

### "INSPIRE MAGAZINE"

The December edition of the free magazine "Inspire" is now available in the entrance hall, please take a copy.

### DARTMOOR WALK

This is a walk on Dartmoor on Saturday 9 December leaving the church at 9.15 am and returning at 5.00 pm. Further details are available on the notice board.

### CHRISTMAS SHOE BOX APPEAL

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the operation Christmas Child shoe box appeal. In total 60 boxes have been sent from this church and a donation of £63.29.

### VUE CINEMA VISIT

We are hoping to organise a visit to see the new film 'The Nativity' at the Vue Cinema on Monday 18 December at 6.00 pm.-times and cost to be confirmed. If you are interested please speak to Miriam.

### THIS MONTH:

**December 2006** is now available on a yellow sheet.

Items for the January monthly sheet should be submitted by Tuesday 19 December

If you have items for the weekly notices, please submit them to the church office by 12.30 pm on Thursday.

### Church office hours:

**Tuesday-Friday 9.30 am - 12.30 pm**

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## WELCOME TO RIDGEWAY METHODIST CHURCH

If you would like to help us get to know you, please complete the following information.

Title (Mr/Mrs/Miss/Other) .....

CHRISTIAN NAME .....

SURNAME .....

POSTAL ADDRESS .....

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POSTCODE .....

TELEPHONE NUMBER .....

E-MAIL .....

*THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS HELPFUL*

ARE YOU OFTEN HOME DURING THE DAYTIME?

YES / NO *(please delete)*

..... I have just moved to the area.

..... I am interested in joining the church.

..... I would like to know more about Gift Aid

..... I would like the minister to call

..... I would like information about

.....

*(please tick as appropriate).*

Please put in the office post box in the church entrance or pass to a steward. Personal information given on this form may be stored on computer.

If you are on holiday please take our greetings to your home church.



Welcome to  
**Ridgeway Methodist  
Church**

**3 December 2006**

10.30 am Revd John Haley  
Communion

**Please join us for coffee/tea  
after the morning service**

7.00 pm Mr Chris Sturley

Chris Sturley is one of our local  
preachers

## PRAYER FOR TODAY

Gracious God, speak to us now and help us to listen. Open our ears to all the ways your voice may come and then, like Samuel, teach us to respond in faith for Jesus sake.

Amen

### This Week's Bible Verse



"The people walking in darkness have seen a great light; on those living in the land of death a light has dawned"

Isaiah 9 : 2

### THIS MORNING'S ORDER OF SERVICE

*Hymns and songs are projected. If you would like a copy of Hymns & Psalms (HP) and Songs of Fellowship (SF) please ask a door steward and refer to the list below.*

HP 85 O come, O come Emmanuel

HP 871 Psalm 106

HP 81 Come, thou long-expected Jesus

SF 440 One thing I ask

SF 1419 Light of the world

HP 241 Lo, he comes with clouds descending

HP 246 There's a light upon the mountains

SF 1041 There's a place where the streets shine

SF 1007 Soon and very soon

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## THIS WEEK'S DIARY:

### MONDAY 4

7.30 pm Moore Bible Study (9)

### TUESDAY 5

10.00 am-12.00 noon Patchwork Group  
7.30 pm Ladies' Group Concert 'Reflections'; soloists from the Laira Youth Band in aid of the Cavitron fund

### WEDNESDAY 6

10.00-12.30 Coffee followed by lunches

### THURSDAY 7

2.45 pm Women's Fellowship (Sue Couch)

### FRIDAY 8

6.30 pm Men's Fellowship Christmas Meal

### SATURDAY 9

10.00-12.00 Oasis Coffee Bar : Church Outreach  
(Pat Stead)

### SUNDAY 10

10.30 am Deacon Ruth Richey  
6.00 pm Revd John Haley  
All-Age Candlelit Celebration

### WORLD MISSION FUND

There will be an opportunity to send Christmas greeting to your friends in our church family via the Christmas tree in the entrance hall. As usual a donation to the Methodist Fund for World Mission would be appreciated. This can be given to Beth Saunders, Christine Mudge or any of our Church Stewards.

## PLEASE PRAY FOR...

John Haley and Chris Sturley who are leading our services today. We continue to pray for: Lesley and Vic; Julia and Nick Saunders; Mike Loudon and Cynthia Horswell. Please also remember in your prayers all of those in our church family who are unable to join us for Sunday worship.

### PRAYER DIARY

Requests for prayer are included in the prayer diary for three weeks. After the third week you can renew these requests if you have updated information. Please inform a steward of your request. Prayer cards are also available for use or to be given to family or friends who might wish to send in requests.

### WHOLE CHURCH PRAYER INITIATIVE

Updated prayer cards are available in the vestibule, for our whole church prayer initiative. Please take up to 3 cards and sign the appropriate place on the sheets. Copies of our Plympton prayer diary are still available. If you would like one please see one of the stewards.

### CHRISTMAS MUSIC

Please come and join us in the church on Tuesday for the Ladies' Group Christmas Concert.

### THANK YOU

I would like to thank our minister and the church family for all their lovely greetings and the beautiful basket of flowers given to me for my 100th birthday. I had a wonderful day with my family and friends which was really memorable. Thank you once again and God bless you all.  
Vera Giles

### CHRISTMAS ACTIVITIES

Next Sunday there will be Christmas activities for children from 3.00 pm, which will include preparations for the Candlelit Celebration.

### CHRISTMAS CARDS

Please collect your card from the entrance hall. If you are able to deliver to your pastoral group or friends, that would be most helpful.