THE METHODIST CHURCH - SOUTHAMPTON DISTRICT
CHRISTCHURCH AND WIMBORNE CIRCUIT PLAN, 26/10

December 2026 - February 2027

District Chair:

Revd Rachel Bending

Circuit Ministers:

Revd Andrew Pottage (Superintendent)
Revd Susan Baker-Maher
Revd Dr Mark Kimber
Revd Peter McNeill (part time)
Revd Nicholas P Wood

Contact for Circuit:

https://www.candwmc.org.uk/contact.html

Supernumerary Ministers:

1987	Revd Keith C Beckingham
1993	*Revd Linda M Chester
1975	Revd David R Ellis
1993	Revd Roger E Gisborne
1996	Revd Barbara I Jeffries
1968	*Revd R David Laidler
1967	*Revd Robert G McBain
1997	Revd Peter McNeill (also part time Circuit Minister)
1992	*Revd Elizabeth Rundle
1988	Revd David C Miller
1989	Deacon Glenda Sidding
1965	Revd Tom Stuckey
2009	Deacon Paul Wayne

**Unable to take appointments*

Circuit Stewards:

Mr Peter Aston
Mr Rodney Betts
Miss Shirley Hewitt (Joint Lead Steward)
Mrs Chris Lusher (Joint Lead Steward)
Mrs Diana Middleditch
Mr John Morgan
Manse Stewards: Mr Terry and Mrs Kathy March

Circuit Lay Employees:

PA to Superintendent Minister: Mrs Charlotte (Charlie) Tyrell
Circuit Administrator: Mrs Anne Gough
Pastoral Worker: (Blandford Church): Mrs Joyce Wild
Church Administrator, Highcliffe and Milford: Mrs Marie Wayne

Worship Leaders

Highcliffe	Miss Winifred George
Holtwood	Mr Peter Aston

Verwood has several Worship Leaders. Please ask the contact steward if you would like to include one in a service.

Holtwood Mission Band contact is Dr Christopher Slade
Methodist Women in Britain (MWiB) Team contact is Christine Stuckey

Visiting Preachers this Quarter

Rev'd Mike and Louise Shrubsole
Rev'd Tasha Anderson

Local Preachers:

1961	*Dr John Ramsden
1976	Mr Mark Priestley
1977	Mrs Christine Stuckey
1979	Mrs Hilary Beckingham
1979	Mr Colin Besant
1979	Mrs Christine Thompson
1984	Mr Peter Ellis
1986	*Mrs Pamela Moss
1989	*Mrs Heather Morgan
1993	*Mr Eddie Hughes
1993	Mr Brian Skelley
1995	Mr Rob White
1997	Mr Barrie Knight
1999	*Mrs Marilyn Knight
2001	Mr Phil Collins
2002	Miss Elizabeth Ward
2005	*Mr David Webb
2007	Mrs Joyce Wild
2010	Mr James Frampton
2010	*Dr Christopher Slade
2011	*Mrs Helen Brew
2016	Mrs Diana Middleditch
2023	Mrs Lynley Wilkes

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General Circuit Notices

Next Circuit Meeting: - Thursday 11 March 2027 – Highcliffe Methodist Church, in the church, 7:30 pm
Next Local Preachers' Meeting: - Thursday 3rd December at Barton on Sea church, 7:30 pm
Staff Days Off: Please respect the off-duty days of our Staff:

Revd Sue Baker-Maher	**Friday**
Revd Mark Kimber	**Wednesday, Friday evening to Saturday evening**
Revd Peter McNeill	**Monday and Friday**
Revd N Wood	**Friday**
Revd Andrew Pottage	**Saturday**

Information for the next Circuit Plan **(Feb 27 - May 27)** should be sent to the Circuit Administrator **before 1 January 2027**.

Church Information		
Church, Minister and Members		**Worship Resources**
BARTON	**97**	PB(NRSV); STF;
BH25 7PA, Revd A Pottage		PPP; VP; CCL
BLANDFORD	**16**	PB (GNB); STF;
DT11 7HA, Revd M Kimber		PPP; VP; CCL

Regular Worship and Meetings:

Note: Some of these regular activities may not take place - always check with venue if unsure.

Blandford 10 am - Noon every Thursday - Coffee Morning
Colehill 11:00-12:00 am Mondays—Coffee, Prayer and Bible Study
Crown Hill, 7.30 pm First Monday of the month – Healing and Renewal Service

COLEHILL BH21 7AT, Revd M Kimber	**13**	PB(GNB);HP;STF;MP (1,2); SF(1,2); CCL
CROWE HILL BH24 3DQ, Revd S Baker-Maher	**21**	PB(NIV); HP; STF; MP (1-798);SF(1-2710); PPP; BT; VP;CCL
HIGHCLIFFE BH23 5EG, Revd S Baker-Maher	**69**	PB(NIV); STF; SF (1-1690); HP;CCL; VP
HOLTWOOD BH21 7DT Revd N Wood	**68**	NIV; HP; SF(1-2200); MP(1-1250); PPP; STF; SVL WL; EW; VP; CCL; LS
MILFORD SO41 0QE, Revd A Pottage	**22**	PB(GNB); STF; SVL; VP; PPP; CCL
MUDEFORD LANE BH23 3HL, Revd S Baker-Maher	**13**	PB(NIV); HP; STF; SF(1-1690); VP; CCL
RINGWOOD BH24 1DN, Revd S Baker-Maher	**51**	PB(NIV); HP; STF; MP (1-798); RS; SH; PPP; VP; CCL
VERWOOD BH31 6DR, Revd N Wood	**84**	PB(NIV); STF; VP; PPP; BT(STF); SVL; EW; WL; CCL
WIMBORNE BH21 1DY, Revd M Kimber	**87**	PB(NRSV); STF (+Audio CD); CCL; PPP; VP
WOODLANDS BH21 8LL, Revd P McNeill	**16**	PB(GNB);HP;MP(1-798); SF (1-1150); OHP; CCL
Total Membership:	**557**	

Crowe Hill 7.30 pm First Monday of the month – Healing and Renewal Service
Crowe Hill 2.00 pm Third Thursday of the month - Healing and Renewal Service, preceded by light lunch
Highcliffe 11.00 am Wednesdays - Worship and Fellowship service
Holtwood 8.30 am First Saturday of the month – Prayer Meeting
Verwood 9.45 am Tuesdays – Prayer Time
Wimborne 9.30 – 9.50 am Fridays – Morning Prayers
Wimborne 11.00 – 11.30 am Third Thursday of month – Morning Communion Service
Woodlands 6:30 - 7:00 pm First Monday of the month - 'Quiet Time' Informal Prayer Together
Woodlands 10.00-11.30 am Coffee Mornings, First and third Thursdays of the month

Circuit Prayers:

Holtwood 8.30 am First Saturday of the month

Special Local Events and Activities:

Key to Worship Resources (see left)
BT Backing Tracks
CCL Church Copyright Licence
EW Easy Worship for media projection
GNB Good News Bible
HP Hymns & Psalms
JP Junior Praise
LS Live Stream
LSB Local Song Book
MP Mission Praise (+ number)
NIV New International Version
NRSV New Revised Standard Version
OHP Overhead Projector
PB Pew Bible
PIP Partners in Praise
PP Power Praise (+ number)
PPP PowerPoint Projection
RS Rejoice and Sing
SF Songs of Fellowship (+ number)
SH Sing Hallelujah
STF Singing the Faith
SVL Song Video Library available
VP Video Projector
WL Worship Leader

Sunday Lectionary Readings	6 December	13 December	20 December	25 December	27 December	3 January	10 January	17 January
	Advent 2	Advent 3	Advent 4	Christmas Day	Christmas 1	Chrismas 2	Ord 1	Ord 2
	Isaiah 40: 1 - 11	Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-11	2 Samuel 7:1-11, 16	Any of the following sets	Isaiah 61:10 – 62:3	Jeremiah 31:7-14	Genesis 1:1-5	1 Samuel 3:1-10 (11-20)
	Psalm 85: 1-2, 8-13	or Canticle: Magnificat	(Luke 1:46b-55)	I Isaiah 9:2-7; Psalm 96;	Psalm 148	Psalm 147:12-20	Psalm 29	Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18
	2 Peter 3: 8-15a	1 Thessalonians 5:16-24	Romans 16:25-27	II Isaiah 62:6-12; Psalm 9	Galatians 4:4-7	Ephesians 1:3-14	Acts 19:1-7	1 Corinthians 6:12-20
	Mark 1: 1-8	John 1:6-8, 19-28	Luke 1:26-38	III Isaiah 52:7-10; Psalm	Luke 2:22-40	John 1:(1-9) 10-18	Mark 1:4-11	John 1:43-51
						Sirach/Ecclesiasticus24:		
	24 January	31 January	7 February	14 February	21 February	28 February		
	Ord 3	Ord 4	Sunday before Lent	Lent 1	Lent 2	Lent 3	Mothering Sunday	
	Jonah 3:1-5, 10	Deuteronomy 18:15-20	2 Kings 2:1-12	Genesis 9:8-17	Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16	Exodus 20:1-17		
	Psalm 62:5-12	Psalm 111	Psalm 50 1-6	Psalm 25:1-10	Psalm 22:23-31	Psalm 19		
	1 Corinthians 7:29-31	1 Corinthians 8:1-13	2 Corrinthians 4 3-6	1 Peter 3:18-22	Romans 4:13-25	1 Corinthians 1:18-25		
	Mark 1:14-20	Mark 1:21-28	Mark 9 2-9	Mark 1:9-15	Mark 8:31-38	John 2:13-22		

Preachers unable to take appointments as planned should find an accredited substitute, and then inform the Superintendent and the Church Steward.

Note: this two page document is Part A of the plan - Local Planning Information. Part B, the Planning Grid, is supplied as a separate document to be read together with this one.

Plan code references are now to be found in the footer on Part B