



# Muddiford



## United Reformed Church

*(The Chapel in the Valley)*



**Stepping  
Stones**

**December**

**2023**



***"The giving of gifts is  
not something man  
invented.***

***God started the giving  
spree when He gave a gift beyond words,  
the unspeakable gift of His Son."***





# MUDDIFORD MONTHLY

## DECEMBER 2023

<b>Date</b>	<b>Service Leaders</b>	<b>Reader</b>
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Rev Robert Manning	Andrew
10 <sup>th</sup>	Deacon Joan Cole	Dorothy
17 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Carol Service @ 6.30 p.m.</b> led by Rev Rob Weston	
24 <sup>th</sup>	 by members of the congregation	
	<b>Service Leaders</b>	<b>Reader</b>
	<b>Christmas Day</b>	
25 <sup>th</sup>	Peter Edwardson	Daphne
31 <sup>st</sup>	Tim Hedgecock	Paul
	<b>Flowers</b>	<b>Tea &amp; Coffee</b>
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Alison	Penny & Gary
10 <sup>th</sup>	Penny	Pam & Jean
17 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Christmas flowers.</b>	
24 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Christmas flowers.</b>	Gill & Adrian
25 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Christmas flowers.</b>	Pauline & Raymond
31 <sup>st</sup>	Gill	Sheila & Dorothy

For a 10 a.m. Service Zoom internet lines open from 9.30 a.m.

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Items for **the Muddiford Christmas Magazine**

to Paul by 10<sup>th</sup> December 2023 or earlier if possible please.



**Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December 7.15 for 7.30 p.m. start on Zoom  
A Christmas Evening led by Deacon Joan Cole.**

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**Advance Diary Date 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2024**

*You are invited to an evening at Paul & Daphne's.*

*6.00 p.m. for 6.30 p.m.*



*Rev. Rob Weston will preside at a Communion Service.*

*Followed by Christmas songs and festive music and light seasonal refreshments.*



*Please let us know if you are able to come.*

*All are most welcome.*

*Transport can be arranged if necessary. Daphne & Paul.*

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**Marwood Church Christmas Fayre**

**In the church on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2-4p.m.**

**Donations of cakes, preserves, goods for the gift stall, tombola prizes, raffle prizes will be needed.**

**They will be gratefully received between 10-12 noon on the day.**



*1 Come and sing the Christmas story  
this holy night!  
Christ is born: the hope of glory  
dawns on our sight.  
Alleluia! earth is ringing  
with a thousand angels singing  
hear the message they are bringing  
this holy night.*

*2 Jesus, Saviour, child of Mary  
this holy night,  
in a world confused and weary  
you are our light.  
God is in a manger lying,  
self effacing, wealth denying  
life embracing, death defying  
this holy night.*

*3 Lord of all! Let us acclaim him  
this holy night;  
king of our salvation name him,  
throned in the height.  
Son of Man let us adore him,  
all the earth is waiting for him;  
Son of God we bow before him  
this holy night.*

*From Psalm 8. Michael Perry (1942 - 1996)*