

Bristol and South Gloucestershire Methodist Circuit

**LAY WORKER to support minister in
SOUTH BRISTOL METHODIST CHURCH (SBMC)**

The postholder will support the minister in pastoral work, help lead nurture groups, Bible studies and Alpha courses, and take part in developing the church's mission. They will lead/co-lead services in care homes and, if qualified, occasional Sunday worship. The role includes attending key church meetings, following safeguarding protocols, and meeting regularly with the minister for review and support. Supervision will be provided in line with Connexional guidelines.

Required Experience / Qualifications

Essential:

- Pastoral skills and ability to relate well to others
- Able to lead small groups and Bible studies
- Good communication, organisation and IT skills
- Ability to work well in a team
- Commitment to ongoing learning and Christian faith
- Sympathy with Methodist values

Desirable:

- Experience with older people
- Mental Health First Aid training or experience supporting mental ill health
- Experience leading worship/preaching (e.g., Local Preacher or Worship Leader)

Salary: In line with similar roles in the sector.

Hours: 17,5 per week

Location: Bedminster Methodist Church, British Road, Bedminster, Bristol. BS3 3BW.

How to apply: Further information about the appointment can be obtained on request. If you sense God may be calling you to this exciting opportunity, please contact the Senior Circuit Steward, Mr Pete Jones at: petecircuitsteward@bsgc.org.uk

Closing date: Friday, 28th November 2025

A fixed appointment of 12 months from the start date.

The post is subject to an occupational requirement that the holder be a committed Christian under Part 1 of Schedule 9 to the Equality Act 2010.

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<https://www.bsgc.org.uk/welcome.htm>

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