

The national media has not always reported news from the Methodist Conference accurately. Last week in Torquay, in considering the 'Pilgrimage of Faith Report', the Conference decided to ask the working party which had produced the report to continue their work as they pursue the various issues which the report identified. This includes how the church should respond to government legislation and how Methodist ministers should respond when asked by lesbian and gay couples for a blessing on their union. The Conference agreed that guidance on all these issues was required, but made no commitment at this stage as to what this guidance ought to be. www.methodist.org.uk

SECURITY ON SUNDAYS

In the interest of the security and safety of all those present on Sunday, the main doors will be locked 10 minutes after the beginning of both morning and evening services. Door Stewards and Church Stewards will maintain an awareness for anyone arriving later than this.

WEEKLY NOTICES

Items for inclusion in the weekly notice sheet must be passed to the church office by 12.30 pm on Wednesday.

THIS MONTH: JULY

Available on a blue sheet

Church office hours:

Tuesday-Friday 9.30 am - 12.30 pm

Church telephones: 348178 (office only)

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WELCOME TO RIDGWAY 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 July 2005

10.30 am
Revd John Haley
Holy Communion

7.00 pm
Evening Praise
Revd John Haley

PRAYER FOR TODAY

Let my heart adore you for ever, O Lord,
that waking or sleeping I may never cease
to worship you. May your angels keep
watch over me day and night and may the
praise from my lips mingle with the songs
of heaven. AMEN

This Week's Bible Verse



“My soul will be satisfied
as with the richest of foods;
with singing lips
my mouth will praise you.

On my bed I remember you; I think of you
through the watches of the night.

Because you are my help,
I sing in the shadow of your wings.”

PSALM 63 : 5—7

THIS MORNING'S ORDER OF SERVICE

SF 1187 Before the throne of God above
(Tune: Jerusalem) [Words: do not
repeat last line of verse]

HP 836, Psalm 8

HP 239 (ii - Rimington)

SF 10 All heaven declares

SF 753 He has risen

HP 520

HP 244

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TUESDAY 5

10.00 am—12.00 Patchwork Group
7.30 pm Crosstalk. Circuit Prayer Meeting at Stoke

WEDNESDAY 6

10.00 am—1.00 pm Coffee followed by lunches
7.30 pm Church Prayer

THURSDAY 7

2.45 pm Women's Fellowship—Garden Party
7.30 pm Elburton Methodist Church
Service of Welcome and Dedication for
Miss Danie Pearson
(Church Community Worker)

SATURDAY 9

9.15 am Dartmoor walk
Please see notice board for details
10.00 am—12 noon Oasis Coffee Bar
In support of Video licence. Youth Council
7.30 pm 'Recharge'

SUNDAY 10 JULY SERVICES

10.30 am Mrs Sheila Merrin
7.00 pm Mr James Darby

HELP NEEDED

Ann Atkin would appreciate a lift home from the Sunday
morning services.
If you are able to help please speak to one of the stewards.

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Revd John Haley who is leading our services
today. We continue to pray for George,
(brother-in-law of George Palmer), Lydia
Wood, Derek Muncey, Ben.

Prayer Diary

Requests for prayer are included in the prayer
diary for 3 weeks. After the 3rd 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 / friends who might wish to send
in requests.

Time to pray

The lounge will be available on Sundays from
9.45—10.15 am for those who would like to
pray; in particular upholding those involved in
the Sunday service.

HOLY COMMUNION

The Methodist Church welcomes baptised people from
all Christian denominations to receive communion. We
normally receive communion at the communion rail and
are shown forward by stewards.

If you do not wish to receive communion you are
welcome to come forward for a simple blessing.

If you wish to receive communion but find coming
forward difficult please speak to a steward.

There will be a retiring collection after the service for the
Benevolent Fund.