

## THANK YOU

The family of the late Cyril Stevens, Joan, Janet and Gary would like to thank the church for the warmth and excellence of their support at his funeral on 17 April, and John for performing the ceremony with such grace. We have had many comments about the warmth of people at the event from friends and family. We are very grateful.

## 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.

## 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**

## Church telephones:

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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**

**3 May 2009**

**10.30 am**

**Revd John Haley**

**(Holy Communion)**

Please join us for coffee/tea  
after the morning service

**7.00 pm**

**Miss Catherine Stead**

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## PRAYER FOR TODAY

Lord, you chose to identify yourself with us in all our frailty and sinfulness. Help us to identify ourselves with you and be proud to bear your name. Fill our hearts with your love and draw near in your grace, so that our faith may stay fresh today and every day.

Amen.

This Week's Bible Verse



The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not be in want. He makes me lie down in green pastures, he leads me beside quiet waters, he restores my soul. He guides me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

(Psalm 23: 1-3)

## 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.*

HP 222 Hail, thou once despised Jesus

HP 861 Psalm 85

SF 10 All heaven declares

SF 753 He has risen

HP 684 Now I have found the ground

SF 89 Faithful one so unchanging

SF 976 Overwhelmed by love

SF 145 Great is the Lord

HP 616 Lord, enthroned in heavenly splendour

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## BAPTISM

Our morning service includes the baptism of the son of Sekope (Jacob) and Verenaisi (Vee) Nakanacagi, we welcome their family and friends who join us today.

## PASTORAL VISITORS

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

## THIS WEEK'S DIARY

### Monday 4 May:

Bank holiday

### Tuesday 5 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: Pauline Rooks (Alzheimer's Association)

### Wednesday 6 May:

9.00 am - 1.00 pm Pre-school

10.00 am - 12.30 pm Coffee followed by lunches

7.30 Stewards' meeting

### Thursday 7 May:

9.00 am - 1.00 pm Pre-school

10.00 am - 11.30 am Parent/Toddler Group

2.45 pm Women's Fellowship: Revd Mike Getley

5.45 pm Girls' Brigade

### Friday 8 May:

9.00 am - 1.00 pm Pre-School

10.00 am - 11.30 am Parent/Toddler Group

### Saturday 9 May:

10.00 am - 12.00 pm Oasis Coffee Bar:

Outreach (Christine and Lydia)

### Sunday 10 May:

10.30 am Revd David Hull

7.00 pm Tony Anthony at Plymouth Guildhall  
(no Ridgeway service)

## TONY ANTHONY EVENT

If anyone requires transport to hear Tony Anthony speak at the Guildhall on Sunday 10 May at 7.00pm, please speak to one of the stewards. In addition, please let Simon Rogers know if you are able to assist in welcoming people to the Guildhall or being part of the prayer team.

## CIRCUIT PLANS

May-August plans are available in the foyer, priced 30p.

## PLEASE PRAY FOR...

Revd John Haley and Catherine Stead who are leading our services today; Tony Anthony and his team; Jo and Matt; Grace Williams and family; Fiona Beattie; the Lawrence family; Janet Bell's father; Katie, Louise, and Gregory Mack; Lynn Shimmons; Ron Thompson; Jacky; Lewis; Lesley Knill; Lester and his family.

## 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.

## BOOK STALL

Please take a look at the books if you have not yet done so. If there is a particular Christian book or CD that you would like, we can order it for you. We also supply Bible reading notes from Scripture Union and CWR.

## THE NOISE (May 3 & 4)

Thank you to everyone for their donations. Please come along to the prayer walk around Plympton (3 May 2.00-4.00 pm), and the family fun afternoon at Castle Green (4 May 2.00-4.00 pm).

## PROPERTY COMMITTEE

A very big thank you to all those who assisted in clearing and levelling the void area. Once fully completed this area will provide very useful additional storage. Guided tours can be arranged with John Buttle; please tip the tour guide generously!!

## 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.

## 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.