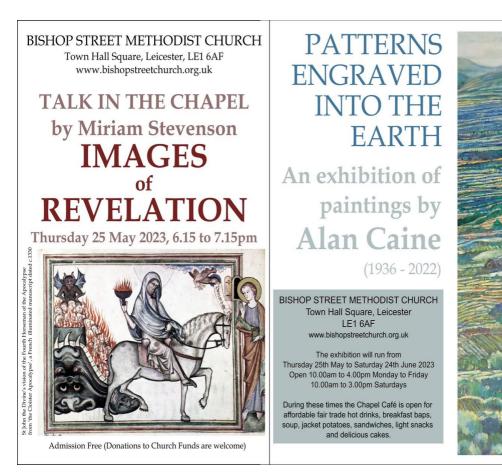
BISHOP STREET BIBLE STUDY. The Bible Study group meets every Thursday lunch time, 12 noon to 1.00pm, in the church. All are welcome to join the group who are currently studying the Gospel of Mark. For more information speak to Richard Gill.

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 and is open 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. 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



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