



## Circuit Preaching Plan

September 2022 to November 2022

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## Superintendents Message

Dear Friends,

The current trend in a lot of Circuits around the Connexion, indeed in a lot of Churches of all denominations is one of pessimism, with aging congregations, depleting numbers, and financially starved Churches, meaning that across the land Churches are fighting hard, simply to keep going, knowing that the writing is on the wall. I am sorry if you feel that way, I can't and won't believe that this is the way God intended it to be, I passionately believe that the harvest is plenty and that there must be a future for the Christian Church in this country. One thing that has been evident throughout history is that as people struggle with the challenges of life there is a natural turning to God, the ministry of Jesus tended to be to those in need and through the generations this has been the place where the Church has been the most effective and I believe that we are on the threshold of new ways of being Church.

The last three years have been challenging and I will never stop praising God for the way he has brought us through and precisely because of the pandemic we have learned new ways to be Church. The most amazing thing is that I believe that we are just at the tip of the iceberg, I believe that God has plenty in store for us in the coming months and years. The key to this is being open to the direction of the Spirit, accepting that we don't always know best, and this will mean taking risks, accepting that we will not succeed in everything first time, we will make mistakes, things will go wrong, but we must never be defeated. I believe that the Ipswich Circuit is now poised, and ready to do mission!

As we stand on the threshold of the new connexional year, we look forward to welcoming Rev Saul Tadzauche and Rev Abe Konadu-Yiadom into the Circuit team and that is exciting as we anticipate the gifts and graces, they will bring with them. The Methodist Conference debated once again the role of the Presbyter in the Church, which is a conversation that has been on going for years, even decades. There was a time that I believed that the success or failure of a Church depended on the minister, if we were packing them in on a Sunday, it was because we had a go-getting minister, if numbers were falling and there were no children, it was the minister's fault, and finding the right minister would turn the fortunes of the Church around.

Those who know me well will not be surprised to hear that I no longer believe that idea. I believe that the effectiveness of the Church, and indeed the Circuit works only if, ordained and lay people work cohesively as a team. During my time in the Ipswich Circuit, we have reduced from seven to four ordained ministers, there are two main reasons for this, availability of ministers, and affordability as Churches struggle financially. In his day, John Wesley talked about "The priesthood of all believers" and I passionately believe that our strength lies in good, strong, enthusiastic, creative, team leadership. I am often described as being in charge, I have never seen ministry in that way, my role in the Circuit and in the individual Churches I serve is to blend my gifts and graces with those of others, that we might work effectively together.

I remember chatting with Rev Martin Dawes soon after I arrived in Ipswich and he expressed a desire to minister somehow in the village of Wickham Market, chiefly because the large village sat slap bang in the middle of the triangle formed by the Churches at Framlingham, Orford, and Woodbridge. I encouraged him to pursue possibilities and over the last few years he and Gloria Theobald, one of our local preachers have worked, developing relations with the All Saints Parish Church. It was never the intention to plant a new Methodist Church, but to bring a Methodist Presence in the village and in the parish Church. Gloria was that presence and did some amazing work over the years. Sadly, Gloria passed away on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> July 2022 and we send our condolences to Roger and the family. Gloria is a good example of the priesthood of all believers, we thank God for her life and work of ministry.

As we learn to work together during the connexional year 2022-3 I am delighted that we move forward with the authority of the Circuit Meeting to further develop four Mission Areas

**The Northern Mission Area:** Framlingham, Kelsale, Knodishall, Leiston, Orford, Peasenhall & Sibton and Woodbridge churches.

**The Felixstowe Mission Area:** Kirton, Seaton Road, Trimley, and Trinity.

**The Ipswich Urban Mission Area:** Alan Road, Bramford Road, Chantry, Landseer Road, and Museum Street

**The Ipswich Rural Mission Area:** Bramford, Brantham, Capel St Mary, Chelmondiston, Elmsett, and Holbrook

We are using the term "Mission Area's" adopted by my predecessor Rev Alan Taylor, these are area's of mission, not simply sections of the Circuit and our aim is to lead the Circuit into mission and to win souls for Christ!

With best wishes           Derek

## Chair of East Anglia District

Rev Julian Pursehouse

### Ministers

Rev Derek Grimshaw (Superintendent)  
Rev Saul Tadzaushe

Rev Abe Konadu-Yiadom  
Rev Andrew Sankey

### Supernumerary Ministers

Rev Michael Allen  
Rev Bev Barclay  
Rev Mark Booth  
Rev Jane Cassidy  
Rev Mike Cassidy  
Rev Malcolm Clark  
Rev Ian Gardner  
Rev Helen Gardner

Rev Yvonne Haye  
Rev Joanna Jacobs  
Rev Chris Jowett  
Rev David Keeble  
Rev David Kemble  
Rev Margaret Millar  
Rev Stephen Yelland

### Chaplaincies

HMP YO1 Hollesley Bay and HMP Warren Hill- Mr Stephen Caley  
Methodist Home (Norwood) – Mrs Ruth Loggie

### Other Ministers

Rev Paulson Devasahayam Leela

*Paulson is an ordained minister in the Church of South India in the Kerala Diocese, he and his wife and daughter worship with us at Alan Road Church.*

### Lay Employees

Ms Emma Bowyer  
Mr Stephen Caley  
Mrs Elizabeth Hepplethwaite

Mr Neil Hepplethwaite  
Mrs Nicky Seabrook  
Mrs Rachael Wainwright

### Circuit Stewards

Mr Richard Anderson  
Mrs Elizabeth Cope  
Mrs Judith Steward

Mr Neil Hepplethwaite  
Mrs Elizabeth Hepplethwaite  
Mrs Margaret Gooderham

### Local Preachers (\* not taking appointments)

1950- Mr Raymond Sawyer CEng MIET \*  
\*1961- Mr Raymond Wilson \*  
1972- Mrs Margaret Powell \*  
1974- Mr Colin Westren FCA  
1977- Mr Mike Castle  
1979- Mr Grahame Lindsay \*  
1980- Mrs Alyson Ellis  
1980- Mrs Pam Hulford \*  
1981- Mr Stuart Bellis  
1982 – Mr Don Fletcher\*  
1986 – Mrs Margaret Gooderham  
1988- Mrs Gloria Theobald  
1991- Mrs Ellen Barber \*  
1991- Mrs Diana Sawyer  
1991- Mr Geoff Wilson  
1992- Mrs Nichola Glasse  
1993- Mrs Daphne Ellis \*

1993- Mrs Janet Foster \*  
1993- Mr Bryan Nichols ACIB  
1994- Mrs Jenny Archer \*  
1994- Mr William Glasse  
1997- Mr Stephen Caley  
1997- Prof David Welbourn CEng C Phys  
1998- Mr Roger Theobald  
1998- Mrs Marilyn Watsham \*  
1999- Mr Chris Finbow  
1999- Mrs Beryl Mabbutt \*  
2000- Mrs Margaret Woods \*  
2013- Mrs Elizabeth Cope  
2013- Mrs Jane Paterson  
2015- Mrs Carole Almond  
2021- Mr Paul Walker  
2021- Mr Luke Rokobuli  
2021- Mrs Vickie Vallow

*Note: Don Fletcher has moved in the circuit from the Sleaford Circuit in Lincolnshire and is now a member at Alan Road. He is retired from preaching, and it is good to have him among us.*

### Preachers on Trial

2016- Mrs Ruth Loggie  
2016- Mrs Maggie Finbow  
2021 - Mrs Elizabeth Hephlethwaite  
2021- Miss Anna Howes

### Preachers on Note

2021- Mr Mark Macdonald  
2022 – Mrs Christine O’Neill

### Worship leaders

<b>Bramford</b>	Mrs Jackie Howes (2004)	
<b>Bramford Road</b>	Mrs Sharon Clarkson	
<b>Capel</b>	Ms Emma Bowyer (2009)	
<b>Chelmondiston</b>	Mrs Rachael Wainwright (2014)	
<b>Elmsett</b>	Mr Russ Allen (2014)	Mr Mike Stock (2007)
<b>Framlingham</b>	Mr Richard Anderson (2009)	Mr Peter Webb (2009)
<b>Holbrook</b>	Mrs Sylvia McLean (1997)	
<b>Kelsale</b>	Mrs Maggie Scott	
<b>Knodishall</b>	Mrs Wendy Jobson	
<b>Landseer Road</b>	Mrs Elizabeth Hephlethwaite (2016)	
<b>Museum Street</b>	Mrs Betty Lindsay (2001)	
<b>Seaton Road</b>	Mr Robin Pattinson (2002)	
<b>Trinity</b>	Mrs Madeline Ellis (2007)	
<b>Woodbridge</b>	Miss Helen Peats (2009)	

### Key:

LA=Local Arrangement  
S=Sacrament (Holy Communion)  
CA = Chapel Anniversary  
CW= Creative worship  
T = Transport Required

### Called to Preach or Lead Worship:

We currently have seven people in the circuit who have felt called to be Local Preachers or worship leaders and are currently at different stages of training. If you feel that God is calling you either to Lead Worship, or to Preach, please speak to your local minister, a Local Preacher, or alternatively contact Derek landline 01473 805486 mobile 07501 026360 or email at [ipswichsuper@methodistic.org.uk](mailto:ipswichsuper@methodistic.org.uk)

### Deadline for December – February Plan:

All plan information to be with Emma Rudiger [plan@methodistic.org.uk](mailto:plan@methodistic.org.uk) or by post to Rev Derek Grimshaw by Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> October at the very latest please.

### Visiting Preachers:

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Rev Paulson Devasahayam	<a href="mailto:paulson_dl@rediffmail.com">paulson_dl@rediffmail.com</a>	07796632720

### Notices for Circuit services:

Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> September 7pm Welcome service for Rev Abe Konadu-Yiadom and Rev Saul Tadzauche at Trinity in Felixstowe.

At the heart of community. Ipswich Methodist Circuit		4 <sup>th</sup> September	11 <sup>th</sup> September	18 <sup>th</sup> September	25 <sup>th</sup> September
Digital/ Printed		Welbourn	Grimshaw	Sankey	Cope
Alan Road	10:45	Grimshaw S	Devasahayam	Haye	Cope HF
	18:00				
Bramford	16:00	Grimshaw S	LA	Grimshaw	A Howes
Bramford Road	11:00	Ellis	M Finbow	Grimshaw S	Vallow
Brantham	11:00	I Gardner S	Nichols	I Gardner	Hagger
Capel St Mary	10:30	Hulford	T Jack	Scott	Sankey S
Chantry	10:00	Nichols	W Glasse	Loggie	9:30am Grimshaw S
Chelmondiston	10:45	Sankey S	Walker	Devasahayam	T Jack HF
	18:30				
Elmsett	9:45	Café LA HF	LA	Grimshaw S	N Glasse
Framlingham	11:00	Almond	Tadzauche S	Brown	Jacobs HF
Holbrook	10:00	Yelland S	Sankey	Rokobuli	HF
Kelsale	11:00	@ Peasenhall	Barclay HF	@ Knodishall	@ Peasenhall
Kirton	10:00	@ Trinity	@ Seaton/ Trimley	Konadu-Yiadom	@ Seaton/ Trimley
Knodishall	10:30	Welbourn	C Finbow	Tadzauche S	Jowett
Landseer Road	11:00	Cafe	Grimshaw S	-	A Howes
Leiston	10:30	Sue L Comm	Adam E	Peter D	Adam E HF
Museum Street	10:45	Siddal C/S	I Gardner	LA	Grimshaw HF
Norwood	15:00	Sankey	-	Grimshaw	-
Orford	10:30	Caley	LA	Caley	Tadzauche
Peasenhall	11:00	Westren	@ Kelsale	@Knodishall	Yelland
Seaton Road	10:00	@ Trinity	Konadu-Yiadom	@ Kirton/ Trinity	LA
Trimley	10:00	@ Trinity	Kemble	@ Kirton/ Trinity	LA
Trinity	10:00	Konadu-Yiadom S	@ Seaton/ Trimley	Café	@ Seaton/ Trimley
Woodbridge	10:45	Tadzauche S	LA	Jowett	R Theobald

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		2 <sup>nd</sup> October	9 <sup>th</sup> October	16 <sup>th</sup> October	23 <sup>rd</sup> October	30 <sup>th</sup> October
Digital/ Printed		Grimshaw	C Finbow	J Cassidy	M Cassidy	Gooderham
Alan Road	10:45	Grimshaw S	Nichols	Sankey	Walker	Rokobuli
Bramford	16:00	Grimshaw S	LA	Sankey	Grimshaw	Tadzauche
Bramford Road	11:00	LA	Rokobuli	Grimshaw S	Welbourn	I Gardner CA
Brantham	11:00	Bambridge	@ East B	I Gardner	LA	Hagger
Capel St Mary	10:30	Hannah	V Jack	Jelfs	Sankey S	Gooderham
Chantry	10:00	I Gardner P/ HF	Caley	Konadu-Yiadom	9:30am Grimshaw S	LA
Chelmondiston	10:45	LA	Sankey S	R Theobald	Westren	Welbourn
	18:15					
Elmsett	9:45	Yelland	Devasahayam	Grimshaw S	Ellis	LA
Framlingham	11:00	Playford	I Gardner S	Cope	W Glasse	C Finbow
Holbrook	10:00	Sankey S	C Finbow	G Wilson	Jowett	LA
Kelsale	11:00	@ Peasenhall	Tadzauche S	M Finbow	LA	@ Peasenhall
Kirton	10:00	Keeble S	@ Seaton/ Trimley	M Cassidy	@ Seaton/ Trimley	Konadu-Yiadom
Knodishall	10:30	LA	Vallow	Tadzauche S	A Howes	Nichols
Landseer Road	11:00	Café	Loggie	-	Grimshaw S	-
Leiston	10:30	@ Saxmundham	Livestream Ste Johns	Sue Hardy	Peter D	David S
Museum Street	10:45	Haye	Grimshaw S	Sawyer	Jacobs	Devasahayam
Norwood	15:00	Tadzauche	-	Grimshaw	-	Konadu- Yiadom
Orford	10:30	LA	LA	Caley	Tadzauche S	Caley
Peasenhall	11:00	Barclay	@ Kelsale	@ Kelsale	US at Anglicans	Tadzauche S
Seaton Road	10:00	@ Kirton/ Trinity	Jacobs S	@ Kirton/ Trinity	Konadu-Yiadom	@ Kirton
Trimley	10:00	@ Kirton/ Trinity	Konadu-Yiadom HF	@ Kirton/ Trinity	M Cassidy	@ Kirton
Trinity	10:00	Konadu-Yiadom HF	@ Seaton/ Trimley	J Cassidy S	@ Seaton/ Trimley	@ Kirton
Woodbridge	10:45	Tadzauche S	LA	Yelland	Nichols	N Glasse

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		6 <sup>th</sup> November	13 <sup>th</sup> November	20 <sup>th</sup> November	27 <sup>th</sup> November
Digital/ Printed		Konadu-Yiadom	Tadzauche	Jacobs	W Glasse
Alan Road	10:45	A Howes	Grimshaw S	LA	Westren
Bramford	16:00	Grimshaw S	LA	Sankey	Konadu-Yiadom
Bramford Road	11:00 17:30	Nichols	Haye	Grimshaw S Pizza & Praise Grimshaw	LA
Brantham	11:00	I Gardner S	@ Local Church	I Gardner	Walker
Capel St Mary	10:30	Pepper	Sankey	Smith	Hepplethwaite's
Chantry	10:00	Vallow	Rokobuli	Gooderham	9:30am Grimshaw S
Chelmondiston	10:45	Ellis	LA	Sankey S	Welbourn
	18:15				
Elmsett	9:45	Cope	@ St Peters	Grimshaw S	G Wilson
Framlingham	11:00	Tadzauche S	United @ St Michaels	P Dawson	W Glasse
Holbrook	10:00	Sankey S	LA United	Cope	R Theobald
Kelsale	11:00	@ Peasenhall	R Theobald	Tadzauche S	@ Peasenhall
Kirton	10:00	J Cassidy S	@ Seaton/ Trimley	Konadu-Yiadom	@ Seaton/ Trimley
Knodishall	10:30	LA		N Glasse	I Gardner S
Landseer Road	11:00	Cafe	LA	-	Grimshaw S
Leiston	10:30	Adam E Comm	Sara P	W Glasse	Livestream Castle Hill
Museum Street	10:45	Grimshaw S	LA	Welbourn	Loggie
Norwood	15:00	-	Sankey	-	Tadzauche
Orford	10:30	Caley	Caley	LA	Tadzauche
Peasenhall	11:00	Jowett	@Kelsale	@ Kelsale	C Finbow
Seaton Road	10:00	@ Kirton/ Trinity	Kemble	@ Kirton/ Trinity	Konadu-Yiadom S
Trimley	10:00	@ Kirton/ Trinity	Konadu-Yiadom S	@ Kirton/ Trinity	Keeble
Trinity	10:00	Konadu-Yiadom S	@ Seaton/Trimley	Jacobs	@ Seaton/ Trimley
Woodbridge	10:45	Devasahayam S	Tadzauche	M Finbow	LA