

BISHOP STREET METHODIST CHURCH

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

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Notices for Sunday 17th March 2024,

The fifth Sunday of Lent

PASSION SUNDAY

10.45am Sunday morning service

'Changed from glory into glory'.

Led by Jean Thornton

10.45am SUNDAY SERVICES for March/April 2024	
24 th March	Palm Sunday: John Aldridge.
Good Friday	10.30am service and 1.00pm recital.
31 st March	Easter Day. Revd Liam Dacre-Davis (Holy Communion)
7 th April	Local Arrangement by the Worship Team
14 th April	Revd Liam Dacre-Davis (Baptism)

Opening liturgy for Lent 5—Changed from glory into glory

Object: a packet of seeds.

Reader 1: Unbounded God, you triumphed over death and rose to new life.

Reader 2: Lord Jesus, we place this packet of seeds to remind us that just as these seeds may die and then grow into wonderful plants, we too will have eternal life that is beyond our comprehension.

Reader 1: Holy God,

All: **change us from glory to glory.**

ROTA: Please sign up on the ROTA SHEET as a welcomer or refreshments volunteer. Thank you. Can you help 'spread the load'? Please ask at the counter about what is involved.

GOOD FRIDAY: We will be holding two events at Bishop Street to mark Good Friday. At 10.30 we will have our annual Good Friday service of reflection, and at 1.00pm the Knighton String Quartet will be performing the 'Seven Last Words' by Joseph Haydn, alongside a series of poems reflecting on the Good Friday narrative.

BRONZE ECO CHURCH AWARD: “Bishop Street Methodist Church, Leicester has achieved an Eco Church Bronze award.” Well done to everyone involved in reaching this milestone! And thanks to Alison and Mary for getting us through the process. Look out for details on how we might reach Silver!

ANNUAL CHURCH MEETING: This will be held as part of worship on Sunday 5th May 2024 when Rev Liam Dacre-Davies will be leading worship. In this meeting church stewards are appointed for the next 12 months.

We need another 2 stewards. Are you interested? Why not talk to one of the stewards and find out what is involved? 'Shadowing' a steward is one way to see what they do.

Two more communion stewards are also needed. This involves a commitment on the one Sunday in each month when a communion service is held. Talk to Josephine Chitsenga, who is the organiser of the communion steward's rota to find out more.

At the ACM representatives from the congregation are appointed to join the Church Council. These people are the trustees for the church and hold that responsibility so are also church members.

BISHOP STREET ON THE INTERNET: The morning services are videoed each week, and posted on **Youtube**. The link each week along with worship material relating to the Sunday worship can all be found at:

<https://bishopstreetmethodistchurchsundaystuff.wordpress.com/blog-2/>

THE BISHOP STREET FACEBOOK GROUP share and hear news and keep in touch. <https://www.facebook.com/groups/bishopstreet/>.

Instagram Account for the Church. @bishopstreetchurch.

BISHOP STREET WEEKLY 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 Luke. For more information speak to Richard Gill.

MONTHLY CELL GROUP: Our new book is "Meeting God in Mark" written by Rowan Williams. In general the group meets on the **SECOND** Wednesday in the month and at 12.30, finishing around 2 pm. We start with coffee or tea and biscuits, usually home made! We look forward to welcoming some new members to our group. If anyone wants more information please contact Dee on 0116 241 8742 or deebrunning@yahoo.co.uk

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, serving good quality affordable fair trade hot drinks, breakfast baps, soup, jacket potatoes, sandwiches, light snacks and delicious cakes.

LEICESTER TRINITY CIRCUIT Sunday Evening Lent Course for 2024: You are welcome to join us online at 6.00pm using the normal Circuit Sunday evening link [Meeting ID: 876 0377 1006](#) Passcode: 281338

DISCIPLESHIP/ TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES – There is still time to sign up for the following:
29th April & 13th May 7-9 (Blaby MC) Safeguarding - Foundation Training.
Please book with Laurie at the Circuit office via leicestertrinity@outlook.com

BARRY WILFORD: We are sorry to hear that former-member Barry Wilford died peacefully on Thursday evening. Barry and Janice were active members at Bishop Street in 1970s and 80s. Barry taught in the Sunday School and brought his flair to flower-arranging, which he continued to share with us after their move to Oadby in the later 1980s. Barry was a good friend to Bishop Street and we send our condolences to Janice and all the family.

LEICESTERSHIRE HISTORIC CHURCHES TRUST are holding Sixtieth Anniversary Events around Leicestershire during 2024. These will feature refreshments, a short presentation on the work of the Trust followed by Q&A, discussion, and more refreshments. Two that are coming up in our locality are:–

- Wed 20th March – Houghton on the Hill Methodist Church, 7.00pm

- Thurs 11th April – Leicester, St Margaret's C of E, 5.30pm

All are welcome to these events, which is a great way to show support and thanks for the work the trust has done for our Church and many others around the City and County.

If you are new to Bishop Street Church and would like to keep in touch, we would be pleased receive your details via a Church contact form, available from the welcomers. These are passed to the minister who will ensure security and confidentiality.

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

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<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/bishop-street-met-ch->

Thank you to everyone who has signed up so far. Your purchases are now raising much-needed donations for the Church.