

The Winchester, Eastleigh & Romsey Circuit
(Circuit No 26/2)

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No. 38
DECEMBER 2025 – FEBRUARY 2026

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Revd Tim Searle (URC)

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Revd Gregory Black*

Revd Bryan Coates
Revd John Crossley*

Revd Dr Howard Mellor
Revd Robert Powell*

Revd Catherine Bowstead*

Revd Robert Kitching

Revd Eric Renouf*

Local Lay-Pastors

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Staff Days Off / Days not doing Circuit Work

Revd Peter Rayson

Friday

Revd Kate Cambridge

regular day off Monday or Friday

Revd Andrew de Ville

Friday

Revd Rachael Hawkins

Saturday

Revd Tim Searle

Friday

Mr Sam Barnes

Wednesday

Mr Peter Castle

Tuesday

Mrs Sonia Craig

Weekends

Mr Jonathan Hughes

Monday

Mrs Jane Padley

Monday

Mrs Susan Parsons

Weekday mornings

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

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 NOTE 2023 Ms Patricia-Anne Soares
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

WORSHIP LEADERS

CADNAM

2014	Mrs Julia McKinley
2011	Mr Wyatt Parsons

CHANDLER'S FORD

2007	Miss Anne Heath
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COLDEN COMMON

2007	Mrs Jenny Barker
2007	Dr Madelyn Dakeyne
2008	Mrs Mary Le Couteur

LANDFORD

2010	Mrs Deirdre Westmore
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ROMSEY

2011	Mr Bob Bourne
2011	Mrs Irene Bourne
2011	Mrs Meghan Elkin
2011	Mr Wyatt Parsons

ST ANDREW'S

2007	Mrs Ann Squire
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WESLEY and KING'S SOMBORNE

2007	Mr Richard Rogers
2015	Mr Paul Yarrien

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

CIRCUIT MEETINGS & EVENTS

Circuit Meeting:	Wednesday 3 rd December, 7.30pm	Romsey
CLT Meeting:	Tuesday 3 rd February, 7.30pm	Ch Ford
Local Preachers & WL Mtg:	Wednesday 4 th March, 7.30pm	Romsey
Circuit Stewards' Meeting:	Tuesday 10 th 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	GD	Gift Day
AA	All Age Worship	HC	Holy Communion
AFC	Action for Children HF	HF	Harvest Festival
B	Baptism	HH	Holy Habits
BC	Breakfast Church	Hol	Holiday Club
BM	Bible Month	IG	Intergenerational Service
CA	Church Anniversary	JS	Joint Service
CAS	Christian Aid Service	LA	Local Arrangement
Café	Café Service	MS	Mission Service
CC	Church Council	MWiB	Methodist Women in Britain
CM	Church Meeting	NAT	Nativity
Cov	Covenant Service	PVR	Pastoral Visitors Rededication
CS	Circuit Service	ReF	ReFresh Service
CSS	Climate Sunday Service	US	United Service
ExTog	Explore Together	VID	Video Message
FS	Funday Sunday	WL	Worship Leader led
GCM	General Church Meeting	ZF	Zimbabwean Fellowship

CANADA COMMON CHAPEL SERVICES

Services led by either Revd Andrew de Ville or Peter Castle unless stated otherwise.

Sunday 7th December 2.30pm 2025: Christmas Service led by our District Chair Revd Rachel Bending

Wednesday 14th January 2.00pm 2026: Covenant Service with Communion.

Wednesday 11th February 2.00pm 2026: Reflections Communion Service.

DECEMBER 2025		7th Advent 2	14th Advent 3	21st Advent 4	28th
Alresford	10:30	Archer HC	10.30am No service 3.30pm Britton Carols	Hughes	MacLachlan
Bishopstoke	10:30	Cambridge CA/ GD	Searle HC	Hawkins	At St. Andrew's
Cadnam	10:30	de Ville HC	Evans	Parsons Family Carols	LA
	18:30	Parsons	MacLachlan	4pm de Ville Carols	Parsons
Chandler's Ford	9.30	Hawkins BC	Hawkins HC	---	---
	11:00	Hawkins Toy service	Hawkins	Kitching HC	Archer
	18.30	---	One Achord at St. Andrew's	Hawkins Carols	---
	Thurs 10:30	11th Dec Hawkins	18th Dec Archer	25th Dec Hawkins	1st ---
Colden Common with Twyford	10:30	Rayson HC	Sharp	Ritchie	LA
King's Somborne	10:30	Belshaw	Rayson HC	Britton Carols	LA
	15:00	---	---	Messy Church	---

DECEMBER 2025		7th Advent 2	14th Advent 3	21st Advent 4	28th
Landford Methodist	10.30	10.30am No service 4pm de Ville Christingle at St. Andrew's or Village Hall	Café Gathering Newman	LA Carols/ Nativity	Sykes
Landford St. Andrew's C of E	11.00				
Romsey	9.15	---	10am Funday Sunday	de Ville HC	---
	10:30	Elkin	de Ville	de Ville Christingle	LA
	18.30	---	One Achord at St. Andrew's	---	---
St Andrew's	10:30	Hughes	Cambridge AA/ NAT	Castle HC	LA with Bishopstoke
	12:30	4pm Cambridge Reflective Community Carols	6.30pm One Achord	4pm Cambridge Christingle	---
St Francis	08:30	Brombley	Brombley	Williams	Grew
	10:00	All Age Team	10am tbc 3pm Hiscock Messy Christmas	10am Williams 6.30pm tbc Carols	Preacher tbc
United Church	10:30	Searle HC	9am Searle 10.30am Fry/ La Follette	Searle Carols	LA
Wesley	10:30	Coates HC	10.30am Wood 6.30pm Community Carols Rayson	Rayson Nat	---
Service at Home		The Vine	The Vine	The Vine	Hepburn

JANUARY 2026		4th Covenant	11th	18th	25th
Alresford	10:30	Britton	Rayson Cov/ HC	Hughes	Belshaw
Bishopstoke	10:30	Hepburn	Cambridge Cov/ HC	Kitching	Wood
Cadnam	10:30	Kitching	de Ville/ Parsons Cov/ HC	Parsons JS with St. Mary's, Copythorne	Parsons
	18:30	S Caplan	de Ville	Rayson	de Ville
Chandler's Ford	09.30	Hawkins BC	Hawkins HC	---	---
	11:00	Hawkins Cov/ HC	Hawkins	Hepburn	Hawkins HC
	18.30	---	---	Hawkins HC	---
	Thurs 10:30	8th Jan Rayson	15th Jan Hawkins	22nd Jan Hillier	29th Jan Kitching
Colden Common with Twyford	10:30	Hughes	Wood	Ritchie	MWiB
King's Somborne	10.30	M Bowstead	MacLachlan	---	Rayson Cov/ HC
	15.00	---	---	Messy Church	---

JANUARY 2026		4th Covenant	11th	18th	25th
Landford Methodist	10:30	Café Gathering Sturmeay	Café Gathering Newman	Café Gathering de Ville	de Ville Cov/ HC
Landford St Andrew's C of E	11:00				
Romsey	09:15	---	10am Funday Sunday	---	de Ville HC
	10:30	de Ville HC	Searle	M Carter	Cambridge IG
	16.30	---	---	---	---
St Andrew's	10.30	Castle Explore Cov/ HC	Evans	Cambridge Explore	Sharp
	12.30	6pm LA Prayer and Praise	Cambridge HC/ZF	---	---
St Francis	08:30	Brombley	Brombley	Williams	Grew
	10:00	All Age Team	Preacher tbc	10am Williams	Preacher tbc
United Church	10:30	Searle Cov/ HC	Castle	9am LA HC 10.30am Week of Prayer	Searle
Wesley	10:30	Rayson Cov/ HC	Belshaw/ La Follette	Pulpit Exchange	Fry/ La Follette ReF
Service at Home		The Vine	Fry	The Vine	The Vine

FEBRUARY 2026		1st	8th Racial Justice	15th	22nd Lent 1
Alresford	10:30	Evans	Rayson HC	Hughes	Fry
Bishopstoke	10:30	10.45am US HC Service at St. Mary's	Cambridge HC/ CC	Castle	Sharp
Cadnam	10:30	Cole	MacLachlan	Sweeny	Parsons
	18:30	Cole	de Ville HC	Parsons	de Ville
Chandler's Ford	9.30	Hawkins BC	Hawkins HC	---	---
	11:00	Ritchie	Hillier	Mellor/ La Follette	Hawkins HC
	18.30	---	---	Rayson HC	---
	Thurs 10:30	5th Feb MacLachlan	12th Feb Archer	19th Feb Hawkins	26th Feb Hepburn
Colden Common with Twyford	10:30	Rayson Cov/ HC	Hepburn	Kitching	Archer
King's Somborne	10:30	Kitching	Hawkins	---	Castle HC
	15:00	---	---	Messy Church	---

FEBRUARY 2026		1st	8th Racial Justice	15th	22nd Lent 1
Landford Methodist	10:30	Café Gathering: Worship for All Sturmeay	Café Gathering Newman	Café Gathering Sykes	Rayson HC
Landford St Andrew's C of E	11:00				
Romsey	9.15	---	10am Funday Sunday	---	de Ville HC
	10:30	de Ville HC	Tizzard	de Ville	Barnes IG
	18.30	---	---	---	---
St Andrew's	10:30	Cambridge Explore	de Ville HC	Barnes Explore	S Carter
	12:30	12.30 Cambridge HC/ZF 6pm LA Prayer & Praise	---	---	---
St Francis	08:30				
	10:00				
United Church	10:30	Searle HC	LA	9am Searle HC 10.30am Searle	Searle
Wesley	10:30	LA	M Bowstead	Rayson HC	Britton ReF
Service at Home		Archer	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 3rd, 10th and 17th December Advent Reflections
7.30pm Chandlers Ford. All are welcome.

Sunday 7th December Space to Remember, Romsey church open 4-5pm with a time of led reflection at 5pm

Sunday 7th December 4pm - Reflective Community Carols – remembering those who are no longer with us at Christmas St Andrew's

Sunday 14th December 6.30pm One Achord evening Christmas music St. Andrew's

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

Wednesday 17th December 7.30pm Romsey Carol service

Saturday 20th December 4pm - Village carol service, Rising Sun car park next to Colden Common MC. Jointly led by CCMC and Holy Trinity

CHRISTMAS EVE

Bishopstoke Community Carols, 6pm, Rev Kate Cambridge

Cadnam Candlelight service, 7pm, Su Parsons

Chandler's Ford Nativity service, 4pm, Rev Rachael Hawkins

Chandler's Ford Christmas Eve Communion, 11.30pm, Hawkins TBC

Landford, St. Andrew's Carol Service 6pm

Romsey title TBC 4pm

Romsey Christmas Eve Communion, 11.15pm,
Rev Andrew de Ville

St. Andrew's Midnight Communion, 11.15pm, Rev Kate Cambridge

St. Francis Crib Service 3pm Hannah Hiscock/ Rev PJ Brombley

St. Francis Midnight Communion, 11.30pm, Rev PJ Brombley

United Carol Service preceded by tea from 3pm, Rev T Searle

CHRISTMAS DAY

Alresford	9.30am	Jon Hughes
Bishopstoke	10.00am	Peter Castle
Cadnam	9.30am	Su Parsons
Chandler's Ford	10.30am	Rev Rachael Hawkins
Colden Common	10.30am	Rev Peter Rayson
King's Somborne		
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 Tim Searle
Wesley	9.30am	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 18th February 10.30am Chandler's Ford

LECTIONARY

December 2025

7th December

Isaiah 11:1-10
Romans 15:4-13
Matthew 3:1-12

14th December

Isaiah 35:1-10
James 5:7-10
Matthew 11:2-11

21st December

Isaiah 7:10-16
Romans 1:1-7
Matthew 1:18-25

28th December

Isaiah 63:7-9
Hebrews 2:10-18
Matthew 2:13-23

January 2026

4th January

Jeremiah 31:7-14
Ephesians 1:3-14
John 1: (1-9) 10-18

11th January

Isaiah 42:1-9
Acts 10:34-43
Matthew 3:13-17

18th January

Isaiah 49:1-7
1 Corinthians 1:1-9
John 1:29-42

25th January

Isaiah 9:1-4
1 Corinthians 1:10-18
Matthew 4:12-23

February 2026

1st February

Micah 6:1-8
1 Corinthians 1:18-31
Matthew 5:1-12

8th February

Isaiah 58:1-9a (9b-12)
1 Corinthians 2:1-12(13-16)
Matthew 5:13-20

15th February

Exodus 24:12-18
2 Peter 1:16-21
Matthew 17:1-9

22nd February

Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7
Romans 5:12-19
Matthew 4:1-11
