

# BISHOP STREET METHODIST CHURCH

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

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## **Notices for Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> September 2025 10:45am Morning Service led by Revd Tony Pick**

<b>10.45am SUNDAY SERVICES for September/October 2025</b>	
14 <sup>th</sup> September	Local Arrangement
21 <sup>st</sup> September	Revd Liam Dacre-Davis (Holy Communion)
28 <sup>th</sup> September	Revd Liam Dacre-Davis (Harvest Festival)
5 <sup>th</sup> October	Revd Christopher Andam
12 <sup>th</sup> October	Local Arrangement
17 <sup>th</sup> October	Revd Liam Dacre-Davis (Holy Communion)
26 <sup>th</sup> October	Revd Sonia Hicks, Chair of the District, will lead our Church Anniversary

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.

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)

**RIDE AND STRIDE DAY:** On Saturday September 13<sup>th</sup> churches and chapels across Leicester and Leicestershire will be open to receive people doing sponsored walks and cycle rides to raise money for Leicestershire Historic Churches Trust. Bishop Street will be open from 10.00am to 3.00pm, both to sign in ride-and-striders and also for visitors to see the Church and heritage room for Heritage Open Days. Contact Mary Gill if you can be at the Church for some of the day.

If anyone would like to be sponsored to visit churches, either on foot or by bicycle, Mary Gill has some sponsor forms, and any money raised can be split between Bishop Street Church and the Historic Churches Trust, helping to raise much needed funds. Contact Robin if you are interested in this, or find details, with a list of the churches that are opening, at <https://www.lhct.org.uk/ride-and-stride/>

If you would like to join a cycling group that morning, Ride Leicester has organised an 11 mile ride to visit some city and county churches, starting from Town Hall Square at 10.00am. Details at <https://letsride.co.uk/rides/ride-leicester-leicestershire-historic-churches-trust-ride-stride-2025>

**NEW PRAYER HANDBOOK - 'Our Story, Our Song':** First of September is the start of the 'Methodist Year', and the 2025-26 Methodist Prayer Handbook is now available, free to Bishop Street members and friends. It has a double page of prayers for use on each day of the month, and each page focusses on a region of the world, a District within Britain and a facet of Methodist life and work. There is also a year-round Bible-reading scheme offering a framework for daily bible readings. We are hoping the handbooks are available to take this Sunday. Please sign the list when you collect yours, so we can see who still needs a copy.

**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)

## **HARVEST FESTIVAL 2025 and Gifts for those in need - 28th September**

This annual celebration of the bounty and beauty of creation will be led by our own minister, Rev'd Liam Dacre-Davis.

Our partner, the Zinthyia Trust will be receiving gifts our Harvest gifts to share with those they work with. Zinthyia has asked for donations of dry rations such as pasta, pasta sauce, rice, tinned food (vegetables and fruits), tea and sugar. If you are able to buy one or more of these items over the next few weeks, that would be much appreciated. Please bring them on Harvest Festival Sunday so that we can share the joy of this season with those who need support.

### **Bring and Share Harvest Lunch**

This year, Harvest Worship will be followed by an early lunch together. Bring and share - please bring a contribution to our lunch if you are able and stay and catch a bite together on this day of celebration.

**Forward Planning Meeting:** Monday 29th September - 7pm on Zoom.

This is a meeting to plan services and church outreach and activities over Christmas and into 2026.

**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.

**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 Zinthyia 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.

**EASYFUNDRAISING:** Great news, Bishop Street Methodist Church Leicester received £67.29 in #easyfundraising's Donation Day pay-out a couple of weeks ago! A huge thank you to everyone already supporting us - you're making a difference! Please keep raising donations for us with all your online shopping. Want to get involved? Sign up to support us and see your favourite online retailers donate to us for free whenever you shop with them. Sign up here:

<https://join.easyfundraising.org.uk/bishop-street-met-ch-/bgaeq2/dda1/U5SijpKB/Q2255/facebook/67.29>

**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 2<sup>nd</sup> 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.

**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.