

BISHOP STREET METHODIST CHURCH

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

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Notices for

Sunday 3rd August 2025

Revd Derek McLean (MHA Sunday)

10.45am SUNDAY SERVICES for Aug 2025	
10 th Aug	Revd Liam Dacre-Davis (Holy Communion)
17 th Aug	Richard Tinley
24 th Aug	Ashutosh Desai

If you are able to help with the after-service refreshments or as a welcomer for the service, please sign up via the rota, or speak to one of the stewards for more information.

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

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.

ANNUAL GIFT DAY: Sunday 20th July has been designated our Annual Gift Day. This is an opportunity to consider if we can make an additional donation to Church Funds, over and above our weekly giving, as our situations allow. Gift envelopes will be available on Sunday, or if you

would like to make a bank transfer please see Martin Briers or Revd Liam Dacre-Davis for the details.

The Finance and Property team are also pleased to be able to report two pieces of good news: 1) The **Church heater**, which was deemed unusable early this year, has been repaired last week. An engineer with the relevant skill and knowledge was found, and he has been able to repair and certify it as safe to use. This gives us a better breathing space as we consider how to shift away from gas heating. 2) The **Circuit Meeting** has approved a grant over 3 years to support the work we do through Chris's post, with the community activities and self-help groups in the Church buildings.

This support will ease our financial situation from 2025-26, but in the meantime we are still facing a significant deficit in the current year. This is why the Gift Day is so important to this year's finances. Anything we can offer towards the ambitious target of £3,200 set in the budget for the year will be a huge help in meeting our Church's needs.

CIRCUIT WELCOME SERVICE: On Sunday August 31st there will not be a morning service at Bishop Street. Instead we will be joining with all the Churches of the Leicester Trinity Circuit for a service to welcome Revd Ian Hui as a new member of the staff team. The service will be held at 10.30am at **Wigston Magna Methodist Church**. This will be a great opportunity to meet up with a much wider range of Leicester Methodists. To ensure as many can attend as possible, we will be aiming to provide lifts for people without transport. If you would like a lift, or if you can offer space in a vehicle, please speak with one of the stewards over the next few weeks, or get a message to Liam.

BISHOP STREET WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY. We are delighted to announce that the Bible Study discussion group that meets on Thursday lunch times will be continuing to meet and continue their reading through Luke's Gospel. A small group will be making this happen at 12 noon to 1.00pm each Thursday and would welcome any Members and Friends who would like to join them in the Church Prayer Corner.

MONTHLY CELL GROUP: We have started reading a new book. We are 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 meet at lunchtime on the 2nd Wednesday of the month and would welcome new members to our group so please feel free to contact Dee Brunning on 0116 241 8742 if you would be interested.

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.

EASYFUNDRAISING: Did you know that you can help us receive regular donations by doing your weekly food shops via easyfundraising? You can still order from all the usual online outlets, and it doesn't affect the price! Plus, if you take their supermarket poll, you can enter us into a prize draw to win £1,000! If you're not supporting us on easyfundraising yet, sign up here before you shop: <https://join.easyfundraising.org.uk/bishop-street-met-ch-/bgaeq2/c2s/JaEWqFhr/CE039/facebook/>

METHODIST YOUNG ADULTS: '*The Leadership Year*' is an exciting opportunity for 18-30 year olds across the connexion who want to invest time in developing their leadership abilities. It's aimed at those just starting out in leadership, or those who are thinking about leadership.

As a participant of *the Leadership Year* you will:

- take part in 3 residential weekends (Nov, March, July) exploring leadership
- be part of a group with other 18-30 year olds – a chance to make new friendship and support one another

- have the opportunity to meet in a small group between the residential weekends
- have the opportunity to take part in local/Connexional events
- have the opportunity to be mentored or coached

Being a participant on *the Leadership Year* can easily fit around your other commitments, such as work and study. We ask that you commit to attending the 3 weekends and then join in with the other opportunities as much as you can.

There is lots more information at <https://www.methodist.org.uk/for-churches/ministries/children-youth-family-ministry/methodist-young-adults/leadershipyear/> or please talk with Liam if this is something you are interested in.

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.

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