

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 13th September 2026

10.30 am

Morning Worship

Led by Paul Steadman

Keyboard Player Will Mason

Call to Worship (responsive based on Psalm 103)

Leader: The Lord is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger and rich in steadfast love.

All: We come to worship the God whose mercy never fails.

Leader: God does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our faults.

All: In God's presence we find forgiveness, renewal, and peace.

Leader: For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is God's love for all who fear him.

All: As far as the east is from the west, so far has God removed our transgressions from us.

Leader: Let us worship the God of grace, who gathers us in love and restores our souls.

All: Bless the Lord, O my soul; and all that is within me, bless God's holy name. Amen

Hymn StF 25 God is here! As we his people

Opening Prayers

Intergenerational

Hymn StF 423 Forgive our sins as we forgive

Readings Genesis 50: 15-21 Read by Jennifer Blamey
Romans 14: 1-12
Matthew 18: 21-35

Hymn StF 683 Great is our redeeming Lord

Message Forgiveness

Hymn StF 613 God, how can we forgive?

Prayers of Intercession and Lord's Prayer

Hymn StF 531 What a friend we have in Jesus

Blessing



Flowers

Thank you to Chris Wells for the lovely flowers in church today, remembering his partner Paul.

Next Sunday: 20th September 2026 ~ Peace Sunday

10.30 am, A Service for Peace Sunday

Led by Sam Dyke and Members of our Congregation

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

Food & Fellowship: Our next gathering will be on Sunday 4th October after morning worship. You are all invited!

Alpha Course: Continues on Wednesday 16th September, 6.30 pm to 8 pm. If you would like to attend, please contact Cynthia on 01273 640247 or cpark1947@gmail.com

Pilgrimage for Climate and Peace: Sunday 20th September, 1pm One Church, Florence Rd; 1.45pm St. Peter's Church; 2pm Buddhist Centre, Tichbourne St; 2.30pm Unitarian Church, New Rd; 3 pm Groyne by Palace Pier; 3.30 pm Friends Meeting House, Ship St. Organised by Brighton Christian Climate Action. All are welcome to come together to walk in witness to the suffering of our earth and her people.

Concert with Skiffle Band: Saturday 17th October at Woodingdean Methodist Church. More details to follow.

Come As You Are (CAYA): Sunday 18th October, 6.30 pm at Hove Methodist Church. We're looking forward to meeting again. There's no pressure to participate in any particular way. You can join in, reflect quietly, or simply sit and be present. Tea and biscuits afterwards, because some traditions are worth keeping! Led by Revd Andy Lowe.

Circuit All Saints Day Service: Sunday 1st November, 3 pm at Stanford Avenue Methodist Church - All welcome!

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. See Sam Dyke for more information. **Raffle Prizes:** Could you, or someone you know, donate or make a raffle prize for the Soup & Ceramics fund raiser? Please speak to Sam Dyke or contact her on samantha.dyke@dgmc.org.uk

Learning and Development: There are some **online** events being offered by the Methodist Church if anyone would like to sign up:-

- **What is a visit?** (for Pastoral Carers) on 15th September, 7 to 9 pm: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/what-is-a-visit-tickets-1989091586480?aff=oddtcreator>
- **Dementia Worship** on 12th October, 10 am to 12 noon: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/dementia-inclusive-worship-tickets-1988316143108>

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!*