

# BISHOP STREET METHODIST CHURCH

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

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## Notices for Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> May 2025,

### 10.45am Sunday Service

led by Revd Liam Dacre-Davis.

This service will include the **Bishop Street Annual Church Meeting**. It is a chance to review the work of the Church last year and think about the current and future running of the Church. It is a time when members can be appointed to the various roles/committees within the church.

<b>10.45am SUNDAY SERVICES for May/June 2025</b> <b>JUNE IS 'BIBLE MONTH', this year focussing on THE GOSPEL OF JOHN</b>	
25th May	Plan has needed to be changed for this week. We are awaiting confirmation of who will lead the service.
Thursday 29th May	Ascension Day Circuit Service at Christchurch, Clarendon Park Road, 7.40pm (see inside for details)
1st June	Miriam Stevenson (Bible Month week 1: Embracing God and All Reality),
8th June	Revd Liam Dacre-Davis (Bible Month week 2: Signs, Conversations and Controversy)
15th June	Richard Cawthorn (Bible Month week 3: Jesus' Discipleship Course).
22nd June	Revd Liam Dacre-Davis (Bible Month week 4: 'The Hour' and the Resurrection and our Drama).

**BISHOP STREET REVIEW MEETING:** Everyone from the congregation is invited to join a meeting at 12.30pm on Monday 19th May. This will be

in the company of Rev Dr Tom Wilson who is working with a number of Circuit churches concerning their continued ministry, and the future use of their premises. It would be good to include the varied views of the congregation in so far as that is possible.

**Bible Month** - Study Sessions beginning Monday 2nd June, 12pm. Throughout June we will be following the national Bible Month preaching series based on the Gospel of John. To compliment this series, there will be Bible study sessions on Monday afternoons (12pm). There will be four sessions in total beginning on Monday 2nd June. The sessions will be led by a Student Minister, Jo Peek, who will be joining us on placement. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to participate in these sessions, and no prior knowledge is needed.

**BISHOP STREET WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY.** Note: The Bible Study group that meets on Thursday lunch times is taking a pause until the end of June. It is hoped to restart for July, but look out for details on this.

**ASCENSION DAY CIRCUIT SERVICE:** On Thursday 29th May at 7.30pm there will be a circuit service at Christchurch, Clarendon Park Road. This will be a communion service and will also receive the Easter Offering gifts for World Mission. It will also mark the start of this year's 'Thy Kingdom Come' prayer event, 29th May to 8th June 2025. Thy Kingdom Come (TKC) is a global ecumenical prayer movement that invites Christians around the world to pray from Ascension to Pentecost for more people to come to know Jesus. Since it began in May 2016, God has grown TKC from a dream of possibility into a movement which unites more than a million Christians in prayer, in nearly 90% of countries worldwide, across 85 different denominations and traditions – so that friends and family, neighbours and colleagues might come to faith in Jesus Christ. Every person, household and church are encouraged to pray during the 11 days in their own way. It is our hope & prayer, that those who have not yet heard the Good News of Jesus Christ and His love for the world, will hear it for themselves and respond and follow Him. Specifically, we again invite each and every Christian across the globe to pray that God's Spirit might work in the lives of 5 people who have not responded with their 'Yes' to God's call.

Whether you have joined in 'Thy Kingdom Come' before or not, we invite you to take part & join in.

**CHRISTIAN AID WEEK:** Earlier in May we highlighted some of the work of Christian Aid in advance of Christian Aid Week 2025 which ended yesterday. There are offering envelopes available to make donations via the church collection plate, or donations can be made online direct to Christian Aid at <https://www.christianaid.org.uk/appeals/key-appeals/christian-aid-week>

**THANKS:** Alison Skinner received this response from Tree Aid following our Lent donation:

"On behalf of everyone at Tree Aid thank you so much for fundraising for us. You raised an amazing £128.00. Your gift means that more communities in dryland Africa can grow trees, restore land and transform their lives. Local people with local knowledge and expertise lead our work in the Sahel region of Africa. Together we work to find long-term solutions to poverty and the climate crisis. We collaborate to grow trees, improve people's incomes and restore and protect land. Your support will enable communities to lift themselves out of poverty. For example through the set-up of women's cooperatives across the most arid areas of West Africa, cooperative members will be supported to improve their livelihoods through working collectively. We support people to manage the effects of the climate crisis on their land now and stop more fertile soil being lost in the future. None of this would be possible without support such as this - thank you."

**LEICESTER TRINITY CIRCUIT** Sunday Evening services for 2025: 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 Zinthiya 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.

**MONTHLY CELL GROUP:** We have started reading a new book. We shall be looking at "The Lord and His Prayer" by Tom Wright. He is a former

Bishop of Durham and has written a large number of aids to studying most of the books of the New Testament. He brings his wide theological studies to aid understanding and writes in a very readable manner. We would welcome new members to our group so please feel free to contact Dee Brunning on 0116 241 8742 if you would be interested.

**EASYFUNDRAISING:** We've had 9 donations in the last 30 days, thanks to our supporters using #easyfundraising when they make online purchases! Please keep up the good work, your donations are very appreciated. It's never too late to sign up and help us if you haven't already. Plus, join today and we could win a £250 donation:  
<https://join.easyfundraising.org.uk/bishop-street-met-ch-/bgaeq2/c2s/128FF5bb/CE949/facebook/9>

**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.

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