

DETAILS OF FORTHCOMING SERVICES AND EVENTS:

7 December	Woodhouse Handsworth	10.30 am 6.00 pm	Mr J Young Rev Debora Marschner (Memorial Service)
14 December	Handsworth Woodhouse	10.30 am 6.00 pm	Rev Debora Marschner (Holy Communion) Rev Debora Marschner (Carol Service with the Woodhouse Prize Band)
21 December	Woodhouse	10.30 am	Mr Andrew Maxfield
24 December	Handsworth	6.00 pm	Rev Debora Marschner (Christmas Eve Carols by Candlelight)
25 December	Handsworth	11.00 am	Rev Debora Marschner (Christmas Day Service)
28 December	Handsworth	10.30 am	Rev Sean Adair
4 January	Woodhouse Handsworth	10.30 am 6.30 pm	Mr David Andrews Rev Debora Marschner (Holy Communion)
11 January	Handsworth	10.30 am	Mr Michael Gagan
18 January	Woodhouse	10.30 am	Rev Debora Marschner (Holy Communion/ Covenant Service)
25 January	Handsworth	10.30 am	Mr Greg Unwin

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Heavenly Father, as we prepare for Christmas,
help us to find time for quiet reflection on the
wonder of your love, that your story may
penetrate our hearts and minds.
Amen.

HANDSWORTH WOODHOUSE METHODIST CHURCH



ALL ARE WELCOME HERE

Sunday 30 November 2025
(First Sunday in Advent)

Service at Handsworth

10.30 am - Led by Rev Debora Marschner

**Everyone is welcome to worship. We hope
that you will enjoy sharing in worship with
us and we invite you to join us on other
occasions.**

Weekly Diary:			
Monday	1 December	10.00 am – 11.30 am	Heart of Knitting at Woodhouse – new knitters or beginners welcome!
Tuesday	2 December	6.15 pm	Girls' Brigade at Handsworth
Thursday	4 December	3.30 pm – 5.00 pm	Lego Club at Woodhouse
Friday	5 December	8.30 am 11.30 am 6.45 pm	Prayer Breakfast Lunch Club 'Food for Body and Soul' Boys' Brigade
Saturday	6 December	10.00 am – 12.00 pm 10.00 am – 12.00 pm	Coffee Morning at Woodhouse Coffee Corner at Handsworth

COFFEE MORNING AT WOODHOUSE: There will be a quiz on Saturday 13 December – all proceeds will go to the Roundabout charity and prizes awarded for first and second place.

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT: Monthly peer support group to talk about life, loss and grief. Meetings are usually held on the third Thursday of the month. The next meeting will be on Thursday 18 December. Please contact Rev Debora Marschner for more information. A Book of Remembrance has been opened at Woodhouse for anyone who would like to add a loved one's name to this.

DAILY BREAD: A free copy of the December 2025 to February 2026 issue of Daily Bread is now available at both churches – please take one!

QUIET DAY: Led by Rev Liz Wills on the theme 'Advent Voices' will take place at Woodhouse on Saturday 6 December at 10.00 am for a coffee and catch up for a 10.30 am start. It will finish at 3.30 pm. Don't forget to bring your lunch – drinks will be provided (donations gratefully received).

CHURCH CLEANING AT HANDSWORTH: The next cleaning date is Wednesday 17 December.

SILENT AUCTION: Please remember to save any unwanted Christmas presents for the Silent Auction! Watch this space for more details!

PRIZE BAND CAROL SERVICE: This will be held at Woodhouse at 6.00 pm on Sunday 14 December. Please bring a Christmas gift for the Roundabout charity if you are able to. Items such as shower gel, shampoo, soaps, chocolate etc will be greatly appreciated. The gift should be wrapped and labelled for boy/young man or girl/young woman.

FOODBANK: If you have anything to donate, there is a plastic box at the back of the church at Handsworth and at Woodhouse. If you are unable to get to church, Chris Turner would be happy to collect. Please contact him on 07742974484. All items donated should be in date. Thank you in advance for all contributions.

CHRISTMAS CARDS: As in past years we will be displaying a Church Family Christmas Card in both churches together with an offering plate. The idea is that, instead of buying individual cards for our friends at church, we sign one or both of the big cards and put a donation into the plate for a local charity.

Our prayers are asked for ALL who are sick, housebound, in community homes or hospitals, those with special needs and the people of Birks Avenue, Chapel Street, Trinity Methodist Church, Cross Street and Drive, Vicar Lane, Mauncer Estate, St Clements Court, Hardcastle Road and Drive, New Cross Way and Drive, Severnside Estate, Stradbroke Road, Hollis Croft, Twitchill Drive, Bishop Hill and Gardens and Outwood Academy. We pray for the community of Handsworth and this week we particularly pray for those who live on Parsley Hay Close, Drive, Gardens, Road, Ashbourne Road and Grove, Laverack Street and Wenlock Street.

If you know of any special event, anything of special interest or concern or any new item which you would like added to the greeting, please pass the information to Christine Jackson, tel: 2695263; email: cmj.rhj.42@gmail.com or Lesley Richardson tel: 2696954 or email: lesley_richardson7@btinternet.com

You can meet the God of all creation
in a supermarket or a factory.
You can travel with the common Christ
to a meadow or a high street.
You can feel the fill of the Spirit
on a mountaintop or in a waiting room.
God has no second class places
nor any second class people.

Janet Lees, from Tell Me the Stories of Jesus