

BISHOP STREET METHODIST CHURCH

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

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Minister: Rev Malcolm Oliver (for urgent pastoral matters to end of August)

MORNING SERVICE 10:45am

Notices for Sunday 26th JULY 2026

led by Ashutosh Desai and Richard Gill

10.45am SUNDAY SERVICES for August 2026	
2 nd August	Revd Kim Alexander
9 th August	Local Arrangement
16 th August	Richard Cawthorn
23 rd August	Revd Kate Cook (Holy Communion)
30 th August	10.30am Circuit Welcome Service at Oadby Methodist Church (no service here that morning)

PARTING MESSAGE: I would like to share my thanks for the incredible generosity of everyone who was able to contribute to the gift I received. I am full of appreciation! As I mentioned on Sunday, it really has been a privilege to lead alongside you at Bishop Street. Your grace along the way has been a great encouragement, and the last 5 years have truly nourished my ministry. Blessings for all that is ahead of you, Liam.

WELCOME SERVICE: On **Sunday 30th August** at 10:30am there will be a Circuit Welcome Service for Revd Shirlyn Toppin and Deacon Karen McBride at Oadby (Trinity) Church. Shirlyn will be the new Superintendent for the Leicester Trinity Circuit, and she will also take over Pastoral Care for Trinity MC Oadby. Karen will focus on city centre ministry, primarily based at Bishop St, a role which will include Chaplaincy at the University of Leicester. See below for an opportunity to sing in the choir that morning.

BISHOP STREET WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY. The Bible Study discussion group meets on Thursday lunch times and are beginning our reading through the Acts of the Apostles. 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.

MONTHLY MIDWEEK COMMUNION. This will restart in September on Wednesday 1st September at 12.00 noon. All are welcome.

MONTHLY CELL GROUP: This group is taking a rest in August but will meet again on Wednesday 9th September at 12.30pm. We have finished reading *Discovering Christianity: A guide for the curious* by Rowan Williams. We recommend this book as a way of identifying what Christians believe and practice.

We will be starting a new book, yet to be chosen.

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.

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: Our easyfundraising community has raised over £300 for Bishop Street Methodist Church so far - thank you so much! You can help us continue our success by supporting us on easyfundraising. The website enables small donations to the Church, at no cost to you, each time you buy items, including insurance, travel, groceries and general shopping. For more details on how to sign up see:

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/bishop-street-met-ch>

ANOTHER WELCOME SERVICE! ANOTHER CIRCUIT CHOIR!

As we prepare to welcome Reverend Shirlyn and Deacon Karen into the Leicester Trinity Circuit, we are gathering a Circuit Choir to take part in the Welcome Service at Oadby Trinity on **Sunday 30th August at 10.30am**. Would you like to take part?

Rehearsals are as follows:- (all at 7pm)

Friday 14 August 7pm at Christchurch, Baptist/ Methodist Church, Clarendon Park Road LE2 3AH

Friday 21 August 7pm at Syston Methodist Church, High Street, Syston LE7 7LB 28

Friday August 7pm at Oadby Trinity Methodist Church, Harborough Road, Oadby LE2 4LA

You are expected to come to two of these rehearsals, and the one on the 28th is compulsory. If you can make all three that's splendid! It would be helpful if you could contact me to let me know you are coming and what voice part you usually sing.

My details are in the Circuit Plan Please bring a copy of Singing the Faith to the rehearsals with you—and lots of enthusiasm! Rev'd Kate Cook

COSBY YARBOMB. Cosby Methodist Church would like to invite you to Cosby Yarnbomb.

It is spectacular - loved by all ages.

'Around the World in 80 Displays.'

There is a Community Cafe each day, and the Methodist Church will be open from 2 - 4 on Thursday 16th and 23rd for our regular free Cuppa and Chatter.

Displays are now in place and will be up until July 29th. A good day out!

LEICESTER TRINITY CIRCUIT Sunday Evening services for 2026: You are welcome to join us online at 6.00pm each Sunday. Please note: the zoom link can be obtained from the circuit office:

office@leicestertrinitycircuit.org.uk

The final 'Circuit Summer Evening Service' will be held at **Wigston Magna Methodist Church** at 6.00pm on Sunday August 2nd. The service will be preceded by Tea and Cake at 5.00pm. We look forward to welcoming you.



The poster features a logo at the top left consisting of a stylized tree with colorful circular leaves in shades of green, orange, red, blue, and purple. To the right of the tree, the text 'Methodist Schools' is written in red. Below this, the main title 'Chaplaincy Experience Day' is displayed in large, bold, blue letters. Underneath the title, a subtitle reads 'Explore school chaplaincy, Methodist ethos and practical next steps for job shadowing.' On the right side, there is a 'Book now' button with a calendar icon, a QR code, and the text 'Scan the QR code to book your place.' At the bottom, a white banner contains three items: a calendar icon with 'Thursday 20 August 2026', a clock icon with '10.30am - 3.30pm', and a location pin icon with 'Methodist Church House, 25 Tavistock Place, London WC1H 9SF'.

If you are interested in finding out about being a Methodist School chaplain, there is a day event at the London Methodist HQ. Follow the QR link or contact Robin or the Church office for the full poster.

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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