

High Wycombe Circuit (23/27)

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Plan of Services for March – May 2018

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A Letter from our Superintendent Rev. Nick Thompson

Dear Friends,

I commend to you this Circuit Worship Plan. Firstly a big thank you to all our Preachers and Worship Leaders for making themselves available, with extra dates, so we can cover many more services, with planned preachers this time! A number of churches have requested Local Arrangements on certain Sundays, to develop particular themes, but the number of unrequested Local Arrangements is well down this time.

This Connexional Year we have been involved as a Circuit with two changes of Staff as Revd John Richey is “sitting down” this summer and our Deacon, Ruth Richey, has been called to serve the Diaconal Order as Deputy Warden. Ruth in fact will be beginning to spend time out of the Circuit to prepare for this important role quite soon. We offer our prayers and love to John and Ruth as they begin a new phase of life and ministry in London. On July 15th we will be joining together in a Circuit Service to say thank you and farewell to them both. We will announce more details about this service as soon as possible, including the host Church of course!

At this service we will be saying farewell also to Ken and Joanne Kingston, and their family, as Ken has been stationed to the Harrow and Hillingdon Circuit from September, as he begins his ministry as a Presbyterian there. Our prayers and love go to them all too, as they prepare for their new beginnings in that Circuit.

We have announced already that Revd Vida Foday is coming to us as a Presbyterian from the Romford Circuit next September. We are pleased also to say that Deacon Richard Goldstraw is joining us to replace Ruth. Richard is working currently at the Notting Hill Methodist Church with those who were caught up in the dreadful fire at Grenfell Tower. Our Circuit Welcome Service for Vida and Richard will be on Friday 31st August at 7pm at the Avenue and I hope as many of you as possible can be present that evening as we are led by our Chair of District, Revd Helen Cameron.

Finally can I commend to you a training evening that we have set up on May 8th, at the Avenue Church at 7.30pm, for Bible Month, which will be in June? This is for all who are interested but particularly for Preachers, Worship Leaders and Small Group Leaders. Bible Month will focus on Jonah, and as a Church we will be learning, through Jonah, what it means when we hear the call of God and how does God's mercy shape

our mission? The evening will be led by Adam Sanders, a trainer from the District, who is an excellent and inspiring teacher. We will all benefit from this time together I am sure!

Finally I pray that we will all know God's encouragement and inspiration in our services through these three months.

Every blessing,

Nick

Lectionary March – May 2018

3rd Sun in Lent: 4 March- Exodus 20:1-17 Psalm 19 1 Corinthians 1:18-25 John 2:13-22

4th Sun in Lent: 11 March-Numbers 21:4-9, Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22, Ephesians 2:1-10, John 3:14-21

or for MOTHERING SUN - Exodus 2:1-10 or 1 Samuel 1:20-28 Psalm 34:11-20 or Psalm 127:1-4 2 Corinthians 1:3-7 or Colossians 3:12-17 Luke 2:33-35 or John 19:25-27

5th Sun in Lent: 18 March – Passion- Jeremiah 31:31-34, Psalm 51:1-12 or Psalm 119:9-16, Hebrews 5:5-10, John 12:20-33

6th Sun in Lent: 25 March Palm - Mark 11:1-11 or John 12:12-16, Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29, Isaiah 50:4-9a, Psalm 31:9-16, Philippians 2:5-11, Mark 14:1 – 15:47 or Mark 15:1-39 (40-47)

Maundy Thurs: 29 March - Exodus 12:1-4 (5-10) 11-14, Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19, 1 Corinthians 11:23-26, John 13:1-17, 31b-35

Good Friday: 30 March- Isaiah 52:13 – 53:12, Psalm 22, Hebrews 10:16-25 or Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9, John 18:1 – 19:42

Easter Day: 1 April - Acts 10:34-43 or Isaiah 25:6-9, Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24, 1 Corinthians 15:1-11 or Acts 10:34-43, John 20:1-18, or Mark 16:1-8

Sun 8 April - Acts 4:32-35, Psalm 133, 1 John 1:1 – 2:2, John 20:19-31

Sun 15 April - Acts 3:12-19, Psalm 4, 1 John 3:1-7, Luke 24:36b-48

Sun 22 April - Acts - 4:5-12, Psalm 1, John 3:16-24, John 10:11-18

Sun 29 April - Acts 8:26-40, Psalm 22:25-31, 1 John 4:7-21, John 15:1-8

Sun 6 May - Acts 10:44-48, Psalm 98, 1 John 5:1-6, John 15:9-17

13 May Sun in Ascensiontide - Acts 1:15-17, 21-26, Psalm 1, 1 John 5:9-13, John 17:6-19

Pentecost (also Aldersgate) 20 May - Acts 2:1-21 or Ezekiel 37:1-14, Ps 104:24-34, 35b, Romans 8:22-27 or Acts 2:1-21, John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

Trinity Sun 27 May- Isaiah 6:1-8, Psalm 29, Romans 8:12-17, John 3:1-17

Q3 Mar– May 2018	March 2018						April 2018					May 2018			
	4th March Lent 3	11th March Mothering	18th March Passion	25th March Palm	29th March	30th March Good Friday	1st April Easter	8th April	15th April	22nd April	29th April	6th May	13th May Christian	20th May Pentecost	27th May
Marlow WL	9.30am 10.30am 6.30pm R. Richey SL 10.45am Thompson HC	Manthorpe HC @ Marlow Bottom	freespirit C. Luscombe LA CW	R.Richey	8.00pm Tenebrae @ Marlow Bottom HC	11.15am CTIM Thompson	Thompson HC LA	HC @ Marlow Bottom	freespirit N.Sweet	Stevens	Thompson AGCM Cel @ Flackwell	Thompson SL 10.45am Thompson HC LA	freespirit Hatton Easter Offering Thompson CS	Singleton Cel @ Flackwell	
Marlow Bottom	9.30am 10.30am 6.30pm @ St.Mary's HC 11.00am Lan- tern	10.00am @ St. Mary's Watts US S.Vunipola HC	Thompson HC 11.00am Lantern @ St.Mary's	S.Vunipola Meditation LA	8.00pm Tenebrae Thompson HC		9.30am @ St.Mary's HC 11.00am Lantern	F.Vunipola S.Vunipola HC	Thompson HC 11.00am Lantern @ St.Mary's	Green	11.00am Worship & Community Service @ St.Mary's	9.30am @St.Mary's HC 11.00am Lantern J.Richey HC	Bolton HC 11.00am Lantern @ St.Mary's CS @ Marlow Cooper		
Flackwell Heath WL	11.00am 6.30pm LA AAW No service	Singleton AAW Fellowship Service	Thompson SL J.Richey	Thompson AGCM/ HC No service		9.30am Meditation Thompson	8.30am Thompson HC 11.00am N&P Sweet AAW 6.30pm @ Christchurch	S.Vunipola Fellowship Service	Thompson SL J.Richey	C.Luscombe Thompson HC Cel	Crowle C. Luscombe Cel No service	N. & P.Sweet AAW Fellowship Service	R.Richey CS @ Marlow J.Richey Cel	11.00am Love Wycombe @ Rye Thompson	
Wesley WL	10.30am 6.30pm Bolton HC Green	D.Sparks	B.Sparks	7.30pm Bolton US/ HC	10.00am Trinity US	@ Bolton HC Manthorpe LA	Thompson AGCM	S.Vunipola Bolton HC Taylor	10.00am LA 11.00am Love Wycombe @ Rye CS @ Marlow Newman						
Cryers Hill	10.30am 6.00pm Stevens Green	S.Vunipola HC J.Richey	Sitford Taylor	Holmes Hargrove	7.00pm Music For Easter	R.Richey Newman	Hargrove LA	S.Vunipola HC Spooner	Crowle Lunt	C. Luscombe Billit	Green Stevens	Sitford Thompson	Cooper Bolton	S.Vunipola Hargrove	
Holmer Green	9.30am 10.30am 6.00pm Seaton Hatton	SL Thompson	J.Richey HC Hargrove	Stevens S.Vunipola	10.30am J.Richey	Singleton HC S.Vunipola	Green Taylor	SL R.Richey S.Vunipola	LA S.Vunipola	LA Bourne End URC Music Grp J.Richey	J.Richey HC Thompson	SL Taylor	J. Richey HC 6.30pm CS @ Marlow S.Vunipola	Stevens	
The Avenue WL	10.30am 6.30pm S. Vunipola HC N.Sweet SL	LA	Crowle	7.00pm S. Vunipola HC	10.00am Worship & 11.00am Walk Of Witness S. Vunipola	S.Vunipola HC Hatton SL	Cooper	F.Vunipola	R.Richey	S.Vunipola HC J.Richey SL	S.Vunipola CS @ Marlow	B.Sparks			
Stokenchurch WL	9.30am 6.30pm Marsh	Thompson US@PC	S. Vunipola HC Hargrove	US@ PC	Green US@PC	Taylor	S.Vunipola HC Cooper	N.Sweet	S.Vunipola US@PC	Lunt CS @ Marlow	US @ PC				
Tylers Green WL	10.45am 6.30pm J. Richey HC Newman	Stevens LA	7.00pm Singleton HC Supper	Stevens Agape Lovell	J.Richey HC S.Vunipola	Holmes	Lunt	J. Richey HC Singleton Craft Club	F.Vunipola Newman Manthorpe CS @ Marlow						
Downley WL	9.30am 10.00am 6.30pm N.Sweet Craft Club	J. Richey	Taylor	Cooper	J. Richey Craft Club	HC S. Vunipola	Holmes	Lunt	J. Richey HC Singleton Craft Club	F.Vunipola Newman Manthorpe CS @ Marlow					
Naphill	10.30am 6.30pm P.Sweet	Hargrove	LA	J.Richey HC	Lunt	J. Richey HC Singleton	N.Sweet	Hargrove	Lovell	C. Luscombe Thompson CS @ Marlow	Holmes				

AGCM—Annual General Church Meeting, —All Age Worship, B—Baptism, CA—Christian Aid, Cel—Celebrate Service, CS—Circuit Service, CW—Contemplative Worship, HC—Holy Communion, ,
LA—Local Arrangement, PC—Parish Church, SL—Sunday Live, WL—Worship Leader available, US—United Service.

NB Information from the churches and preachers for the next plan should be with Carolyn Luscombe by Friday 6th April—plan@highwycombemethodist.org.uk, 01491 410693

Circuit Matters

Circuit Meetings - Tuesday 13th March @ Wesley, 7.30pm for 7.45pm;
Thursday 5th July, 7.30pm for 7.45pm @ Stokenchurch.

Preachers and Worship Leaders Meeting— 26th June, 7.45pm for
8.00pm venue tbc.

Training Event on Bible Month—Tuesday 8th May

7.30—9.30pm, @ the Avenue. Led by Adam Sanders from the District Training Team, covering Jonah the book for Bible Month in June. All preachers, worship leaders, small group leaders and all who are interested are welcome to come to a stimulating evening. Do come along!

Contemplative Worship at Marlow

Over the past year-and-a-half, we have been meeting on a Thursday lunchtime, each month, for a more contemplative style of prayer and worship, than we usually experience on a Sunday morning, at 12.30pm. All are welcome. In addition you are invited to join us for our quarterly contemplative evening service on 18th March at 6.30pm.

Church Events

2nd March at 2.00pm Holmer Green are having a Women's World Day of Prayer service at Holmer Green Baptist Church followed by refreshments. The service is written by the women of Suriname, South America on "All God's Creation is Very Good!". All are welcome.

Wednesday 28th March, 8.00pm Tenebrae Service led by Rev Nick Thompson at Flackwell Heath Methodist Church with Holy Communion.

Friday 30th March, 7.00pm Music of Easter at Cryers Hill Methodist Church.

Circuit Services

- Easter Offering Circuit Service -Sunday 20th May, 6.30pm at Marlow Methodist Church.
- Farewell Service—Sunday 15th July for Rev John Richey, Deacon Ruth Richey, Rev Ken Kingston, Joanne Kingston and family –venue and time tbc.
- Welcome Service—Friday 31st August @ 7.00pm @ the Avenue for Rev Vida Foday and our new Deacon.
- Circuit Covenant Service - in early September 2018 to mark the beginning of the Methodist Year date, venue and time tbc.

Worship: Leading and Preaching Summer School at Cliff College 6-10th August 2017

Are you interested in training to be a worship leader or preacher? If so there is a crash course available to help you get started!

The first part of the new Leading Worship and Preaching Course helps people to train to be Worship Leaders and can be undertaken solely for that purpose (Modules 1-4) and is now available as a 4 day residential!

If you are studying to become a Methodist Local Preacher or Worship Leader, or want a refresher course for your worship and preaching, after some years of service in these roles then the **‘Worship: Leading and Preaching’** Summer School is for you! Open to all aged 18 years +.

The **‘Worship: Leading and Preaching’** Summer School is designed specifically for those who are currently training to be Worship Leaders and Preachers. During the week, the sessions will be based on the “Explore” material in Worship Leading and Preaching, and will assume that students have completed the “Prepare” sections prior to the Summer School. Opportunities for discussion about building portfolios and other aspects of the course will also be available, and we will share worship and fellowship together. Three streams will be provided for Worship: Leading & Preaching, covering (i) Modules 1 & 2, (ii) Modules 3 & 4, and (iii) Modules 5 & 6.

Please contact Nick Thompson if you are interested in undertaking this training.

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