

# BISHOP STREET METHODIST CHURCH

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

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**Notices for Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2024,**

## **CHAPEL ANNIVERSARY**

**10.45am Sunday Service**

**led by Revd Gordon Webb**

<b>10.45am SUNDAY SERVICES for November 2024</b>	
10 <sup>th</sup> November	Local Arrangement for Remembrance Sunday
17 <sup>th</sup> November	Oscar Fortune
24 <sup>th</sup> November	Revd Liam Dacre-Davis (Holy Communion)

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

**Methodist Prayer Handbook for 2024-25: *Praise and Protest*.** Take a copy of the 2024-5 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.)

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.

## **Marriage and Relationships - Conversation Feedback**

Many attended a session on 29th Sept while others have read through the materials used on the day. Please look out for a further opportunity to engage in this process within a worship context. Responses will be continue to be collated to offer an indication of the feeling of the whole congregation. This will inform, but not direct, the Church Council who will vote on whether to register our church for same-sex marriage. The point of this exercise isn't to force everyone into adopting a single opinion. Rather, it is to recognise that we already worship together as people who fundamentally disagree on important matters. The real question is whether we able to practice grace in making space for one another. Can we see faith and integrity in those we disagree with, and continue in relationship as siblings in Christ caught up in 'wonder, love, and praise'? As John Wesley put it, "Though we cannot think alike, may we not love alike? May we not be of one heart, though we are not of one opinion? Without all doubt, we may. Herein all the children of God may unite, notwithstanding these smaller differences."

Blessing, Liam

**MEMORIAL LIST:** As is our custom, there will be an All Souls' Day memorial list from today, with the names of family and friends who have died and who members of the congregation wish to include. We will be remembering these and the many who have helped sustain our church and its members in today's Chapel Anniversary service.

**SPONSORED EVENT FOR NATURE:** BIG WILD WALK. Alison Skinner has completed her two 10 miles walks in aid of The Wildlife Trusts. The first went from Wanlip and Cossington Meadows up to Mountsorrel and the second went from South Wigston Tesco via Crow Mill Lane and Aylestone Meadows into town. She has raised £430 so far online and might make £500 with cash donations to come. She will be at church on Sunday 3rd and 10th and will be very grateful for any offerings from people who agreed support.

Congratulations to Alison on completing the distance and on the funds raised to help wildlife in Leicestershire. Alison's online donation page is at <https://thewildlifetrusts.enthuse.com/pf/alison-skinner>

**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 [deebunning@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:deebunning@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](mailto:liam.dacre-davis@methodist.org.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.

**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.

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](mailto:office@bishopstreetchurch.org.uk)

**DATES FOR DECEMBER:** Connexional Advent Theme *'Hush the noise'*

Wednesday 20th November, Light Switch on (share cards and gifts in Town Hall Sq)

Advent 1 December 1<sup>st</sup>: Christmas Gift Service followed by Pizza and satsumas

Saturday December 7<sup>th</sup>: Messy Christmas activities for families (midday)

Advent 2 December 8<sup>th</sup>: Local Arrangement

Thursday Lunchtime Christmas Carols with Organ (date to be confirmed)

Advent 3 December 15<sup>th</sup>: Nativity Play/ Communion

Advent 4 December 22<sup>nd</sup>: Carol Service

Wednesday December 25<sup>th</sup>: Christmas Day 10.00am service

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

**INTERFAITH WEEK**



**Speed faithing**

**An interactive and engaging opportunity to discuss your religious perspective on life, the universe and everything!**

**6:30 to 8:00pm, Wednesday 13th November at Oadby Trinity Methodist Church Harborough Road, Oadby, LE2 4LA,**

**Cake provided!**

Inter Faith Week



St Philip's Centre  
living well together