## **BISHOP STREET METHODIST CHURCH**

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

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## Notices for Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> October 2025

## 10:45am Morning Service reflecting on Black History Month local arrangement led by The Bishop Street Worship Team

10.45am SUNDAY SERVICES for October/November 2025	
19 <sup>th</sup> October	Revd Liam Dacre-Davis (Holy Communion)
26 <sup>th</sup> October	Revd Peter Grimwood will lead our <b>Church Anniversary</b> . 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)
2 <sup>nd</sup> November	Revd Kim Alexander
9 <sup>th</sup> November	Local Arrangement for Remembrance Sunday. This year we will be focussing on Walter Tull, an early black professional footballer and Methodist, who died in the first world war.
16 <sup>th</sup> November	Revd Liam Dacre-Davis (Holy Communion). We are hoping this service will include welcoming of new Church Members.

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.

**REQUEST FOR VOLUNTEERS:** On the 12th of November (6.30pm), Rev Dr Tom Wilson (Director of the St Phillip's Centre) will visit Bishop Street for the launch of his new book, 'Safer Faiths, Safer Followers: Understanding and Countering Spiritual Abuse in Faith Communities.'

As part of this booking, the church is asked to provide refreshments (soft drinks, samosas, crisps, an eggless cake, etc. – all vegetarian/vegan). It's estimated that the event will be catering for about 40 people. If you think you may be able to help purchase any refreshments and assist on the night (i.e. set up the refreshments for self-service), that would be much appreciated.

Any purchases will be reimbursed, but please do communicate with me first so we have a good understanding of what will be provided. Many thanks, Rev Liam Dacre-Davis

ALL ARE WELCOME: At our recent communion 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 <a href="https://youtu.be/iyVrOwyv3Z0">https://youtu.be/iyVrOwyv3Z0</a> (If you are looking for us you will need to pay special attention around 1:38)

**CHURCH MEETINGS:** The Pastoral Team will be meeting after the service today (Oct 12<sup>th</sup>). On Monday Evening at 7pm we will be holding our Autumn Church Council meeting.

**FORWARD PLANNING MEETING:** This meeting met recently to make plans for the services and church outreach and activities over Christmas and into 2026. The next meeting, open to all who would like to contribute to our Lent and Easter plans, is to by zoom on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> January 2026.

**MEMBERSHIP CLASSES:** Revd Liam Dacre-Davis recently held a session exploring Methodist 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 <a href="mailto:liam.dacre-davis@methodist.org.uk">liam.dacre-davis@methodist.org.uk</a>

**NEW AND PROGRESSING STUDENTS.** We remember all students who are moving on to the next phase of their studies, and pray God's blessing for the new University term. If you have recently 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.

2025-26 PRAYER HANDBOOK - 'Our Story, Our Song': This 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.

**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. <a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/bishopstreet/">https://www.facebook.com/groups/bishopstreet/</a>. <a href="Instagram">Instagram</a> Account for the Church. @bishopstreetchurch.



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.

**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.

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