



## Hove Methodist Church

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Minister: Rev Andy Lowe

## Sunday 26 March

**10.30 Sunday Worship service** led by Beulah Fletcher

Steward: Trevor & Heather Coldridge

Readers: Trevor & Heather Coldridge

Music: Janet Bowles

AV: Ian Draper

Flowers today are given by Donald Reid and the Loh family



**Remember clocks go forward today**

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



## Prayer

O eternal and glorious Trinity, deeper than the deepest sea, and the abyss of love for whom we thirst and long; let us for ever desire your light, for ever seek your face and for ever wrap ourselves in the robe of your majesty and Godhead;

World without end

Amen

*Catherine of Siena. (1347-1380)*

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

## Week ahead: 27 March - 2 April 2023

- Mon 27** 2.30 **Monday Guild** with Rev Kathleen Richardson  
**Tues 28** 12.00 **Lunch Club**  
**Weds 29** 2.30 **Drop-in session at Georgies in George St**  
**Thurs 30** 10.30 **Midweek Communion** with Rev Andy Lowe  
12.30 **Lunch club**  
**Friday 1** 10.00 **Chatty Café** drop in café  
3.30 **Messy Church** activity and supper session
- Sunday** 10.30 **Palm Sunday Service** with Rev Andy Lowe



### **Fifth Sunday in Lent**

This Sunday we will be hearing about life through the Spirit, with readings from Paul's letter to the Romans in which he says uncompromisingly that 'The mind governed by the flesh is death, but the mind governed by the Spirit is life and peace', and also the story of Lazarus, who Jesus called to life from death. The service will be led by Beulah Fletcher.

### **Holy Week**

Our Palm Sunday service, remembering Jesus's triumphal entry into Jerusalem, is the beginning of Holy Week, not just for us, but for Christians around the world.

On 6 April there will be a Maundy Thursday Tenebrae service here at 7.30pm. This service marks the Last supper and Jesus' suffering in the Garden of Gethsemane as we move toward the ordeal of the Crucifixion.

At the Good Friday service here at 10.30 on Friday 7 April we will reflect with Christians across the world on the trial and crucifixion of Jesus, and the apparent extinction of his message and spirit along with his life. This is the other side of the Christmas story.

After the service, the traditional church Ramble will set off - details from Rachel or Paul.

**Andy**

### **Earth Church 1 April**

Before we go into Holy Week, we have a day out to look forward to. Rev Cynthia Park has organised another day at Saddlescombe Farm for all of us who would like to welcome in the Spring by spending time in the peace and beautiful surroundings of the South Downs. Details from Rev Cynthia Park 01273 640247 or [cpark1947@gmail.com](mailto:cpark1947@gmail.com).



## First Aid Training 11 April

Caroline has organised First Aid Training for all her Food & Friendship volunteers from Lunch Club, and she has kindly extended an invitation to church volunteers also.

The facilitator is James Aldcroft from Square Lemon Training

**9am-1pm** Refresher course on basic life support + defibrillator, heart attacks, stroke, burns, bleeds, choking, fainting

**1pm-1:30** Lunch (we can do a few sandwiches/sausage rolls etc)

**1:30-2:30** Strategies when people present with poor mental health.

The course will be extremely useful to anyone who volunteers at our services and groups here at the church. Contact Elin or Caroline directly if you would like to attend.

**HMC Office**

## Sunday Readings

Since lockdown we have run a little low on people willing to get up and read for us at Sunday worship. It's good to hear a variety of voices, so if anyone is interested in reading for us, even once a quarter, do please speak to one of the stewards, or Andy. Or just email me at the office. Readers get an email once a quarter with a link to the quarterly Worship rota and put their names down for dates when they are available. It's as simple as that, or just let me have the dates and I'll put them in for you. At the moment we could do with readers for 7 and 14 May.

**Elin Star**

**Little Amal** Join us opposite the West Pier at 6pm on Thursday to walk with this symbol of young unaccompanied refugees. **Andy**



**Join us to welcome  
LITTLE AMAL  
to Brighton**

**Little Amal** is a 3.5m puppet of a 10 year old Syrian refugee girl. She has travelled over 9,000km to 13 countries leading festivals of hope and art in support of refugees and displaced people everywhere.

Everyone is invited to walk alongside Amal on **Brighton Beach** on **Thursday 30 March**.

Join us at **6:00pm** at the **Golden Spiral on the Lower Promenade**, opposite the old West Pier. We will also be hosting art workshops for anyone wishing to create art to welcome Amal to Brighton, with details to be announced.

Since starting her journey at the Syrian border, Amal has become a global symbol of human rights especially those of young refugees many of whom are separated from their families. Her urgent message to the world is "Don't forget about us."

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**Voices in Exile**

**TOGETHER WITH REFUGEES**

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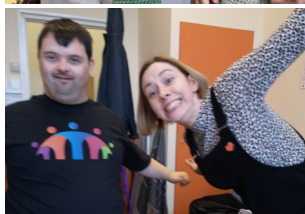
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We're up on the Methodist Church website again—this time as the first Circuit in the UK to achieve Sanctuary status. Full story at: <https://www.methodist.org.uk/about-us/news/latest-news/>



And here's a lovely Mother's Day photo from the service: Ruth Samur, who has worked so hard for the Circuit Refugee project, with her mother Sheila Hinton, who together with Bob has been part of the bedrock of this church for decades.

### Teachers strike Thursday



Last Thursday Sue, Woody and Dotty visited HMC to help out—at least, that's what they said as they photo-bombed Harry in his new T-shirt, beat up Sam in the gym and ate illicit sweets in the office.

