

## **Hove Methodist Church**

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# Sunday 20 November

10.30 Sunday Worship with Rev Cynthia Park

Flowers today are given by the Pessu family

Stewards: Charlotte Gravestock

Musician: Janet Bowles Reader: Trevor Coldridge AV desk: Mark Gregory

Previous services are available on Youtube at: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCCm05631kHuZqUbYm2xVwUQ">https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCCm05631kHuZqUbYm2xVwUQ</a>

























## **Prayer**

O Love most powerful, strengthen me.
O Love most sweet, let me taste your goodness.
O Love most dear, let me live for you alone.
O Love most faithful, comfort and support me.
O Love most companionable, accompany all my deeds.
O Love most victorious, persevere with me to the end; for your own name's sake.

Amen

St Gertrude of Helfta (1256 - 1302)

HMC Mission: To share the love of God, as revealed by Christ, through the Holy Spirit

# Week ahead: 21 - 27 November

Mon 2.30 Monday Guild - with Wynn Funnell

Tues 12.00 Lunch Club in the hall

Weds 2.30 Drop-in session at Georgies in George StThurs 10.30 Midweek Communion with Rev Andy Lowe

12.30 Lunch Club in the hall

**Friday** 10.00 Chatty Café in the Sanctuary

**1.30pm Polka Tots** drop in parents and toddlers

Saturday 3. 30 Martlets Winter Celebration concert

**Sunday** 10.30 FirstSunday of Advent worship with Sue Jacobs



**This Sunday:** We welcome Rev Cynthia Park, previously a Minister here and at Dorset Gardens, now supposedly retired, but showing little sign of it.

#### **Martlets Christmas Concert - Sat 26 November**

The office has now sold out of concert tickets, but they are still available at <a href="https://www.martlets.org.uk/winter-celebration/">www.martlets.org.uk/winter-celebration/</a>

This is always a really fun event, buzzing with uplifting music and good vibrations. Not to mention the cakes and savouries which are always outstanding. There will also be a limited



number on the door, which will open at 3pm for a 3.30 start. The Martlets Good Vibrations Choir which rehearses here is looking for new voices, if anyone is interested in joining, please contact Ann Borg, the Choir administrator, at <a href="mailto:ann.borg@martlets.org.uk">ann.borg@martlets.org.uk</a>.

#### Gift service 4 Dec

Looking ahead, this year we will be collecting wrapped presents for local families in need this winter. Rachel has a number of children on her list whose families would really appreciate an 'extra' gift this year. Please label them with age (and gender if appropriate).

#### Office minus one next week

It won't be closed as Andy, Rachel, Steve and Sue will still be in and out, but Elin is taking a week off to celebrate her and Trev's joint birthday next Monday. Probably by hibernating a little.

## Warm Space Café

The space is nearly ready; the bistro tables and chairs are in place and the painting is three-quarters done. Bob has booked himself into a rare peaceful Saturday in December to complete the colour scheme - we're really looking forward to it. Some



signage may be going up as well. Looking at a launch date realistically, we intend to kick off in the New Year after Christmas. For one thing, the team has been temporarily depleted by health and family issues, and for another, we have been blessed with an amazingly warm Autumn, thank goodness.

We will be opening properly in January, with afternoon open sessions on Tuesdays and Thursdays initially.

### **Twilight Cooking Club**

In the meantime, Caroline is starting a pilot Twilight Cooking Club on Wednesdays from 4-7pm. She will be teaching small groups how to cook healthy low-costs meals every Wednesday up till 14 December. Everyone is welcome to stay and eat together after cooking. If you are interested in improving your practical cooking skills in a relaxed setting, please contact Caroline on 07813 667857 or at cookingcaroline@outlook.com.

## Mystery bride



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Who is this apparently demure bride with her dashing groom? A long-time church member, she volunteers at lunch club and any number of our pop-up events here at HMC. Answer next week if you can't guess.

### **Round Brighton & Hove Circuit:**



Our sister churches around Brighton & Hove are busy as usual at this time of year. Stanford Avenue is holding its annual Christmas Craft fair - great place to pick up homemade gifts. Patcham will also be holding a Christmas Market this Saturday (26 November) at 11.00 – 3.30.

Our December dates will be in Newsnotes shortly, or you can check then in the fabulous Winter issue of Focus magazine.

