

# High Wycombe Circuit (23/27)

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## Plan of Services for September–November 2019

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# **A Letter from our Superintendent Rev. Nick Thompson**

Dear Friends

Happy New Connexional Year! The Circuit is very pleased to welcome Revd Georgina Bondzi-Simpson to her appointment at Wesley and the Avenue! We welcome Georgina and her husband Leslie most warmly and look forward to their time with us very much. I am writing this before they move into the manse in Castlefield but I want to thank Nigel Sweet and David Sparks in particular and everyone else who has worked so hard to equip the manse well and to decorate it. Georgina and Leslie will only be moving in a few days before September 1st so we have agreed to give Georgina sufficient time to settle in well.

Georgina comes to us as a Probationer Presbyterian following her training at Queen's College, Birmingham. We know that Georgina was a very valued member of the Queens Community and brings to us many gifts and graces from her time there and before!

Marlow Church welcome Lynda Hopkins too this September as she begins her work as a Children and Families Worker. Lynda has been working in different ways in churches around the Henley area and brings great gifts in art and music in particular.

This year the Circuit wants to engage well with the Connexional initiative being led by Trey Hall on Growth and Evangelism. For too long as a Church we have been hesitant to look to grow in God's name. We have not felt confident in this area of our outreach. On Saturday October 5th Trey and a team will be leading a District Day to encourage us in this calling and I do urge as many from the Circuit as possible to attend in Abingdon that day. Details of the day have been sent to each Church by Nigel Sweet recently and I hope there are details included in this Plan also.

The day will include a workshop on connecting with our communities which is something that all our Churches are encouraged to do of course.

As Churches we know we need to do this in ever more imaginative and faithful ways.

The way in which we communicate is always important of course and I am pleased to say that the Circuit has a new website which will help us to present to the world in a more up to date and user-friendly way.

We know that in the last 30 years the way that we communicate and access information has changed dramatically. For young adults in particular there has been a significant change in the way they receive and process

information. So if we are to connect well with younger generations we need to tell more stories and think in more creative and innovative ways as we seek to communicate the Good News of Jesus and the life and hope that he longs for the world to know.

This is the most connected generation in history. But sheer quantity of connections does not equal quality. Someone may have numerous friends on social media and yet know a real loneliness and a lack of genuine friendships with real depth. As churches we must be much more intentional in inviting people into an authentic relationship with Jesus. Being part of the church is not just a network to plug in and out of, but a family to join and a community to be rooted in.

Following all that I hope we learn on 5th October and from the insights we share with one another across the Circuit I pray that we will see our Churches growing with people exploring faith and coming to know Jesus. Please pray for this to become a reality here and across the country. May we have open hearts to invite God into all that we are and to change us.

Every blessing to you all at the start of this New Year!

Nick

## **Worship Services at The Avenue**

The Avenue thanks everyone for their prayers and concern following the fire. They were able to return to the church for Singa's farewell service. However ongoing work has meant that for health and safety reasons they have not worshipped there during the rest of August. They thank Wesley for their welcome to worship with them and hope to soon be able resume worship as planned. Please contact Lesley Hatton for latest news. 01494 449409 [lesley3h@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:lesley3h@yahoo.co.uk)

**Circuit Meeting** - Monday 16th September @ Tylers Green, 7.30pm for 7.45pm

**Preachers and Worship Leaders Meeting** – Tuesday 24th September @ The Avenue, 7.45pm for 8.00pm

## **District Re-imagine Course**

5th October, 10.30am—3.30pm, All Saints Church, Abingdon. Details have gone to local churches and tickets are available via -

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/saints-alive-reimagine-ii-tickets-59889769914>

Key note speaker Trey Hall, Director of Evangelism and Growth, the Methodist Connection

| Q1<br>2019-2020                 |                                      | September 2019   |   |   |   |   |   |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|---|---|---|---|---|
|                                 | 1st<br>Sept                          | 8th<br>Sept  | 15th<br>Sept  | 22nd<br>Sept                                  | 29th<br>Sept  | 6th<br>Oct  |   |
| Marlow<br>WL                    | 9.30am<br>10.30am<br><br>6.30pm      | Goldstraw SL<br>10.45am Garde                                | N.Sweet   | Hatton freespirit                             | Thompson HC   | Garde HF<br><br>Cel @ F'well Heath<br>Be Still @ MB                             | Thompson SL<br>Bondzi-Simpson<br>HC                                       |
| Marlow Bottom<br>WL             | 9.30am<br>11.00am<br><br>6.30pm      | @ St. Mary's HC<br>Lantern @ Meth-<br>odist                  | @ MB Singleton<br><br>@ St. Mary's AAW<br><br>Thompson HC | @ St. Mary's HC<br>Lantern @ Meth-<br>odist   | LA<br><br>@ St.Mary's<br>N. Sweet HC<br>AAW<br><br>@ St. Mary's | @ St Mary's HC<br><br>@ Methodist<br>Thompson HF<br><br>@ Methodist<br>N. Sweet | @ M<br>Thor<br><br>@ St<br>Bon  |
| Flackwell Heath<br>WL           | 10.00am<br>11.00am<br><br>6.30pm     | Freshare<br>LA AAW   | Freshare<br>Thompson HC                                   | Freshare<br>Newman                            | Freshare<br>Manthorpe<br><br>Cel Thompson                       | Freshare<br>P. Sweet<br><br>@ Christchurch<br>Thompson US                       | Fresh<br>New<br>AAW HF  |
| Wesley<br>WL                    | 10.30am                              | Sparks   | Bondzi-Simpson<br>HC                                      | Goldstraw                                     | Goldstraw   | Bondzi-Simpsdon HF  | Goldstraw Pet<br>Service  |
| The Avenue<br>WL                | 10.30am<br><br>6.30pm                | Joint service<br>at Wesley                                   | C. Luscombe SL  | Bondzi-Simpson                                | Bondzi-Simpson<br>HF<br><br>Cel @ Flackwell                     | Green   | C. Luscombe   |
| Cryers Hill<br><br>Holmer Green | 10.30am<br><br>10.30am<br><br>6.00pm | Orange<br><br>Foday HC<br><br>7.00pm @ Baptist<br>Foday ACTS | Cooper<br><br>Foday HC<br><br>SL<br>Stevens               | Foday HF<br><br>3.00pm Crowle<br><br>Thompson | LA<br><br>Spooner<br><br>Singleton                              | Hurst T<br><br>Cooper<br><br>Foday HF<br>BB Parade Service                      | Bolton<br><br>Hargrove<br><br>Stevens<br>7.00pm @ Bap-<br>tist Acts Foday |
| Tylers Green<br>WL              | 10.45am                              | Bolton   | Foday HC  | Crowle  | Green   | LA HF   | Foday HC  |
| Downley<br>WL                   | 9.30am<br>10.00am                    | Hargrove<br>Craft Club                                       | Goldstraw   | Taylor  | Foday HF HC   | Stevens   | Green<br>Craft Club   |

AAW—All Age Worship, , Bap—Baptism, CA— Church Anniversary, C  
LA—Local Arrangement, RS—Remembrance Service, SL—Sunday Live, T

**NB Information from the churches and preachers for the next plan should be with Carolyn**

**Minister's rest days: Rev Nick Thompson—Friday Rev Vida Foday—Friday Deacon Rich**

| October   |  |   | November 2019                            |   |                                       |   |
|---|--|---|--|---|---------------------------------------|---|
| 13th Oct  | 20th Oct                               | 27th Oct  | 3rd Nov                                  | 10th Nov                                      | 17th Nov                              | 24th Nov  |
| Manthorpe   | Garde freespirit                       | Garde   | Thompson SL<br>Thompson HC               | 10.45am RS<br>@Causeway                       | Goldstraw<br>freespirit               | Thompson<br>Cel @ F'wellHeath<br>Be Still @ MB                    |
| Marlow Bottom HC  |  | Cel@ F'well heath<br>Be Still @ MB  |  |   |                                       |   |
| Methodist Thompson<br>St. Mary's AAW<br>Bondzi-Simpson HC | @ St. Mary's HC<br>Lantern @ Methodist | @ Methodist HC<br>Bolton T<br>Community Service<br>Sunday from St. Mary's | @ St. Mary's HC<br>Lantern @ Methodist   | 10.30am RS<br>@ Burford School<br>Thompson HC | @ St. Mary's HC<br>Lantern@ Methodist | @ Methodist Thompson<br>@ St. Mary's AAW HC Lovell<br>Be Still LA |
| Freshare<br>Newman  | Freshare Thompson HC                   | Freshare Bolton T<br>Cel LA   | Freshare J. Richie AAW                   | Freshare @ War Memorial RS                    | Freshare Thompson HC                  | Freshare Newman<br>Cel C. Luscombe                                |
| Singleton   | Bondzi-Simpson HC                      | Green   | Goldstraw                                | Crowle  | N. Sweet                              | Bondzi-Simpson HC CA  |
| Bondzi-Simpson SL HC                                      | Hargrove                               | Hurst T<br>Cel @ Flackwell  | Bondzi-Simpson HC                        | Hatton  | SL<br>Bondzi-Simpson                  | Stevens<br>Cel @ Flackwell  |
| Sitford   | Sparks                                 | Orange  | Foday HC                                 | Manthorpe                                     | Sitford CA<br>3.00pm Foday            | Hurst T   |
| St. Mary's T  | Green                                  | Spooner   | Foday HC                                 | Orange  |                                       | Hargrave  |
| SL<br>Foday HC  | N. Sweet                               | Goldstraw   | Sparks<br>7.00pm @ Baptist<br>Foday ACTS | SL<br>Bolton                                  | Foday HC                              | P. Sweet  |
| Hatton  | Hatton                                 | P. Sweet  | Green                                    | Orange RS                                     | Stevens                               | Foday HC  |
| Foday HC  | Thompson                               | LA  | Bolton<br>Craft Club                     | Foday HC                                      | Singleton                             | Taylor  |

cel—Celebrate Service, HC—Holy Communion, HF—Harvest Festival,

T—Transport Needed, WL—Worship Leader available, US—United Service.

in Luscombe by Friday 4th October—[plan@highwycombemethodist.org.uk](mailto:plan@highwycombemethodist.org.uk), 01491 410693

*Goldstraw—Saturday Rev Georgina Bondzi-Simpson—Monday and Study Day Thursday*

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|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--|--|
|  | Wesley   | Avenue                               | Marlow   | Marlow Bottom                                |  |
| Contact  | Barbara Sparks   | Lesley Hatton                        | Neil Manthorpe   | Robert Allinson                              |  |
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| Additional Hymn Books (All have H&P)                           | MPC/<br>StF  | MPC/StF/<br>SofF (few copies)        | StF SofF<br>1, 2, 3 & 4  | SofF   |  |
| Pew Bible / version  | Yes - NIV  | NIV                                  | Some NIV   | NIV  |  |
| Readers available  | Yes  | Yes                                  | Yes  | Yes  |  |
| Projector/screen   | Yes  | Yes                                  | Yes  | Yes  |  |
| Computer available on site                                     | Yes  | Yes                                  | Yes  | No   |  |
| Software   | Powerpoint   | Powerpoint                           | Powerpoint Easy Worship  | Powerpoint Easy Worship                      |  |
| Is there someone to control the presentation                   | Yes  | Yes                                  | Yes, or self operated  | Yes  |  |
| Able to play CDs/DVDs  | Yes  | Yes                                  | Yes  | CDs  |  |
| CCL Licence  | 289703   | 223226                               | 308433   | CCL873                                       |  |
| MRL licence  | 289703   | 223226                               | 409394   |  |  |
| Video reproduction licence                                     | 1092872  | 959806                               | 692716   |  |  |
| PRS Church licence   | 1092865  | 959796                               | 692709   |  |  |
| PPL Licence  |  |                                      |  |  |  |
| Children present, and usual number                             | 5 - 10   | 5-15                                 | 1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday 0, 3 <sup>rd</sup> AAW<br>2 <sup>nd</sup> , 4 <sup>th</sup> 12-14 | None   |  |
| Children's talk  | No   | Yes                                  | Yes on 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> , & 4 <sup>th</sup> Sundays <sup>t</sup>        | No   |  |
| Worship Leader   | Richard Hoyle  | Ken Wise<br>Alan Kingsnorth          | Paddy Gallagher  | No   |  |
| Sunday Live/MMW<br>N.B. children may not be present after this | No   | Monthly 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday       | Monthly  | Monthly                                      |  |
| Other notes and comments                                       | Children join to share their activity towards the end of the service |                                      | 5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday<br>Different style of worship                                     |  |  |

|  |                                       |                    |  |   |   |
|--|---------------------------------------|--------------------|--|---|---|
|  | Flackwell Heath                       | Cryers Hill        | Holmer Green                                 | Tylers Green                              | Downley   |
|  | Suzanne Soper                         | Gill Wood          | Richard Dorme                                | Peter Stevens                             | Clive Knapman   |
|  | 01494 673403<br>suzstoll@aol.com      | 01494 461665       | 01494 716897<br>Richard.dorme@btinternet.com | 01494 815256<br>psred-kite@googlemail.com | 01494 437791<br>knapman-clive@gmail.com                                       |
|  | StF<br>JP / MPC                       | MPC/<br>MHB        | MPC/StF                                      | MPC/StF                                   | MPC/StF   |
|  | NIV                                   | Yes - NIV          | Good News                                    | Good News                                 | NIV   |
|  | Yes                                   | Yes                | Yes  | Yes                                       | Yes   |
|  | Yes                                   | Yes                | Yes  | Yes                                       | Yes   |
|  | Yes                                   | Yes (no expertise) | No   | Yes                                       | Yes   |
|  | Powerpoint                            | Powerpoint         | LibreOffice<br>(Powerpoint compatible)       | Powerpoint                                | Powerpoint  |
|  | Yes – ask first                       | No                 | With notice                                  | No  | Yes   |
|  | Yes                                   | No                 | With notice                                  | CDs                                       | Yes   |
|  | 441390                                | 1164346            | 534867                                       | 158078                                    | 492806  |
|  | 441400                                | 1164353            | 534874                                       | n/a                                       | 492813  |
|  | 1217341                               | n/a                | n/a  | n/a                                       | 1178789   |
|  | 446890                                | n/a                | 534908                                       | 1499509                                   | 492820  |
|  |                                       |                    |  | 1697150                                   |   |
|  | 1-5                                   | None               | 1 or 2                                       | None                                      | Up to 20 on 1 <sup>st</sup><br>Sunday /month by<br>arrangement                |
|  | No                                    | No                 | Please check                                 | No  | No  |
|  | Shirley Wallis                        | No                 | No   | Chris Oxby Gerald-<br>ine Nelson          | Jenny Harding   |
|  | Sunday Live 3 <sup>rd</sup><br>Sunday |                    | Monthly 9.30 on 2 <sup>nd</sup><br>Sunday    | No  |   |
|  | Celebrate 4th<br>Sunday pm / month    |                    |  | Elderly -Wheelchairs<br>likely            | Children join to<br>share their activity<br>towards the end of<br>the service |

## Accredited Local Preachers

|       |                    |              |                                     |
|-------|--------------------|--------------|-------------------------------------|
| 1961* | Ralph Downes       |              |                                     |
| 1961* | Michael E R Britin | 01494 713524 |                                     |
| 1964  | Peter Green        | 01494 718985 | petergreen29@btinternet.com         |
| 1978  | Peter Stevens      | 01494 815256 | psredkite@gmail.com                 |
| 1980  | Barbara Sparks     | 01494 563663 | barbara.sparks@talk21.com           |
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| 1984  | David Sparks       | 01494 563663 | david.sparks@talk21.com             |
| 1989* | Graham Luscombe    | 01491 410693 | graham.luscombe3@gmail.com          |
| 1991  | Beryl Taylor       | 01494 638389 | beryl.taylor@kstat.co.uk            |
| 1992  | Nigel Sweet        | 01628 533174 | sweetnigelmartin2017@btinternet.com |
| 1996  | Pamela Sweet       | 01628 533174 | sweetpamelajane1@btinternet.com     |
| 1996* | Roberta Lunt       | 01494 442932 | luntroberta@yahoo.com               |
| 1996  | Terry Hurst        | 07842934377  | terence_hurst@hotmail.co.uk         |
| 2015  | Carolyn Luscombe   | 01491 410693 | carolyn.luscombe@btinternet.com     |
| 2018  | Margaret Newman    | 01494 713924 | margaretanne.newman@gmail.com       |
| 2019  | Lesley Hatton      | 01494 449409 | lesley3h@yahoo.co.uk                |

## Local Preachers On Trial

|                |              |                              |
|----------------|--------------|------------------------------|
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|                      |              |                            |
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| Rev David Holmes*    | 01628 298645 | hobrist@talktalk.net       |
| Tony Cooper          | 01494 715950 |                            |
| Rev John Billit      | 01844 201439 |                            |
| Mary Spooner         | 01494 862431 |                            |
| Pam Sitford          | 01491 862439 |                            |
| Jon Garde            |              | jon@garde.me               |

\* Not preaching this quarter

Responsibility for finding substitute preachers lies with the preacher concerned **and not** with the Superintendent. He should however be informed of any changes that occur.

## Accredited Worship Leaders

|                  |                 |              |                            |
|------------------|-----------------|--------------|----------------------------|
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| Jane Slater      | Marlow          | 01494 482880 | jtslater315@gmail.com      |
| Shirley Wallis   | Flackwell Heath | 01628 523022 | wallisrands@btinternet.com |
| Ken Wise         | The Avenue      | 01494 439872 | ken.wise@btinternet.com    |
| Geraldine Nelson | Tylers Green    | 01494 815631 | ganelson@hotmail.co.uk     |
| Christine Oxby   | Tylers Green    | 01494 814982 | christine.oxby@yahoo.co.uk |
| Paddy Gallagher  | Marlow          | 01628 298521 | paddygallagher@gmail.com   |
| Richard Hoyle    | Wesley          | 01494 713307 | richard.c.woyle@gmail.com  |

## Worship Leaders in Training/Sunday Live Only

|               |              |              |                              |
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| Richard Dorme | Holmer Green | 01494 716897 | richard.dorme@btinternet.com |
| Jackie Youens | Holmer Green | 01494 714870 | Jackie.youens@btinternet.com |
| Lisa Hough    | Holmer Green | 01296 623063 | lisaandmike@btinternet.com   |