## **BISHOP STREET METHODIST CHURCH**

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

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## Notices for Sunday 23rd November 2025 10:45am Morning Service led by Susan Alexander

10.45am SUNDAY SERVICES for November/December 2025	
30 <sup>th</sup> November	Revd Liam Dacre-Davis: Advent Sunday.
	This will be our 'Christmas Gift Service': an opportunity to donate items that will be given to people who may get few gifts this Christmas. (See inside for more details)
7 <sup>th</sup> December	Revd Liam Dacre-Davis: Baptism Service for Luca
14 <sup>th</sup> December	Local Arrangement: Carols and Nativity Play
21 <sup>st</sup> December	Revd Liam Dacre-Davis: Christmas Communion
Thur 25 <sup>th</sup> Dec	<b>10.00am</b> Christmas Morning Service led by Revd Liam Dacre-Davis

**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.

To receive these notices by email each week, (or to unsubscribe) please send a request by email to Chris at the Church office: office@bishopstreetchurch.org.uk

WINTER NIGHT SHELTER, ONE ROOF LEICESTER: "Since we had to close the Winter Night Shelter in 2020 due to the Covid pandemic, we've been offering alternative winter accommodation each year to people who are rough sleeping. Sadly, with the rising number of people sleeping rough across the City and County, we have made the decision to reopen the shelter this winter.

This year, we will be running a static night shelter based in Charles St Baptist Church in the city centre. The shelter will open from 1st December 2025 to 31st March 2026. We'll be welcoming up to 20 guests each night, providing a safe, warm space from 9pm to 8am, along with hot and cold refreshments.

We're really excited to reopen the shelter and would be thrilled if you'd consider volunteering with us. If you have time free in the evening or overnight and would like to help our night shelter be a success we would love to hear from you. Find out more about volunteering for the Winter Night Shelter on our website: https://www.oneroof.org.uk/ourwork/winter-night-shelter"

**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

**EASYFUNDRAISING:** Our incredible easyfundraising community has raised £30.37 for Bishop Street Methodist Church Leicester this #DonationDay - thank you so much! You can help us continue our success by supporting us on easyfundraising.

\*\*\* EXTRA BONUS \*\*\* Sign up to support us on the easyfundraising app today and we'll get a £2 bonus:

https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/easyfundraising-

app/?causeId=320903&utm\_source=whatsapp&utm\_medium=page-share-box&utm\_campaign=dd-nov-25

CHRISTMAS GIFT SUNDAY: On Advent Sunday, 30<sup>th</sup> November, we will be receiving items to give to people who may get very little this Christmas. We will be sharing via the Women's Refuge, One Roof Leicester, and After 18 (support for asylum seekers). The items generally needed include nice toiletries, Christmas goodies (biscuits, chocolates) and little festive items such as hats, scarves, fluffy socks, etc. Also education stationery packs which After18 give to students at school or college. Winter hats, scarves, gloves, socks and toiletries for young men are always appreciated.

Please bring unwrapped presents so they can be directed to appropriate people. Thanks for anything you can donate.

We will also have a 'Postbox' to share cards with other Church members, available from December, alongside an opportunity to send a 'collective card' to everyone at Church.

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

**MONTHLY CELL GROUP:** We are about to start Rowan Williams latest book, publishes earlier this 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 made the former Archbishop of Canterbury decide it's an appropriate offering for 2025.

Although our usual meeting is on the second Wednesday in the month, just for December we shall be meeting on the first **Wednesday 3rd December** at 12-30. Please get in touch with Dee on 0116 241 8742 or speak to her after church this Sunday to find out more.

## ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS REFLECTIONS:

## You are a gift. Made with love.



The Methodist Church's Christmas Campaign for 2025 is 'Gifted' reaching out to people with a message of hope and love. It celebrates the gifts we receive from God, the gift of church community and the gift of the Christchild. At Bishop Street we will

follow this theme and material through Advent. You can see the range of resources and sign up for weekly emails during Advent via: https://www.methodist.org.uk/for-churches/christmasresources/

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.