

BISHOP STREET METHODIST CHURCH

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

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Notices for
Sunday 28th September 2025
10:45am HARVEST FESTIVAL
Service
led by Liam Dacre-Davis

10.45am SUNDAY SERVICES for October 2025

5 th October	Revd Christopher Andam
12 th October	Local Arrangement
17 th October	Revd Liam Dacre-Davis (Holy Communion)
26 th October	Revd Peter Grimwood will lead our Church Anniversary. Peter was a member at Bishop Street in the 1980s before becoming a Methodist Minister. (nb Sonia Hicks, Chair of the District, is unable to take this service and will hopefully join us at a future date)

FLOWERS FOR HARVEST FESTIVAL: The display of real sunflowers at the heart of our Harvest decorations were provided by Mary Roberts in memory of her dear parents Walter and Irene Sharpe. We thank her for her welcome contribution to our floral worship.

Our thanks also to Victoria for her invaluable contribution to the harvest decorations, and to the regular flower displays in Church. She enjoys making colourful arrangements for the windows

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 our Harvest gifts and has suggested donations of dry rations such as pasta, pasta sauce, rice, tinned food (vegetables and fruits), tea and sugar. 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.



ALL ARE WELCOME: Last week, after our morning service, we made a tiny video snippet of the congregation gathering at the front of the Church, to record ourselves affirming that 'All are Welcome' in our Church. This has now been

rolled in with lots of similar videos from around the Methodist Connexion to make a short video which has been posted on YouTube, and can be seen at <https://youtu.be/iyVrOwyv3Z0> (If you are looking for us you will need to pay special attention around 1:38)

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.

NEW AND PROGRESSING STUDENTS. We remember all students who are moving on to the next phase of their studies, and pray God's blessing as the new University term approaches. If you have just arrived to study at one of the Leicester Universities, 'Welcome'. Please make yourself known to people, and stay for a tea/coffee and a chat after the service if you are able.

MEMBERSHIP CLASSES: Revd Liam Dacre-Davis held a session on **Monday 15th September**, exploring membership. If you didn't make it to that meeting but would like more information (whether you wish to become members or not) please speak to Revd Liam, or email him at liam.dacre-davis@methodist.org.uk

NEW PRAYER HANDBOOK - 'Our Story, Our Song': September is the start of the 'Methodist Year', and the 2025-26 Methodist Prayer Handbook is still 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. The handbooks are now available to take this Sunday. Please sign the list when you collect yours, so we can see who still needs a copy.

RIDE AND STRIDE DAY: Saturday 13th September. We had 23 people visit as part of the Ride and Stride day raising funds for Leicestershire Historic Churches Trust (Over 300 churches were open across the city and county). 27 people came in to visit the Heritage Room. The cafe also benefited from increased numbers of customers. Thanks to Dee, Margaret, Alison, Gabriela and Mary for being there on the day.

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.

LEICESTER TRINITY CIRCUIT Sunday Evening services for 2025: 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

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.

ECOCHURCH: Following on from the recent service that considered our responsibilities in caring for the resources needed for life, there is an opportunity to add your voice to a campaign to lobby governments attending COP 30 in Brazil later this year: ***Change starts with Water:*** Please read the letter on the Water Aid web site about the need for change for communities affected by the climate crisis. Please consider adding your name to this campaign. www.wateraid.org/uk/sign

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.

REFRESHMENTS: 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.

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