

PASTORAL VISITORS' DEDICATION SERVICE

The date of the 2009 Pastoral Visitors' Dedication Service has been changed from 5 July to 12 July as Revd John Haley is assisting at an ordination service in Wolverhampton.

INSPIRE MAGAZINE

Inspire Issue No 33 is now available on the leaflet table in the vestibule.

SEEK, SERVE, FOLLOW

Groups to develop our faith and share it with others. Monday 1.30 pm, Wednesday 7.30 pm, Friday 7.30 pm. This week's theme: Next steps? Meetings at church, all welcome.

THIS MONTH:

December 2008 is now available on a cream sheet. Items for the January monthly sheet should be submitted by Tuesday 16 December.

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.

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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

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(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**
30 November 2008

10.30 am

Dr Philip Walsh

(a local preacher from
Plymouth Central Hall)

Please join us for coffee/tea
after the morning service

6.00 pm

Revd David Martin

(District Evangelism Enabler)

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PRAYER FOR TODAY

Sovereign God, guide us in the reading and understanding of your word, until it becomes so much part of us that your voice is heard through all we are and do. Speak to us 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.

AMEN

This Week's Bible Verse



The people walking in darkness have seen a great light; on those living in the land of the shadow 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 for the books and refer to the list below.

SF 425 O Lord, my God (How great thou art)

HP422 Sing we the King who is coming to reign

SF 1007 Soon and very soon

SF 544 There is a Redeemer

SF 1419 Light of the world

SF 1346 In Christ alone

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MARIE CURIE CANCER CARE

The retiring collection for the Memorial Service on 23 November totalled £210.51.

CHRISTMAS CARDS

Every household in our church community should receive a Christmas card in the next 10 days. If you do not receive a card fill in the details on this notice sheet and put it in the office post-box marked 'Christmas card'.

THIS WEEK'S DIARY

Monday 1 December:

9.00 am - 1.00 pm Pre-school

6.00 pm Boys' Brigade

7.30 pm Minister's Bible study: The Former Prophets
(2 Kings 18-25)

Tuesday 2:

9.00 am-2.40 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

7.30 pm Cross-Talk (Stoke): Revd John Haley

7.45 pm Ladies' Group: Lin Lomax

Wednesday 3:

9.00 am-1.00 pm Pre-school

10.00 am-12.30 pm Coffee followed by lunches

Thursday 4:

9.00 am-1.00 pm Pre-school

2.30 pm Circuit Network Carol Service

Revd John Haley

7.00 pm Girls' Brigade *Postcards from Bethlehem*

Friday 5:

9.00 am-2.40 pm Pre-School

10.00 am-11.30 am Parent/Toddler Group

Saturday 6:

10.00 am-12.00 pm Oasis Coffee Bar:

Outreach (Christine and Lydia)

Sunday 7:

10.30 am Revd John Haley (Holy Communion)

7.00 pm Dr John Birkett

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.

CELL GROUPS

Cell groups are meeting as usual this week. More information from Mike Tozer or one of the stewards.

PLEASE PRAY FOR ...

Dr Philip Walsh and Revd Dave Martin who are leading our services today. We continue to pray for family and friends of Mabel Legg; Joyce Keast; Cyril Stephens and Joan his wife; Novello Patterson; Geoff's sister; Rex and Jeanette Richards; Rose; Paddy; Maureen; and a young teenager.

GIRLS' BRIGADE

We would like to invite everyone to join us in the church on Thursday 4 December for our last meeting before Christmas, when the Girls' Brigade will be portraying the Christmas story in their own unique way. We will be presenting "Postcards from Bethlehem". The evening will begin at 7.00 pm and will be followed by coffee and mince pies in the main hall. Girls' Brigade meet again on Thursday 8 January 2009 for a Starry New Year Party.

JO AND MATT'S NEWS

Jo and Matt's most recent newsletter is now available. Thank you for your continuing support. Up-to-date news is available online at www.traveljournals.net/travelers/jomatt and through the notice board in the vestibule. They are always thrilled to receive emails or greetings. Their postal address is 16 Avenue 0-55, Zona 11, Carabanchel, Ciudad de Guatemala, Guatemala.

LADIES' GROUP

A concert will be held here at Ridgeway on 9 December at 7.30 pm. Although planned by Ladies' Group, it is a special concert for all featuring the Torpoint Lady Singers. For further details please see the notice in the vestibule.

WOMEN'S NETWORK

Please join us for the Network Carol service here at Ridgeway on 4 December at 2.30 pm. A warm invitation is given to all.

CHRISTMAS POSTERS

Posters are available on the bookshop table. A donation of £1.00 would be greatly appreciated. If you haven't already looked at the books please feel free to look at the new selection that has arrived.