

National Forest East Methodist Circuit (22/12)		December 2025				January 2026				February 2026			
		7	14	21	28	4	11	18	25	1	8	15	22
Special Sundays Lectionary readings Year A (Principal service - other readings are available)		Advent 2 Isaiah 11:1-10 Ps 72:1-7,18,19 Rom 15:4-13 Matt 3:1-12	Advent 3 Isaiah 35:1-10 Ps 146:5-10 James 5:7-10 Matt 11:2-11	Advent 4 Isaiah 7:10-16 Ps 80:1-7,17-19 Rom 1:1-7 Matt 1:18-25	Isaiah 63:7-9 Psalm 148 Heb 2:10-18 Matt 2:13-23	(Epiphany) Jer 31:7-14 Ps 147:12-20 Eph 1:3-14 John 1:10-18	Isaiah 42:1-9 Psalm 29 Acts 10:34-43 Matt 3:13-17	Isaiah 49:1-7 Ps 40:1-11 1 Cor 1:1-9 John 1:29-42	Isaiah 9:1-4 Ps 27:1,4-9 1 Cor 1:10-18 Matt 4:12-23	(Candlemas) Micah 6:1-8 Psalm 15 1 Cor 1:18-31 Matt 5:1-12	Isaiah 58:1-9a Ps 112:1-9 1 Cor 2:1-12 Matt 5:13-20	Deut 30:15-20 Ps 119:1-8 1 Cor 3:1-9 Matt 5:21-37	Lev 19:1-2,9-18 Ps 119:33-40 1 Cor 3:10,11,16-23 Matt 5:38-48
Nikki Geeson													
MMC (71) @ Melbourne DE73 8EJ	10:30	Brady	LA nativity	10:30 Geeson HC 7pm Geeson 🎵	Draper CS	LA	Geeson Cov	10:30 LA 6pm Geeson U	Smith	LA	Whinray	Geeson AA HC	LA
MMC (71) @ Weston DE72 2BL	10:30	K Hawkins	Geeson AA 🎵	@ Melbourne	@ Melbourne	@ Melbourne	LA	@ Melbourne	Geeson Cov	@ Melbourne	Geeson AA	@ Melbourne	Smith
New Sawley (17) NG10 3GU	10:30	LA	Blackmore 🎵	Smith HC	LA	K Hawkins	Stent	Geeson Cov	LA	Geeson	Dale	LA	Pickering
Sutton Bonington (20) LE12 5PE	10:30	Geeson HC	Sutton	LA 🎵	no service	Geeson Cov	U @ Baptists	Bennett	Morrissey	11:00 U @ CofE	Latham U	Blackmore	Geeson HC
Louise Morrissey													
Ashby (40) LE65 2LF	10:30	Morrissey HC	K Hawkins	Draper 🎵	LA	Morrissey Cov	LA	Hudson	LA	Snelson HC	Stent	LA	Morrissey
Castle Donington (24) DE74 2LE	10:30	U @ CofE	LA	Morrissey HC 🎵	LA	U @ CofE	Blackmore	Morrissey Cov	Whinray	U @ CofE	Smith	Morrissey HC	Stent
Moirs Centenary (30) DE12 6AA	10:15	6pm Morrissey 🎵	Morrissey HC	Betteridge-Sorby	no service	Betteridge-Sorby	Morrissey Cov	Brady	LA	Hudson	Morrissey HC	LA	Betteridge-Sorby
Phil Snelson													
Hall Lane (38) LE67 5PF	10:30	Fyall	Snelson HC AA	10:30 LA 6pm Snelson 🎵	Brady CS	LA	Snelson Cov	Henderson-Merrygold	LA	LA	Snelson HC	Hudson	LA
Hugglescote LEP (18) LE67 2BR	10:30	Snelson HC	Draper	Baptist	LA	Snelson Cov	Whinray	Baptist	Baptist	Morrissey HC	LA	Baptist	Baptist
Marlborough Sq (29) LE67 3WD	10:30	Draper	Dale	LA 🎵	no service	Hudson	Smith	Snelson Cov	LA	Brady	LA	Snelson HC	K Hawkins
Whitwick (16) LE67 5FD	10:15	Stent	Pratt Morris-Chapman HC	Snelson 🎵	no service	LA	Dale	LA	Snelson Cov	Sutton	K Hawkins	LA	Snelson HC

Code	Meaning	Code	Meaning
@	at (wherever)	HC	Holy Communion
🎵	Carol service	LA	Local Arrangement service c/o church stewards
AA	All Age worship	MMC	Melbourne Methodist Church
CofE	Church of England	U	United with another church
Cov	Covenant service with HC	WPCU	Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 18-25 January
CS	Circuit Service		
Two Circuit Services are at 10:30am on 28 December at Hall Lane and Melbourne . Everyone is welcome to celebrate and reflect on the year almost gone, and to look forward in faith with hope to 2026.			

General notes about services
1. The left column is the usual service time; any change is shown in the box for that service.
2. Preachers: please contact Worship Leaders in advance to involve them if they so wish.
3. Preachers are responsible for re-arranging appointments they are unable to keep, in consultation with the superintendent minister and relevant church stewards. Sue Draper has a list of preachers who may be available.
4. Church stewards: before changing a planned appointment, obtain consent from the appointed preacher and the superintendent minister.
Our LWP Meeting is daytime on Saturday 28 February 2026 with guest speaker Rev Chris Briggs. Lunch included. Details tbc.

Resources to help with LA services:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pre-recorded video sermons and orders of service will either be emailed or accessible from our circuit website: https://www.nfecircuit.org/ then click on 'Service Planning'. Outline services exploring the themes in A Methodist Way of Life: https://www.methodist.org.uk/faith/a-methodist-way-of-life/mwol-service-outlines/ Scroll down for four services on 'What is discipleship?' and use them for your LAs this quarter. The Methodist Church Resource Hub: https://www.methodist.org.uk/for-churches/resources/ The worship calendar is a good place to start for song suggestions and other resources if it's a special Sunday. If a date is red, resources are available. 'The Vine' is a full service script with song suggestions, prayers, readings and talks for each week. One person in each church receives The Vine emails, or contact the circuit office.