

**CHRISTIAN AID - OASIS 16 MAY**

Oasis on Saturday 16 May will be raising funds for Christian Aid. If you are able to donate cakes or savouries, or to help on the day, please speak to Pat Stead.

**GIRLS' BRIGADE STRAWBERRY CREAM TEA**

The Girls' Brigade would like to invite everyone to join them on Saturday 30 May at 4.00 pm for a Strawberry Cream Tea. This is an opportunity for the girls to say thank you to the church for all the support and prayers they have received during the year and to wish Linda all the best for the future, as she leaves university and Plymouth. It would greatly assist with the catering if you would let Lynne know on 518793 or via the church office if you are planning to come.

**THIS MONTH:**

**May 2009** is now available on a green sheet. Items for the June monthly sheet should be submitted by Tuesday 26 May. If you have items for the weekly notices, please submit them to the church office by 11.00 am on Thursday.

***In the unlikely event of a fire, the fire alarm will sound. Please follow a Fire Marshall leaving by the nearest fire exit.***

***Assembly point: lower car park.***

**Church office hours:**

**Tuesday-Friday 11.00 am - 2.00 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.

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Welcome to  
**Ridgeway  
Methodist Church**

**10 May 2009**

**10.30 am**

**Revd David Hull**

(Chaplain at Shebbear College)

Please join us for coffee/tea  
after the morning service

**7.00 pm**

**Tony Anthony at  
Plymouth Guildhall  
(no service)**

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## PRAYER FOR TODAY

Lord Jesus Christ, as you have turned the water into wine, help us to glimpse the special in the ordinary, the first in the last and the possible in the impossible. Help us to bring out the best in every person and situation, to the glory of your name.

Amen.

This Week's Bible Verse



Jesus said to the servants, "Fill the jars with water"; so they filled them to the brim. Then he told them, "Now draw some out and take it to the master of the banquet." They did so. ... Then [the master] called the bridegroom aside and said, "Everyone brings out the choice wine first and then the cheaper wine after the guests have had too much to drink; but you have saved the best till now."

(John 2: 7-8, 10)

## 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 for the books and refer to the list below.*

HP193 Christ the Lord is risen today

SF753 He has risen

SF10 All Heaven declares

SF120 From Heaven You came

SF 34 At Your feet we fall

SF 646 All I once held dear

HP521 Hark, my soul! It is the Lord

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## BOOK STALL

Today is the final day to look at the current selection of books. A new selection will be available from next week.

## PASTORAL VISITORS

A reminder that the next Pastoral Committee Meeting is on May 13 in the Lounge at 7.30 pm. Sue Couch.

## THIS WEEK'S DIARY

### Monday 11 May:

9.00 am - 1.00 pm Pre-school

1.30 The Lyfe Bible Studies

6.00 pm Boys' Brigade

6.15 pm Exploring Church membership (1) crèche

7.30 pm Minister's Bible Study (Acts, unit 3)

### Tuesday 12 May:

9.00 am - 1.00 pm Pre-school

10.00 am - 11.30 am Parent/Toddler Group

10.00 am - 12.00 Patchwork Group

3.00 - 4.00 pm Cake Café

7.45 pm Ladies' Group: Jim McMullin

### Wednesday 13 May:

9.00 am - 1.00 pm Pre-school

10.00 am - 12.30 pm Coffee followed by lunches

7.30 Pastoral committee

### Thursday 14 May:

9.00 am - 1.00 pm Pre-school

10.00 am - 11.30 am Parent/Toddler Group

2.45 pm Women's Fellowship: Louise Carter

5.45 pm Girls' Brigade

### Friday 15 May:

9.00 am - 1.00 pm Pre-School

10.00 am - 11.30 am Parent/Toddler Group

### Saturday 16 May:

10.00 am - 12.00 pm Oasis Coffee Bar:

Christian Aid (Pat, Monica & others)

10.00 am-12.30 pm *Homosexuality: Truth and Compassion*

(True Freedom Trust at Grace Community Church, Looe)

### Sunday 17 May:

10.30 am Revd David Martin

7.00 pm Revd David Youngs

## TONY ANTHONY EVENT

If anyone requires transport to hear Tony Anthony speak at the Guildhall at 7.00pm, please speak to one of the stewards. Please let Simon know if you are able to assist in welcoming people to the Guildhall or being part of the prayer team.

## PLEASE PRAY FOR...

Revd David Hull, who is leading the service this morning; Tony Anthony and his team; Grace and her family; the Lawrence family; Lester and his family; Fiona Beattie; Janet Bell's father; Jacky; Lewis; Ron Thompson; Lesley Knill; Rose Pearson; Jo and Matt; our music group.

## 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.

## THE NOISE

Thank you to everyone for their donations and prayerful support over the NOISE weekend. A special thank you to all those who attended any of the events: the teenagers were encouraged by your presence.

## 24 HOURS OF PRAYER

We will be holding 24 hours of prayer from 7.00 am on 28 May to 7.00 am on 29 May as part of Churches Together in Plymouth's contribution to *10 Days of Prayer* (<http://www.worldprayer.org.uk/gdop---welcome/10-days-of-prayer/>) in the lead up to Pentecost. A prayer rota is available in the vestibule for you to sign up to pray at church or at home. Please speak to Miriam or Simon for more information.

## MINISTER'S BIBLE STUDY

On Mondays at 7.30 pm we are doing a 10-week series on Acts. We aim to finish at 9.00 pm with tea/coffee and superior biscuits. New members are very welcome to the group.

## CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

If you are attending regularly on Sundays and feel that you would like to explore what it means to be a church member you are welcome to attend the four membership groups on Monday evenings (starting 11 May) at 6.15 pm. If you are interested in membership but cannot attend the groups please speak to the minister or a steward.