



BISHOP STREET METHODIST CHURCH

...serving people in Leicester City Centre (Reg. charity 1129068)
through welcome, worship and mission.

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(The Centre Administrator, Chris Parker is on holiday 25 June - 10 July incl.

Rev. Fran Rhys will be in the office 10 - 4pm on Wednesdays.)

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NOTICES for 4th July, 2021

This Sunday 4th July at 10.45am is a Local Arrangement service for Action for Children Sunday, facilitated by Mary Gill.

Volunteers are needed to clean pews, door handles, light switches, and railings etc before worship on July 4th. Please email fran.rhys@methodist.org.uk if you can help in this way, while Chris is on holiday.

On-line Worship

The Sunday service will be recorded and the basic video will be available on an unlisted Youtube link from late lunchtime on Sunday. If you would like to be sent the link to watch later on Sunday or in the week, please request this from Miriam (mcc9@le.ac.uk). We will also mount the link on the blog (see link below).

The service Mary Gill has prepared for us will be presented on the Sunday Stuff blog for worship at home by Sunday morning

<https://bishopstreetmethodistchurchsundaystuff.wordpress.com/>

You can take part in a live online Sunday service from Methodist Central Hall Westminster every Sunday 11.00am at <https://mchw.live>

These are links to current Sunday Morning Zoom worship in the Leicester Trinity Circuit

Oadby/ Great Glen/ Houghton section 10.30am

<https://zoom.us/j/99439153520?pwd=OFdLQ2dWb2ZkWmx3NXJ3cmdHYkpwUT09>

Meeting ID: 994 3915 3520

Passcode: 075510

Telephone 0208 080 6592

Birstall/ Rothley section 10.30am

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86491699343?pwd=aGJCWmdaUVBoMGg2aVpmanlLc1NLUT09>

Meeting ID: 864 9169 9343

Passcode: 155785

Wigston Magna/ Blaby / Countesthorpe section 10.30am

Meeting ID: 839 9997 4532

Pass code: 142656

Telephone: 0208 080 6592

The Sunday evening Circuit service on 4 July at 6pm will be led by Rev'd Ivan Bennett from the Church of the Nativity. The link is given here.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87603771006?pwd=OTFSQ2JiL3hkWUp1NnU1b1ZiVDJudz09>

Meeting ID: 876 0377 1006

Passcode: 281338

If you wish to join by telephone, dial 0203 901 7895, and be ready to enter the Meeting ID and Passcode.

The Chapel Cafe is open, Monday - Saturday 10am – 4pm. (3pm on Saturdays)

Masks are needed, until you are seated at a table. Table-service will be provided. Groups of up to six can gather at a table - or two households of any size.

Mid-week worship takes place on Wednesdays between 1-1.30pm. The service will be led by Rev. Fran Rhys.

Exhibition: No Bars Music is in the Chapel Gallery between now and 5 July. There are wonderful, large, black and white portrait photographs of Leicester musical role-models taken by members of Lo-Fi photography. Lo-Fi is housed in the basement of the church. <https://www.facebook.com/ArtatTheChapel.BishopStreet/>

Methodist Conference: You can see some of the results of deliberations at Methodist Conference at the link below. Look under 'Daily Record'. There have been a lot of significant discussions and decisions this year. For example, on-line Communion is being trialed for 3 years, starting from 1 September, with permission of the superintendent minister, though it cannot be recorded and used at a later date. Conference has affirmed the presence of God in the relationships of co-habitees who aren't married, and from 2 September ministers will be able to conduct marriages for two people of the same sex, providing their conscience allows and the Church Council has supported this and registered this intent with the General Register Office. An Inclusive Church strategy has been adopted on the guidelines of justice, dignity, and solidarity. This work is being headed by former minister at Bishop Street, Jill Marsh.

<https://www.methodist.org.uk/about-us/the-methodist-conference/conference-2021/daily-record-papers-and-notice-of-motion/>

Presentations by the new President, Sonia Hicks, and Vice-President, Barbara Easton are well worth hearing or reading on this link:

<https://www.methodist.org.uk/about-us/the-methodist-conference/conference-2021/presidency/the-presidents-and-vice-presidents-addresses-to-the-methodist-conference-2021/>

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