The Methodist Church
Southampton District

The Winchester, Eastleigh & Romsey Circuit

(Circuit No 26/2)

WINTER PREACHING PLAN

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DECEMBER 2026 – FEBRUARY 2027

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Revd PJ Brombley	Revd Andrew de Ville
Revd Kate Cambridge	Revd Rachael Hawkins

Retired Ministers

Revd John Archer	Revd Robert Kitching	Revd Eric Renouf*
Revd Catherine Bowstead	Revd Dr Howard Mellor	
Revd Bryan Coates	Revd Robert Powell*	

Local Lay-Pastors

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Mr Jon Hughes (Alresford)
Mrs Su Parsons (Cadnam)

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Circuit Treasurer Mr Don Simons

Circuit Website c/o Sonia Craig

Staff Days Off / Days not doing Circuit Work

Revd Peter Rayson	Friday
Revd PJ Brombley	Friday
Revd Kate Cambridge	regular day off Monday or Friday
Revd Andrew de Ville	Friday
Revd Rachael Hawkins	Saturday
Mr Sam Barnes	Wednesday
Mr Peter Castle	Tuesday
Mrs Sonia Craig	Weekends
Mr Jonathan Hughes	Monday
Mrs Jane Padley	Monday
Mrs Susan Parsons	Mondays and Fridays

Note: For all contact details please see the Circuit Directory which is available from Senior Church Stewards.

AREA MINISTRY TEAMS

SOUTHERN AREA	Cadnam, Landford/Canada Common/Wellow Area, Romsey
CENTRAL AREA	Bishopstoke, Chandler's Ford, Colden Common with Twyford, St Andrew's, St Francis
NORTHERN AREA	Alresford, United, Wesley and King's Somborne

LOCAL PREACHERS

1958$	Mr Stan Roberts	1994$	Mrs Pam Madders
1962*	Mrs Maureen Heath	1996	Miss Barbara Hillier
1967*	Mrs Jill Ford	1997	Mrs Pat Fry
1973*	Mrs Pam Rowntree	1998*	Mr David Wrighton
1978	Dr Mike Wood	2000*	Mrs Beth Sharratt
1981$	Mr Nicholas Langham	2003	Mr Bradley Newman
1983	Dr John Evans	2006$	Miss Pamela Gilbert
1987	Mrs Sue Carter	2007	Mrs Su Parsons
1988	Mr Tom Belshaw	2008	Mrs Marion Carter
1988	Mr Graham Hepburn	2008	Dr Lesley Ritchie
1988	Mr Jeremy Sykes	2009	Mr Jonathan Hughes
1990*	Mrs Margaret Crossley	2010	Mrs Elizabeth Britton
1990	Mrs Pat Sharp	2010*	Mrs Jane Rogers
1992*	Mr Mike Hatch	2014	Mr Jason Elkin
1993*	Mrs Margaret Smithson	2016	Mrs Sandra Timms
1993	Mr Mike Bowstead	2020	Mr Stewart MacLachlan
1994	Mr Peter Castle	2020$	Mrs Victoria Parkinson
		2022$	Mrs Margaret Axford

ON TRIAL 2025 Mr Andrew La Follette

Not active
$ Active, but not taking appointments this quarter
 # Conference Authorisation to preside at Holy Communion

OTHER PREACHERS

Cadnam	c/o Mrs Hilary Babey	St Francis	c/o Fiona Grove
Romsey	c/o Mrs Cathryn Simons	MWiB Group	c/o Mrs Hilary Evans
Revd G Watts	c/o Mrs Sonia Craig		

WORSHIP LEADERS

CADNAM
2014 Mrs Julia McKinley
2011 Mr Wyatt Parsons

CHANDLER'S FORD
2007 Miss Anne Heath

COLDEN COMMON
2007 Mrs Jenny Barker
2007 Dr Madelyn Dakeyne

LANDFORD
2010 Mrs Deirdre Westmore

ROMSEY
2011 Mr Bob Bourne
2011 Mrs Irene Bourne
2011 Mrs Meghan Elkin
2011 Mr Wyatt Parsons
2025 Mrs Maggie Blair

ST ANDREW'S
2007 Mrs Ann Squire

WESLEY and KING'S SOMBORNE
2007 Mr Richard Rogers
2015 Mr Paul Yarrien
2026 Mrs Marilyn Bolton
2026 Mr Clever Safurawu

CIRCUIT MEETINGS & EVENTS

Circuit Meeting:	Wednesday 2nd December, 7.30pm	Romsey
CLT Meeting:	Tuesday 2nd February, 7.30pm	Ch Ford
Local Preachers & WL Mtg:	Wednesday 3rd March, 7.30pm	Romsey
Circuit Stewards' Meeting:	Tuesday 9th March, 7.30pm	Ch Ford

Links for Livestream Services

Chandler's Ford joining details from Richard Wright - richardwright@outlook.com

Romsey via YouTube link on website: https://www.romseymethodist.church/

St Andrew's, Eastleigh https://www.youtube.com/c/EastleighMethodists

St Francis, Valley Park https://stfrancis-valleypark.org.uk
www.bit.ly/SFCzoom (no password required)

United YouTube: https://tinyurl.com/ucw-services
UCW website: https://ucw.org.uk/streamed-services/

Wesley, Weeke via Church website https://www.wesleychurch.org.uk/
https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCO8WZEdw0I3zk7qjKyNux3A

PLAN ABBREVIATIONS

A	All In Worship
AA	All Age Worship
AFC	Action for Children
B	Baptism
BC	Breakfast Church
BM	Bible Month
CA	Church Anniversary
CAS	Christian Aid Service
Café	Café Service
CC	Church Council
CM	Church Meeting
Cov	Covenant Service
CS	Circuit Service
CSS	Climate Sunday Service
ExTog	Explore Together
FS	Funday Sunday
GCM	General Church Meeting
GD	Gift Day
HC	Holy Communion
HF	Harvest Festival
HH	Holy Habits
Hol	Holiday Club
IG	Intergenerational Service
JS	Joint Service
LA	Local Arrangement
MS	Mission Service
MWiB	Methodist Women in Britain
NAT	Nativity
PVR	Pastoral Visitors Rededication
ReF	ReFresh Service
US	United Service
VID	Video Message
WFE	Worship for Everyone
WL	Worship Leader led
ZF	Zimbabwean Fellowship

CANADA COMMON CHAPEL SERVICES

Unless otherwise stated all services (including Bible Month) are led by either Revd Andrew de Ville or Pastor Peter Castle

Sunday 13th December 2.30 pm: Christmas Celebration Service at Wellow Village Hall. Organised by Pastor Peter Castle, with Joint Churches Together in Wellow. Speaker: Dr. Pete Aird

Wednesday 20th January 2027, 2.00 pm: Canada Common Methodist Chapel's Covenant Service Led by Rev. Andrew de Ville.

Wednesday 17th February 2027, 2.00 pm: Reflection Service led by Pastor Peter Castle.

DECEMBER 2026		**6th Advent 2**	**13th Advent 3**	**20th Advent 4**	**27th**
Alresford	10:30	Rayson HC	No Morning service 3pm Carol Service Hughes	Castle	- - -
Bishopstoke	10:30	Cambridge HC/ CA	C Bowstead	Sharp	JS at St. Andrew's
Cadnam	10:30	de Ville HC	Timms	Parsons Family Carols	Parsons
	18:30	Rayson	LA	4.30pm de Ville Family Carols	LA
Chandler's Ford	9.00	9:30am Hawkins BC	Hawkins HC	- - -	- - -
	10.30	Hawkins Toy service	Hawkins	Kitching HC	LA
	18.30	- - -	- - -	Hawkins Carols	- - -
	Thurs 10:30	**10th Dec** Hawkins	**17th Dec** Archer	**24th Dec** - - -	**31st Dec** - - -
Colden Common with Twyford	10:30	Archer	Rayson HC	M Bowstead	LA
King's Somborne	10:30	Parsons	Kitching HC	Wood Carols	- - -

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Landford Methodist	10.30	Café Gathering de Ville (vid)	Café Gathering Sykes	Café Gathering Nativity de Ville	MacLachlan Methodist service
Landford St. Andrew's C of E	11.00				
Romsey	9.15	- - -	10am Funday Sunday	- - -	- - -
	10:30	Elkin	de Ville HC	Cambridge Christingle	LA - Cafe
	18.30	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -
St Andrew's	10:30	Hughes Exp	Cambridge HC	Hawkins Exp	LA
	12:30	6pm Prayer and Praise LA	12.30 pm Cambridge HC/ZF 6.30pm JS One Achord Christmas Evening service	4pm Cambridge Christingle	- - -
St Francis	08:30	Williams/ Brombley	Brombley/ Clarke	Brombley/ Barlow	- - -
	10:00	Williams/ Brombley	10am Brombley/ Clarke 3pm Messy Christmas Hiscock	Brombley/ Bazzo AA	Grew/ Williams
United Church	09:00	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -
	10:30	Messer HC	La Follette	P Fry et al Carols	Mellor et al
Wesley	10:30	Hepburn	10.30am Ritchie 6.30pm Rayson Community Carols	Rayson Nativity	- - -
Service at Home		The Vine	P Fry	The Vine	The Vine

JANUARY 2027		**3rd Covenant**	**10th**	**17th**	**24th**	**31st**
Alresford	10:30	Britton	C Bowstead	Rayson HC/ COV	Hughes	MacLachlan
Bishopstoke	10:30	10.45am United Service at St. Mary's	Castle	Ritchie	Cambridge HC/COV	Wood
Cadnam	10:30	Evans	Parsons/ de Ville HC/ COV	La Follette	Joint Service at St. Mary's Copythorne Parsons	Parsons
	18:30	LA	Parsons	de Ville	de Ville	Parsons
Chandler's Ford	09.00	- - -	Hawkins HC	- - -	- - -	- - -
	10.30	10am Combined service Hawkins	Hawkins HC/COV	Archer	Hawkins	Hawkins HC
	18.30	- - -	- - -	Hawkins HC	- - -	- - -
	Thurs 10:30	**7th Jan** Hawkins	**14th Jan** Hillier	**21st Jan** P Fry	**28th Jan** Timms	**4th Feb** Archer
Colden Common with Twyford	10:30	Wood	Rayson HC/COV	Hepburn	Evans	JS with Holy Trinity at HT
King's Somborne	10.30	MacLachlan	LA	- - -	Castle	Rayson HC/COV

JANUARY 2027		3rd Covenant	10th	17th	24th	31st
Landford Methodist **Landford St Andrew's C of E**	10:30	Café Gathering de Ville (vid)	Café Gathering Newman	Cafe Gathering Sykes	de Ville Methodist Service HC/COV	tbc
	11:00					
Romsey	09:15	- - -	10am Funday Sunday	- - -	de Ville HC	- - -
	10:30	de Ville HC	Tizzard	de Ville	LA IG	M Carter
	16.30	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -
St Andrew's	10.30	Hughes Exp	Cambridge HC/COV	Cambridge Exp	MWiB	Sharp
	12.30	6pm Prayer and Praise LA	Cambridge HC/ZF	- - -	- - -	- - -
St Francis	08:30	Brombley /Grew				
	10:00	Brombley /Grew				
United Church	09:00	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -
	10:30	Mellor HC/COV	Coates	M Bowstead	CTiW Pulpit Exchange	LA Songs of Praise
Wesley	10:30	Rayson HC/COV	Timms	LA	CTiW Pulpit Exchange	de Ville Ref
Service at Home		The Vine	P Fry	The Vine	Archer	The Vine

FEBRUARY 2027		**7th**	**14th**	**21st**	**28th**
Alresford	10:30	Ritchie	Rayson HC	Hughes	Hepburn
Bishopstoke	10:30	Castle 10.45am US at St. Mary's	Britton MHA	Rayson	Cambridge HC/CC
Cadnam	10:30	Cole	Parsons	de Ville HC	MacLachlan
	18:30	Cole	de Ville	Rayson	Parsons
Chandler's Ford	9.00	9:30am Hawkins BC	Rayson HC	- - -	- - -
	10.30	Hawkins Songs of Praise	La Follette	Archer	Hawkins HC
	18.30	- - -	- - -	de Ville	- - -
	Thurs 10:30	**11th Feb** MacLachlan	**18th Feb** Hawkins	**25thFeb** Rayson	**4th Mar** Kitching
Colden Common with Twyford	10:30	Hughes	Sharp	Kitching HC	Britton
King's Somborne	10:30	Rayson	Hepburn	- - -	Timms

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Landford Methodist **Landford St Andrew's C of E**	10:30	Café Gathering de Ville (vid)	Café Gathering WFE de Ville	Café Gathering Newman	Rayson Methodist Service HC
	11:00				
Romsey	9.15	- - -	10am Funday Sunday	- - -	de Ville HC
	10:30	de Ville HC	Hawkins	Parsons	de Ville IG
	18.30	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -
St Andrew's	10:30	Cambridge Exp	Coates HC	M Carter Exp	S Carter
	12:30	12.30pm Cambridge HC/ZF 6pm Prayer and Praise LA	- - -	- - -	- - -
St Francis	08:30				
	10:00				
United Church	09:00	- - -	- - -	Mellor HC	- - -
	10:30	C Bowstead HC	Mellor	MWiB	P Fry
Wesley	10:30	Kitching HC	Belshaw	M Bowstead	La Follette
Service at Home		The Vine	The Vine	The Vine	The Vine

SERVICES at HOME are posted on the Circuit website:
https://www.wermethodistcircuit.org.uk/worship/worship-recordings.html

OTHER CHRISTMAS SERVICES:
Wednesdays 2nd, 9th, 16th and 23rd December Advent Reflections 7.30pm Chandlers Ford. All are welcome.

Saturday 12th December, 5.30pm – Alternative Carol Service, St. Andrew's

Sunday 14 December, 6.30pm – Community Carols – Revd Peter Rayson Wesley

TBA - Sat 19/ Sun 20 December 4pm – Village Carol Service with Holy Trinity, Village pub car park, Colden Common

Sunday 20th December, 10.30am and 4.30pm Family Carol Services, Cadnam

Sunday 20th December, 7pm – Carol Service, St. Francis. Hannah Hiscock

Wednesday 23rd December, 2pm – Reflective Quiet Service, Su Parsons – Cadnam

Romsey: Full details of Christmas Services and Events are available on the website: www.romseymethodist.church

CHRISTMAS EVE

Bishopstoke	Community Carols, 6pm, Rev Kate Cambridge and Mr Peter Castle
Cadnam	Carols and Lessons, 7pm, Su Parsons
Chandler's Ford	Nativity service, 4pm, Rev Rachael Hawkins
Chandler's Ford	Christmas Eve Communion, 11.30pm, Rev Rachael Hawkins
Romsey	Nativity, 4pm
Romsey	Christmas Eve Communion, 11.15pm, Rev Andrew de Ville
St. Andrew's	Holy Communion, 11.15pm, Rev Kate Cambridge
St. Francis	Crib Service 3pm, / Alessandra Basso and Rev PJ Brombley
St. Francis	Midnight Communion, 11.30pm, Rev PJ Brombley/ Allen Edwards
United	Candlelight Carol Service preceded by tea from 3pm, Rev H Mellor

CHRISTMAS DAY

Alresford	9.30am	Jon Hughes
Bishopstoke	10.00am	Peter Castle
Cadnam	9.30am	Jeremy Sykes
Chandler's Ford	10.30am	Rev Rachael Hawkins
Colden Common	9.00 am	Rev Peter Rayson
King's Somborne	No service	
Landford	No service	
Romsey	10.00am	Rev Andrew de Ville
St. Andrew's	10.30am	All Age, Rev Kate Cambridge
St. Francis	10.00am	Rev PJ Brombley
United Church	10.00am	Rev Howard Mellor
Wesley	10.30am	Rev Peter Rayson

Christmas Day Lectionary

Isaiah 9:2-7 Titus 2:11-14 Luke 2:1-14 (15-20)	Isaiah 62:6-12 Titus 3:4-7 Luke 2:(1-7) 8-20
Isaiah 52:7-10 Hebrews 1:1-4 (5-12) John 1:1-14	

OTHER SERVICES

Ash Wednesday Service 10th February 10.30am Chandler's Ford

LECTIONARY

December 2026

6th December Isaiah 40:1-11 2 Peter 3:8-15a Mark 1:1-8	**13th December** Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-11 1 Thessalonians 5:16-24 John 1:6-8, 19-28
20th December 2 Samuel 7:1-11, 16 Romans 16:25-27 Luke 1:26-38	**27th December** Isaiah 61:10 – 62:3 Galatians 4:4-7 Luke 2:22-40

January 2027

3rd January Jeremiah 31:7-14 Ephesians 1:3-14 John 1:(1-9) 10-18	**10th January** Genesis 1:1-5 Acts 19:1-7 Mark 1:4-11
17th January 1 Samuel 3:1-10 (11-20) 1 Corinthians 6:12-20 John 1:43-51	**24th January** Jonah 3:1-5, 10 1 Corinthians 7:29-31 Mark 1:14-20
31st January Deuteronomy 18:15-20 1 Corinthians 8:1-13 Mark 1:21-28	

February 2027

7th February Isaiah 40:21-31 1 Corinthians 9:16-23 Mark 1:29-39	**14th February** 2 Kings 5:1-14 1 Corinthians 9:24-27 Mark 1:40-45
21st February Isaiah 43:18-25 2 Corinthians 1:18-22 Mark 2:1-12	**28th February** Hosea 2:14-20 2 Corinthians 3:1-6 Mark 2:13-22