

This week at The Bridge		
Sunday 10th December	9.00am Holy Communion Rev Glenn Reading 10.30am Christingle Rev Ruth Wilson 4.00pm Café Church	
Tuesday 12th December	7.00pm Brigades Christingle Service	
Wednesday 13th December	9.30am Holy Communion 6.30pm Everywoman's Christmas Party	
Friday 15th December	6.00pm Boys Brigade	
Sunday 17th December	9.00am Morning Worship Terry Bill 10.30am Holy Communion Rev Glenn Reading 10.30am Messy Café Church 6.00pm Carol Service Rev Ruth Wilson	



# WELCOME

10th December 2017

A warm welcome to our services today especially if this is your first visit to The Bridge.

John the Baptist said "After me will come one more powerful than I, the thongs of whose sandals I am not worthy to stoop down and untie. I baptise you with water, but he will baptise you with the Holy Spirit"  
Mark 1 vv 7,8

Music for 10 December 2017			
Organ	Chromatic Fugue Cantabile	Pachelbel Rawsthorne	
Hymn	O little town of Bethlehem Once in royal David's city Round orange, round orange See him lying on a bed of straw	213 214 184 216	Singing the Faith
Organ	Postlude in G	Handel	

## RADIATE

Once again this year the Ecumenical Centre in Redditch is a key partner in offering shelter and hospitality to the homeless and vulnerable of Redditch. They need support in this venture from the local churches. Support can be given through individuals volunteering and also through financial donations. The Bridge Church is making a donation of £50 from church funds. If anyone feels they can make a personal donation then please give it to Terry Bill who will pass it on to the organisers. The operating costs for this year are estimated at £3000. Thank you

## CHILDREN'S SOCIETY BOXES – THANK YOU

The grand total collected this year through Children's Society collecting boxes is £792.78, which again is another RECORD AMOUNT. Thank you to everyone who has a collecting box for the work of the Children's Society.. If anyone would like a collecting box please phone Chris Ling on 01527 401238 or ask Roger Ling.

Please give any items for inclusion in this weekly news-sheet by Wednesday of each week, to Matthew Bailey or Roger Ling or send them via email to: [bailey\\_matt@btinternet.com](mailto:bailey_matt@btinternet.com) and [roger.j.ling@virginmedia.com](mailto:roger.j.ling@virginmedia.com)



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THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND

St George's school story telling Open The Book team is recruiting new members. Anyone with a spare hour to go into school and help present Bible stories, please speak with Judith Grubb, tel. 457789.

The annual international Hillsong Colour Conference for women only is taking place next year from Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> April to Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> April. It is an amazing, inspirational rock concert interspersed with internationally known Christian speakers. Further details from Judith Grubb, tel.

### STUDLEY METHODIST CHURCH CRIB FESTIVAL

FRIDAY 15H DECEMBER 10.00AM -4.00PM

SATURDAY 16TH DECEMBER 10.00AM -2.30PM

ALL WELCOME

HOT FOOD SATURDAY 12.00 PM-1.30PM

The Christmas Bazaar total raised was £1723.03 after expenses.

Thank you to all those who helped not only on the day but also those who worked for weeks before.

It is a phenomenal effort but worth it for raising much needed funds for the Bridge.

Rev Glenn Reading Tel: 01527 894436 / 0796 4282278

Rev Ruth Wilson Tel: 01527 541885

Rosie Humphrey, Administrator Tel: 01527 545120

**CHRISTMAS at THE BRIDGE**

Christmas is a special time at The Bridge as we look forward to celebrating the birth of Jesus.

*We hope you will be able to join us during this special time.*

**Sunday 10th December 10.30 a.m. CHRISTINGLE SERVICE**  
A lively all age service with the Scout and Guide groups

**Tuesday 12th December 7.00 p.m. CHRISTINGLE SERVICE**  
A lively all age service with the Boys' and Girls' Brigade groups

**Sunday 17th December 6.00 p.m. CAROLS by CANDLELIGHT**  
Traditional and Contemporary Carols and readings for everyone.

**Tuesday 19th to Thursday 21st December 7.00 p.m. Christmas Week Devotions**  
A half-hour each evening reflecting on a Christmas theme.

**Friday 22nd December Between 4.30 pm and 8.00 pm**  
An Advent Prayer Labyrinth - Wise Men, and Women, seeking Jesus. The final part of a week of Advent devotions at The Bridge.

**Sunday 24th December CHRISTMAS EVE 3.00 p.m. CRIB SERVICE**  
A Christmas service for the young and young at heart

**11.30 p.m. CHRISTMAS EVE HOLY COMMUNION**  
Celebrate Christmas at The Bridge

**CHRISTMAS DAY - celebrating the birth of Jesus**  
**10.30 a.m. CHRISTMAS DAY FAMILY SERVICE**  
**10.30 a.m. CAFÉ CHURCH CHRISTMAS DAY SERVICE**

**PLEASE JOIN US - A WARM WELCOME FOR EVERYONE**