

North Staffordshire Circuit (11/22)

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MINISTERS' REST DAYS – members of the Circuit Staff will normally be expected to be free from duties on the following days:

Rev'd Liz Singleton – Friday; Rev'd Joy Ventom – Monday & Rev'd James Pritchard – Thursday

Quarterly Preaching Plan December 2025 – February 2026

					December				January				February			
					7	14	21	28	4	11	18	25	1	8	15	22
					Advent 2	Advent 3	Advent 4	Christmas 1	Epiphany	Baptism of the Lord	Epiphany 2 Ordinary 2	Epiphany 3 Ordinary 3	Epiphany 4 Ordinary 4	Epiphany 5 Ordinary 5	Transfiguration	Lent 1
Lectionary Year (A)					Isaiah 11:1-10	Isaiah 35:1-10	Isaiah 7:10-16	Isaiah 63:7-9	Isaiah 60:1-6	Isaiah 42:1-9	Isaiah 49:1-7	Isaiah 9:1-4	Micah 6:1-8	Isaiah 58:1-9a (9b-12)	Exodus 24:12-18	Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7
(Principal Service)					Psalms 72:1-7, 18-19	Luke 1:46b-55	Psalms 80:1-7, 17-19	Psalms 148	Psalms 72	Psalms 29	Psalms 40:1-11	Psalms 27:1, 4-9	Psalms 15	Psalms 112:1-9 (10)	Psalms 2 or 99	Psalms 32
					Romans 15:4-13	James 5:7-10	Romans 1:1-7	Hebrews 2:10-18	Ephesians 3:1-12	Acts 10:34-43	1 Corinthians 1:1-9	1 Corinthians 1:10-18	1 Corinthians 1:18-31	1 Cor. 2:1-12 (13-16)	2 Peter 1:16-21	Romans 5:12-19
					Matthew 3:1-12	Matthew 11:2-11	Matthew 1:18-25	Matthew 2:13-23	Matthew 2:1-12	Matthew 3:13-17	John 1:29-42	Matthew 4:12-23	Matthew 5:1-12	Matthew 5:13-20	Matthew 17:1-9	Matthew 4:1-11
Please Pray For:					Madeley	St Luke's	Silverdale	Wolstanton	Audley	Baldwins Gate Community	Bradwell	Cross Heath	Halmer End	Higherland	Madeley	St Luke's
Cross Heath	LS	11.00	StF	NIV	Harrison T	Singleton Christingle	Pritchard HC	LA	N Jones	Singleton CV HC	Parkes	Willis	Singleton HC	N Jones	LA	Pritchard
(23)		3.00	MSB													
Silverdale	LS	11.00	StF	MM	Chadwick	X	Singleton HC	X	Café Church	Chadwick	Singleton CV HC	Emmaus	Café Church	Chadwick	Singleton HC	CA Emmaus
(39)		5.00			Carols by Candlelight @ 6pm			X				Refuel				Refuel
Wolstanton	LS	10.30	StF		Singleton HC	Pritchard	Davies T	Barnett	Singleton CV HC	LA	Chadwick	Singleton	N Jones	Willis	LA	Singleton
(82)		3.00	MWB				Carol Service 6.30 pm									
Audley	JV	10.30	StF	SoF 1&2	US @ St Luke's	X	LA Carols	X	Parkes CV HC	X	LA	X	Ford	X	Wakelin HC US	X
(28)		3.00	MWB	GNB	X	Harrison T	X	X	US @ Halmer End	X	Ventom	X	Ventom	Ventom	X	Harrison T
Bradwell	JV	10.00	StF	SoF 1&2	US @ St Luke's	LA Bursley Academy	Ventom Carols	X	LA	Ventom CV HC	Rowley	Kirk	Parkes HC	R Jones	Ventom	Matthews
(30)		3.00	MWB	NIV H&P												
Halmer End	JV	10.30	H&P	SoF 1&2	US @ St Luke's	Willis HC	LA Carols	X	Irvine	X	N Jones	Ventom CV HC	Williams	Ventom	US @ Audley	Barnett HC
(20)		3.00	MWB	GNB						Parkes Minnie Pit US						
Madeley	JV	10.30	StF	SoF 1234	US @ St Luke's	Ventom HC	Chadwick	X	Strachan CV HC	R Jones	LA	Parkes	Ventom	Barnett HC	Rowley	LA
(23)		3.00	MWB	NIV												
St Luke's	JV	10.30	H&P	GNB	Ventom TS US	X	Wakelin HC	X	Ventom CV HC	Harrison T	LA	Pritchard	Davies T	Irvine	LA	Ventom Breakfast Praise
(22)		3.00	MWB			Ventom Nativity										
Higherland	JP	10.00	StF	MM	R Jones	Nativity LA @ 11 am	X	Chadwick	Pritchard CV HC	Wakelin	LA	Matthews	Pritchard HC	LA	N Jones	Davies T
(36)		6.00	MWB				Pritchard Carols @ 3pm					Café Church Pritchard				Café Church Pritchard
Printed Service for this week prepared by:					Singleton	Pritchard	Ventom	Heap	Pritchard	Ventom	Singleton	Heap	Pritchard	Ventom	Singleton	Heap

ABBREVIATIONS

CA	Church Anniversary	MM	Multi Media please ring the
CV	Covenant Service		multimedia contact as many
Emmaus	"As the disciples walked along the road Jesus came and walked alongside them" (Luke 24:15). This is walking/strolling/chatting/sharing church. (There will be indoor Prayer Stations for those unable to participate in the walking experience).	MSB	Methodist Service Book
		MWB	Methodist Worship Book
		NIV	New International Version
		Refuel	1 hour of interactive, informal and relaxed praise and worship for all ages followed by food.
GNB	Good News Bible	SoF	Songs of Fellowship
H&P	Hymns & Psalms	StF	Singing the Faith
HC	Sacrament of Holy Communion	T	Transport
LA	Local Arrangement	TS	Toy Service
		US	United Service
		X	No Service

Please note that Halmer End and St Luke's are still using Hymns & Psalms.

CHRISTMAS SERVICES (not shown on the plan)

Audley

Christmas Day, Thursday 25th December

10.00 am – Christmas Day Worship – Rev'd Joy Ventom

Cross Heath

Christmas Eve, Wednesday 24th December

6.00 pm Service – Rev'd Joy Ventom

Halmer End

Monday, 8th December

6.00 pm Christingle Service – Local Arrangement

Higherland

Christmas Day, Thursday 25th December

10.00 am – Christmas Day Service - Rev'd James Pritchard

Madeley

Thursday 18th December

6.30 pm – Christingle Service with Poolside Puppets - Rev'd Joy Ventom

St Luke's

Christmas Day Service, Thursday 25th December

10.00 am – Local Arrangement

Silverdale

Monday, 22nd December

Carols in the Club at Silverdale Athletic F.C., Scot Hay Rd, ST5 6RJ
at 6.30 pm – Revd Liz Singleton

Christmas Eve, Wednesday 24th December

4.00 pm Christmas Eve on the Parade (for further information please email: info@silverdalemethodistchurch.org.uk or tel: 07403 534575)

Christmas Day Service, Thursday 25th December

11.00 am – Local Arrangement – in the building

Wolstanton

Sat 20th Dec 10.00 am – 4.00 pm & Sun 21st Dec 2.00 pm – 4.00 pm

Angel Festival

Christmas Eve Service, Wednesday 24th December

6.00 pm – Rev'd Liz Singleton & Rev'd James Pritchard

Christmas Day Family Service, Thursday 25th December

10.00 am – Rev'd Liz Singleton

OTHER SERVICES (not shown on the plan)

Silver Service at Silverdale Methodist Church - on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month at 11.30 am followed by a light sandwich lunch
1st Thurs - Worship including HC, 3rd Thurs - Worship including creative activity

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Local Preachers' and Leaders of Worship Meeting

Tuesday 9th December 2025 at 7.30 pm at Bradwell Methodist Church (please remember to give your apologies to the LP Secretary if you are unable to attend).

Circuit Meeting

Wednesday, 18th March 2026 at 7.30 pm at St Luke's Methodist Church

CIRCUIT SERVICES

Circuit Advent Reflection on Wednesday, 3rd December 2025 at 7.00 pm at St Luke's Methodist Church

Circuit Farewell Service for Rev'd James Pritchard on Sunday, 26th April at the Higherland Methodist Church, time to be confirmed.

Circuit Farewell Service for Rev'd Liz Singleton on Sunday, 19th July at Wolstanton Methodist Church, time to be confirmed.

Any concerns regarding the Preaching Plan should be addressed to the Superintendent Minister.