

**Muddiford**



**United Reformed Church**

*(The Chapel in the Valley)*



**Stepping  
Stones**



**July 2023**

*One of the secrets of life is to make  
Stepping Stones out of Stumbling Blocks*

*Jesus said, I am the way, the truth, and the life.*

# MUDDIFORD MONTHLY

## JULY 2023

Date	Service Leader	Reader
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2<sup>nd</sup>



*Summer Celebration*

9<sup>th</sup>

Alison Biggs

Maureen

16<sup>th</sup>

Roger Bartlett

Pauline

23<sup>rd</sup>

Rev Colin Biggs

Chris

30<sup>th</sup>

Duncan Withall

Paul

Date	Flowers	Tea & Coffee
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2<sup>nd</sup>

Maureen

Pauline & Raymond

9<sup>th</sup>

Alison

Sheila & Dorothy

16<sup>th</sup>

Penny

Rosie & Chris

23<sup>rd</sup>

Gill

Penny & Gary

30<sup>th</sup>

Jean

Pam & Jean

All Services are at 10 a.m. on Zoom. Chat from 9.30 a.m.

We will also meet for our Weekly Prayer Meeting on Sunday evenings at 6:30pm on Zoom.



### Take Time

Take time to think – it is the source of power

Take time to play – it is the secret of perpetual youth

Take time to pray – it is the greatest power on earth

Take time to love and be loved – it is a God-given privilege.

Take time to be friendly – it is the road to happiness.

Take time to laugh – it is the music of the soul.

Take time to give – it is too short a day to be selfish.

Take time to work – it is the price of success.

# Barnstaple Musical Comedy & Dramatic Society

## Nativity! The Musical

*As last year the Christmas show is at the Queens Theatre Barnstaple. The dates this year are 30<sup>th</sup> November to 2<sup>nd</sup> December. If anyone would like to join us on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> November @ 7.30 p.m. please let me know as soon as possible and I will make a block booking. Seats are £21.95 each. As the box office is now open seats are beginning to sell so in order to get a number of seats together please, please let me know asap, if you would like to go and I will make the necessary arrangements. For more details please contact Paul.*

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**A little boy opened the big and old family Bible with fascination, and looked at the old pages, as he turned them, suddenly, something fell out of the Bible, and he picked it up and looked at it closely. It was an old leaf from a tree that had been pressed between the pages.**

**“Mummy, look what I found,” the boy called out.**

**“What have you got there, dear?” his mother asked.**

**With astonishment in the young boy's voice, he answered:**

**“I think it's Adam's suit!”**

*I have seen the golden sunshine, I have watched the flowers grow,  
I have listened to the song birds and there's one thing that I know  
They were all put there for us to share by someone so divine,  
And if you're a friend of Jesus, you're a friend of mine.*

## *Summertime*

Summertime is all dressed out  
In the latest style,  
Roses make a grand debut,  
Flowers growing wild.

All along a country road,  
Daisies take a nod,  
Seeds are planted in a field  
By the hand of God.

I'm sure as I can be  
That He must have planned,  
Angels with their color brush  
Paint the flowers grand.

Tiny, little buttercup  
In a bright array,  
Angels must have painted you  
On a sunny day.

- Katherine Smith Matheney



 SALESIAN MISSIONS



*At a crossroads of life?  
Check the signposts, the  
compass and the map, but  
above all things,  
Talk to the Guide.*