

Dorset Gardens Methodist Church

Minister: Revd Andy Lowe



Welcome to church today. If you are visiting us we hope you will make yourself known before you leave. Please do join us for coffee after morning worship.

Bibles & Large Print Hymn Books are available at the back of the church and there is a **loop system** for the hard of hearing, please switch your hearing aid to 'T'. We always try to address individual needs to the best of our ability. Please let us know if there's something we can do to improve what we currently offer.

Offering: If you would like to make a financial contribution our offering plate is located at the back of the church. We now also have a Card Reader for donating with your Debit/Credit card. Or you can still donate via JustGiving: **www.justgiving.com/dgmc**

Sunday 11th October 2026

Prisons Sunday

10.30 am

Morning Worship with Communion

Led by Revd Heather Leake Date

Keyboard Player Angela Patching

Welcome and Notices

Hymn StF 116 Sing for God's glory that colours the dawn of creation

Prayers

Readings Isaiah 25: 1-9 Read by Steve Preston
Matthew 22: 1-14

Hymn StF 3 Eternal God, your love's tremendous glory

Sermon

Hymn StF 481 The Lord's my shepherd

Tales and music from 3Generate

Prayers

Hymn StF 576 Bread is blessed and broken

Communion

Hymn StF 672 Where can we find you, Lord Jesus our Master?

Blessing



Flowers

The lovely flowers in church today come courtesy of
the Dorset Gardens Flower Fund.



Harvest Festival - Next Sunday, 18th October

Harvest Gifts

We would be very grateful to receive your gifts, which will be donated to **Voices in Exile**. The list of items required is below, the first ten items are considered essentials:-

Please note: All items should be dried, cartoned or tinned

Rice

Pasta

Couscous

Chickpeas

Lentils (red, green or Brown)

Beans (white, black or red)

Chopped Tomatoes

Tinned Fish (i.e. Tuna in oil/water)

Milk (UHT/alternative)

Hand Soap

Tinned meat; Tinned fruit; Baked beans; Soup (meat); Soup (vegetable); Oats; Cereal; Flour; Salt, pepper, spices, herbs; Cooking oil; Instant noodles; Chutney/pickles; Tahini; Dried fruit; Dried nuts; Peanut butter; Jam; Honey; Biscuits; Cakes, Nuts; Crisps; Chocolate; Sweets; Tea & coffee; Laundry liquid/powder; Shower gel; Shampoo; Toiletries; Hygiene products.

Thank you!

Next Sunday: 18th October ~ Harvest Festival

10.30 am, Harvest All Age Worship

Led by Geoff Harrington

Every Thursday

1 pm, **Service of Prayer & Praise**, in the Prayer Chapel.

2 pm, **Open House @ Dorset Gardens** - Tea, coffee, refreshments, crafts, board games... and fellowship!

News and Notices

Macmillan Coffee Afternoon: Thank you to everyone for their support and contributions towards our recent Macmillan coffee afternoon at Open House. Between Tearaway Tots, Open House and Sunday service we raised the grand sum of £168.20. Thanks again, Nancy Pollard.

An Exciting Opportunity – DG Newsletter Editor: We're looking for someone to take on the role of DG Newsletter Editor. This is a great opportunity to share worthwhile things happening across our faith community and beyond. The role involves reaching out to a range of people and gathering interesting and varied news items to showcase our work, values and impact. The newsletter is published four times a year, with all content collation and design handled by Angela. If you're interested in taking on the role or would like further details, please speak to Deeptima or Steve.

'The Unkempt Skiffle Band' Concert and Buffet Tea: Saturday 17th October, 3 pm at Woodingdean MC. Suggested donation £6. Tickets from Terry on 01273 887618 or Richard on 01273 304812.

Come As You Are: Sunday 18th October - Cancelled with apologies.

Wednesday 28th October: 60th Anniversary Celebration Tea Party at The Meeting House, University of Sussex, 2 to 4 pm. We are offering students (and others) an afternoon tea to celebrate the 60th

Anniversary of the opening, and I'm looking for help please. Donations of cakes and scones (some gluten free if possible) and help on the day 1.15 to 4.30 pm approx. Parking is challenging, but there is a good bus service. Contact me on 07943 401608 or studentcircuit@gmail.com for more information or to offer help. Many thanks, Sue Harrington.

Circuit All Saints Day Service: Sunday 1st November, 3 pm at Stanford Avenue Methodist Church - At this service we remember with thanks the lives of those we loved who have died in the previous year. We read out the names and remember with the lighting of candles those whose funerals have been held in our churches or whose services have been conducted by ministers and lay people within our Circuit. All are invited and welcome, please contact Steve Preston at steve.preston@brightonhovemethodistcircuit.org.uk if there is anyone who you wish to remember in this way.

Open Table Launch: Sunday 8th November, 4 pm at St. Luke's Prestonville. St. Luke's will be hosting a Christian worship community that genuinely welcomes and affirms people who are Lesbian, Gay, Bi, Trans, Queer/Questioning, Intersex, Asexual (LGBTQIA) & allies, as part of the Open Table Network. An intentional and ecumenical space for any LGBTQI+ church or non-church folk to join together to worship, pray, share, socialise and network. **Monthly on the second Sunday of each month** at 64 Old Shoreham Road, Brighton, BN1 5DD, 01273 557772, www.stlukesonline.co.uk, info@stlukesonline.co.uk.

Christmas Market: Saturday 14th November, 11 am to 3.30 pm at Patcham MC. Loads of stalls, visit Father Christmas, children's activities, fabulous refreshments. Entry 50 p (under 16s free)

Soup & Ceramics - A Fund Raiser for Tearaway Tots: Saturday 21st November, 7 to 9.30 pm. Come and decorate your own Christmas baubles with acrylic pens and enjoy homemade soups and fresh bread. Tickets £20 per person. **Raffle Prizes:** Could you, or someone you know, donate or make a raffle prize for this fund raiser? Please speak to Sam Dyke or contact her on samantha.dyke@dgmc.org.uk

Circuit Together Service: Sunday 22nd November, 10.30 am at Hove Methodist Church.

Annual Brighton & Hove Interfaith Celebration: Sunday 22nd November, 3 pm at Hove Methodist Church.

Barnstormers Production of Disney's Frozen: 27th-28th November and 4th-5th December, 7.30 pm (2 pm Saturday Matinee). At Patcham Methodist Church. Tickets: £13-£16 + booking fee (concessions available) from barnstormers.org.uk/tickets - *Tickets selling fast!*

Christmas Day at Hove: For over 50 years Hove MC has served Christmas Lunch to over 100 guests who would otherwise be on their own. This is always a happy day for all involved, including the volunteers. They already have a chef and kitchen staff but need a Front of House lead to liaise with volunteer drivers, manage volunteers and keep the day running smoothly, from around 10 am. They also need volunteer drivers, to pick up guests from 11.30 am and take home from 3 pm, and waiters/servers including clearing up. If you would like to help in any of these roles, please contact Rachel Richards or JJ at office@hovemethodistchurch.co.uk or 01273 324600.



SERVICE OF HEALING AND COMMUNION

At Dorset Gardens Methodist Church

**Fourth Sunday of every month
at 6.30 pm**



Donations: If you would like to make a financial contribution to Dorset Gardens Methodist Church you can donate with this **QR Code** or via the JustGiving website: www.justgiving.com/dgmc



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