

# BISHOP STREET METHODIST CHURCH

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

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## Notices for Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> March 2026 SUNDAY COMMUNION SERVICE 10:45am for Mothering Sunday led by Revd Liam Dacre-Davis

10.45am SUNDAY SERVICES for March/April 2026	
22 <sup>nd</sup> March	Colin Rodway
29 <sup>th</sup> March	Palm Sunday: Local Arrangement to include a ' <i>Passion Narrative</i> '
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April	<b>GOOD FRIDAY:</b> 11.00am <i>Easter Objects</i> : a reflection by way of images and words on the things mentioned in the Passion narrative. 1.00pm: Joseph Haydn's ' <i>The Seven Last Words of Christ</i> '. University of Leicester String Quartet
5 <sup>th</sup> April	<b>EASTER SUNDAY:</b> Revd Liam Dacre-Davis (Holy Communion)
12 <sup>th</sup> April	Richard Gill
19 <sup>th</sup> April	John Aldridge

Note: The next midweek communion, in the prayer corner, will be on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> April, led by Revd Liam Dacre-Davis.

**LENT 2026 – 'Let go, and be open':** A series of seven one-hour zoom reflections for Lent, using material prepared by the Methodist Church will be led by Revd Liam Dacre-Davis, the next being at 7pm on **Tuesday March 17th**. See back page for details. All our welcome.

## **LENT COLLECTION: Mary's Meals**

We have chosen Mary's Meals as our charity for donations in Lent. The UK based charity works with partners in Africa, India and Latin America to provide meals for children in school which aids their nutrition and concentration. There will be a box for donations each Sunday until Easter - please give generously.

**REFUGEE UPDATE:** The 2 Iranian refugees Marjan and Ali are now back in Evesham where they have wished to be. Having been granted a right to remain, they were obliged to leave their Leicester accommodation on Thursday March 5th last week and were collected by their Evesham minister. They are being accommodated for now by a congregation member and will move into a flat later when they have acquired the necessary furniture. We are pleased to report that the collection for them raised £290 and will be transferred to their minister for their use while getting established. Thanks to everyone for their generosity. It is good to know that they will have a happy and secure Easter.

## **EASTER OFFERING AND DEDICATION SERVICE.**

The tradition of fund raising for overseas mission began in Manchester in 1883 when Methodist women collected 'Christmas pennies' at family gatherings on Christmas day to support missionaries overseas. This tradition has continued and is now a collection taken at Easter. The envelopes came later and are designed for those who can Gift Aid their donation. These will be available from **Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> March** and on Easter Sunday with a plate for non Gift Aid donations. The money raised goes directly to fund the work of Mission Partners and the churches they serve in many parts of the world.

The Circuit Easter Offering Dedication Service will be held at Trinity Methodist Church Oadby on **Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> May** at 6.30pm using material prepared by Methodist Women in Britain (supported by the Global Relationships team), as a gift to the Methodist people. The 2026 focus is FREEDOM. The theme is *Unbound: a gospel that breaks the barrier*. Please speak to one of the stewards if you would like a lift. Service materials are available on line at <http://methodist.org.uk/EasterOffering>.  
Mary Gill, Easter Offering Service Organiser

**MONTHLY MIDWEEK COMMUNION.** Revd Liam will be leading a simple communion service of prayers (no singing) on **Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> April** at midday in the prayer corner. This will be repeated on the first Wednesday of each month. All are welcome.

**MONTHLY CELL GROUP:** We are now looking at Rowan Williams latest book, published last year. It is *Discovering Christianity: A guide for the curious*. It would be great if anyone else in the congregation might want to see what the former Archbishop of Canterbury is encouraging us to consider. Our usual meeting is on the second Wednesday in the month at 12-30. Please get in touch with Dee on 0116 241 8742 or speak to her after church to find out more.

**Note:** In March we are moving the date from our usual second Wednesday to the third one, ie 18th March.

**BISHOP STREET WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY.** The Bible Study discussion group meets on Thursday lunch times to continue our 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 us in the Church Prayer Corner.

**LEICESTER TRINITY CIRCUIT Sunday Evening services for 2026:** You are welcome to join us online at 6.00pm each Sunday. 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)

**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.

**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.

# LENT 2026

**Let go, and be open**

The Methodist Lent course for 2026 invites us to loosen our grip on what holds us back - habits, assumptions, fears - and open ourselves to the renewing power of God.

**WEEKLY**

**7 PM  
8 PM**



**Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> February**  
**Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> February**  
**Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March**  
**Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> March**  
**Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> March**  
**Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March**  
**Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> March**

Participate from the comfort of your own home! All sessions will take place via Zoom. For log in details, please contact Rev Liam: [liam.dacre-davis@methodist.org.uk](mailto: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.

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