

BISHOP STREET METHODIST CHURCH

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

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Notices for

Sunday 24th August 2025

led by Ashutosh Desai

Sunday 31st August: NO SERVICE AT BISHOP STREET

10.30am Circuit Service for all, at Wigston Magna.

10.45am SUNDAY SERVICES for August/September 2025	
31 st August	10.30am Circuit Service at Wigston Magna Methodist Church, to welcome Revd Ian Hu. (No morning service at Bishop Street. See inside for more details, including options for getting a lift.)
7 th September	Revd Tony Pick
14 th September	Local Arrangement
21 st September	Revd Liam Dacre-Davis (Holy Communion)
28 th September	Revd Liam Dacre-Davis (Harvest Festival)

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.

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.

CONGRATULATIONS: We are pleased to report that Esther has got the A level grades she needed for a place to study Mathematics at Bristol University, and will therefore be heading there in mid-September. We wish her, and all who are moving on to the next phase of their studies, God's blessing as the new University term approaches.

BENEVOLENCE FUND: Your generous gifts have helped the church build up a healthy benevolence fund which has been used to help people – within and outside of our congregation – who find themselves in acute need of financial support. To enable this support to continue, the fund now needs replenishing. Once a month when our worship includes Holy Communion, there will be an additional collection.

However, there are other ways you can donate. You can place your donation in an envelope marked 'Benevolence Fund' and add it to the collection during any act of worship. Alternatively, you can make a Bacs transfer to the church with 'Benevolence Fund' as the reference. Many thanks for your continued support of God's work in this place.

GIFT DAY: We are delighted to report that the recent gift day for Church Funds has now exceeded £2,000. Thank you to all who helped make this happen, and to all who contribute week by week to enable us to maintain the life of the Church and contribute to the work of the Circuit and Connexion.

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 Hu 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 add your name to the list at Church, or speak with one of the stewards over the next few weeks, or get a message to Liam.

BISHOP STREET WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY. The Bible Study discussion group meets on Thursday lunch times to continue their reading through Luke's Gospel. A small group makes 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.

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 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-/bgaeg2/c2s/JaEWqFhr/CE039/facebook/>

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

METHODIST WOMEN IN BRITAIN: Our former member, Olive Ruvimbo Ruzvidzo will begin her tenure as Co-Chair of *Methodist Women in Britain* at a special service on Sunday, 21st September 2025, at 3:00 PM at Barnhill Methodist Church, Stamford, PE9 2AE. Reverend Charity Tozivepi Nzegwu will be preaching on the theme: "Woven Together: Threads of Faith, Hope and Love." We wish Olive well as she takes up this post.

ONLINE SHORT COURSE organised by the Centre for Global Wesleyan Theology, Wesley House, Cambridge

**John Wesley and the Church Fathers:
Ancient Wisdom for Today's Ministry.**

This course, led by the Rev'd Canon Dr Jason Radcliff, offers participants the chance to become more familiar with the sources of John Wesley's Theology and Ministry and appreciation of other Christian traditions. Four Tuesdays 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th October 2025 between 7pm and 9pm (UK Time) Early bird offer: £100 until 15th August (then £120). See www.wesley.cam.ac.uk for more details

ST PHILIP'S CENTRE: There is an opportunity to attend 4 sessions exploring the study of Paul and antisemitism. These will be in-person sessions, held at 10am on the 2nd Tuesday of each month from September to December, at the St Philip's Centre, Evington. Rev Dr Tom Wilson will lead all four sessions alongside a Jewish colleague. Speak to Revd Liam if you are interested in this.

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