

## BOOKS FOR SCHOOLS

We have received letters and pictures from schools we were able to visit and to whom we gave a selection of books. We have been blessed with messages from the schools at Mount Wise, Austin Farm, Estover, Thornbury, Highfield, Plym View, Knowle, Bull Point, Drake and Marlborough. The schools were most appreciative of our thoughts and were very pleased to have a wide selection of books for the children to use.

### THIS MONTH:

**March 2008** is now available on a green sheet.

Items for the April monthly sheet should be submitted by Tuesday 25 March.

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

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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**

**9 March 2008**

**10.30 am**

**Mrs Janet Dobinson**

Janet Dobinson is a local preacher from our  
Roborough Church

Please join us for coffee/tea  
after the morning service

**7.00 pm**

**Revd Andrew Earl**

Andrew Earl is a pastor of the Ark Mission,  
Liskeard

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## PRAYER FOR TODAY

Come, Lord, like the wind to move us and direct us. Come as the breath to fill us and refresh us. Come to your church which without you is dull and dry, and fill us with your Spirit. Call us out of death and darkness into life and light. Lord restore, renew and revive your people; in Your name we pray.

AMEN

This Week's Bible Verse



As he looked up, Jesus saw the rich putting their gifts into the temple treasure. He also saw a poor widow put in two very small copper coins. "I tell you the truth," he said, "this poor widow has put in more than all the others. All these people gave their gifts out of their wealth; but she out of her poverty put in all she had to live on."

Luke 21 : 1-4

## 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 16 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

HP 559 What a friend we have in Jesus

HP 532 Lord of all hopefulness

SF 89 Faithful One

SF398 My Lord, What love is this?

HP 685 O Love that wilt not let me go

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## THIS WEEK'S DIARY

### Lifebuilder Cell Groups—"Self-Esteem" week 9

#### Monday 10:

7.30 pm Minister's Bible Study (Romans week 9)

**Cancelled due to illness**

#### Tuesday 11:

10.00-12.00 Patchwork Group

7.30 pm Men's Fellowship: Ken Snelling

7.30 pm Stewards' Meeting

7.45 pm Ladies' Group: Neil Reeves "Burrator"

#### Wednesday 12:

10.00-12.30 Coffee followed by lunches

7.00 pm Christianity Explored (week 8)

7.30 pm Lent Course held at Mudge Way Community Church

#### Thursday 13:

2.45 pm Women's Fellowship: Peter Gregory

#### Saturday 15:

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

#### Sunday 16:

10.30 am Mr George Weddle with Mr Gary Streeter, MP

7.00 pm Revd John Haley: Communion

## PLEASE PRAY FOR...

Mrs Janet Dobinson and Revd Andrew Earl who are leading our services today. We continue to pray for: John Haley; Rose Pearson and her family; Ann Adams; Jean Connick; Miiziwoxolo Mikabeni.

## 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.

## THROUGH THE WARDROBE

Following the showing of "The Chronicles of Narnia" on Maundy Thursday, all children aged 5+ are invited to come to "Through the Window" on Good Friday from 11.30 am—2.00 pm. The cost will be £1.00.

## THE PIONEER DISCIPLE

A one-year course will be held during 2008-2009 which consists of 24 learning sessions and the support of a mentor for those who are planning, starting or continuing a "Fresh Expression". The course is designed for lay people, clergy, ministers, local preachers and readers, and is an initiative organised by the Anglican Diocese of Exeter and the Devon area of the Plymouth and Exeter Methodist District. Further details are available on the notice board, or please see a steward.

## FLOWER ARRANGING GROUP

The Flower Arranging Group will be meeting on Saturday 22 March at 10.00 am to arrange the church flowers for Easter Sunday. Anyone who would like to help will be very welcome.

*Sue Couch*

## NEW UPRIGHT CLEANER

Carl and Jean Edwards have a nearly new vacuum cleaner to give to a new home (not suitable for pet hairs). If interested please contact the office.