

BISHOP STREET METHODIST CHURCH

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

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Notices for Sunday 6th October 2024, 10.45am Sunday Communion Service led by Revd Liam Dacre-Davis

| 10.45am SUNDAY SERVICES for October 2024 | |
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| 13 th October | Local Arrangement by the Worship Team. |
| 20 th October | Howard Smith |
| 27 th October | Jo Kay |
| 3 rd November | Revd Gordon Webb (Chapel Anniversary) |

ROTA: Please sign up on the ROTA SHEET as a welcomer or refreshments volunteer.

Our floral decorations for Harvest have been greatly enhanced by the purchase of a new selection of sunflowers.

This was made possible by a donation from Mrs Mary Roberts in loving memory of her parents, Mr & Mrs W Sharpe

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.

HARVEST FESTIVAL: On 29th September we celebrated Harvest Festival. Thank you to all who brought gifts to share in God's kindness. These food items have been passed on to the Zinthyia Trust who will make them available through their community shop, and will meet some of the needs of people that receive help and support from the Zinthyia Trust.

SPONSORED EVENTS:

LONDON SING FOR WATER – On 15th September near Tower Bridge, Hiliary, joined several hundred other singers from around the UK to 'Sing for Water' to raise water for WATERAID. Hilary raised £223. Thank you to everyone at Bishop Street Methodist Church who sponsored her.

RIDE AND STRIDE – On the same day Robin visited 18 churches and covered 40 miles by bicycle. Thank you for the £236 raised in aid of LeicesterShire Historic Churches Trust and Bishop Street Methodist Church. It's not too late to sponsor in person (see Robin), or visit his JustGiving page at <https://www.justgiving.com/page/robin-stevenson-sept-2024> .

BIG WILD WALK – The Leicestershire and Rutland Wildlife Trust 'Big Wild Walk' is happening between 21st Oct and 3rd November and the target is 30 kilometres (20 miles). Alison Skinner will be aiming for 2 walks of 10 miles, "on dry days, which will certainly tax me as birdwatching which I do is not compatible with long distance walking!" Further details on online or Cash sponsorship will be available soon, to help look after our national nature reserves and ensure they are places where endangered birds, mammals, amphibians and insects can be protected and thrive. More information at lrwt.org.uk/big-wild-walk-2024

Methodist Prayer Handbook for 2024-25: Praise and Protest. Take a copy of the new Prayer Handbook to use during the year. (Sign on the sheet provided if you take a copy for your own use.) A donation towards the cost of the Handbook can be added to the regular church collection on a Sunday. (They cost £4.15 each.)

CHURCH CONVERSATION: There is now a 'Contrary Convictions' information booklet available from the stewards, for anyone who was not able to attend last Sunday. To help guide the church council on the question of same-sex marriages, there is a short fill-in section on the back and Liam would like these returned. There will be a box to place these in, and the indications and comments will be useful as we seek to reach a decision.

If anyone would like to talk with Rev Liam about the conversation event, or to discuss further the thought-provoking material in the booklet please call or email (0116 257 1069/ liam.dacre-davis@methodist.org.uk)

MONTHLY CELL GROUP: As we so appreciated Bishop Rowan Williams' knowledge and clarity of communication we have decided to study another of his books starting in June. It is called "Open to Judgement" This book is a collection of chapters, each written following either a lecture or sermon he had given and it addresses the challenges of living as a Christian in today's society. Anyone will be welcomed to join the group which meets on the second Wednesday of the month at 12-30 in the vestry. Please get in touch with Dee Brunning 0116 241 8742 or deebrunning@yahoo.co.uk for further details

LEICESTER TRINITY CIRCUIT Sunday Evening services for 2024: You are welcome to join us online at 6.00pm. Please note: the new zoom link can be obtained from the minister: liam.dacre-davis@methodist.org.uk

QUIZ NIGHT: The Men's Fellowship at Birstall Methodist Church are holding a Quiz Night on Thursday 24th October, open to men and ladies, Coffee and Cake will be provided for a small charge to cover costs.

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.

BISHOP STREET ON THE INTERNET: The morning services are videoed each week, and posted on **Youtube** later the same day. They are 'unlisted', so 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.

EASYFUNDRAISING: There's a free and easy way to support Bishop Street Methodist Church Leicester from home, and it starts with easyfundraising! Turn your online shopping at over 8,000 retailers into free donations. All your favourite retailers are available to shop with, so why not sign up? Plus, for a limited time, we'll get a **bonus £1 donation** when you shop and raise for the first time! Join today here:

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