



Hove Methodist Church

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Minister: Rev Andy Lowe

Sunday 16 April

10.30 Sunday Worship with Mrs Cynthia Tudor

Steward: Donald Reid

Readers: Trevor and Heather Coldridge

Music: Janet Bowles

We'll be using hymnbooks this Sunday

Flowers today are given by Sue Noak

10.30 Sunday Service Online from Patcham church

Previous services are available on Youtube at:[https://
www.youtube.com/channel/UCCm05631kHuZqUbYm2xVwUQ](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCCm05631kHuZqUbYm2xVwUQ)



Prayer

We remember before the Lord all the homeless and refugee people
in every country and our own.

We pray that when the wilderness years are over, their journey will
become one of settled peace, with our help.

The holy love of God is for us all.

Thanks be to God

Amen.

Margaret Fancy, North Lancashire Circuit (2016)

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

Week 17 - 23 April 2023

Mon 17 2.30 **Monday Guild** with David Sharman in the church
2.00 **Flower Club** in the hall

Tues 11 12.00 **Lunch club** in the hall

Weds 19 2.30 **Drop-in session** at Georgies in George St

Thurs 12 10.30 **Midweek Communion** with Rev Andy Lowe
12.30 **Lunch club** in the hall

Friday 13 10.00 **Chatty Café** in all its glory

Sunday 16 10.30 **Sunday Worship** with Rev Andy Lowe

Easter Offering Service

This Sunday at 3pm Rev Deborah Cornish will be leading a Circuit Offering service at Patcham church. The service will include the dedication of the Easter Offering, all of which goes to the World Mission Fund of the Methodist Church in Britain, supporting and working with over 100 Partner Churches and organisations around the world.



Steve Preston

Memorial service for LGBTQ+ Christians

Onebodyonefaith, a grassroots support group for LGBTQ+ Christians is hosting a Memorial Service at 2.30pm on Sunday 23rd April, at Hinde Street Methodist Church, London, to raise awareness of faith leaders to LGBT+ loss of life to suicide and wider experience of harm, following exclusion and mistreatment in church environments. This follows many years of work seeking to build safer church environments and more respectful dialogue about LGBT+ people of faith, in partnership with faith leaders. Please let us know if you can come by registering on Eventbrite here: <https://tinyurl.com/obof-service>.

Deborah

Readers and Worship stewards

Since lockdown we have run a little low on people willing to prepare a welcome or read for us at Sunday worship. It's good to have a variety of people in these roles, so if anyone is interested in reading for us, even once a quarter, do please speak to one of the stewards, Andy, or myself. Thanks to those who have already volunteered.

Elin

Interfaith Group 16 April

'Community, Culture and Identity' is the theme of the Interfaith Contact Group's AGM and teaparty this Sunday 16 April from 2.30pm at the Friends' Meeting House in Ship Street Brighton. You don't have to be a member of the IFCG to attend, all are very welcome. In planning this year's AGM the IFCG wanted to give space for faith and spiritual communities to share 'why' and 'how' they support migrants and refugees. Ruth and Charlotte will be on the panel and will do their best to answer questions about the Methodist response to sanctuary seekers accurately and briefly. Come along and see! **Charlotte**



Little Amal comes to Brighton

Last week we took to the seafront to walk with Little Amal and stand in solidarity with those who seek sanctuary on our shore. Little Amal is a twelve-foot high puppet of a 10-year-old Syrian refugee child, and has walked over 9,000 miles in 13 countries. She is very life-like; as director Amir Nizar Zuabi says "she becomes very moving because you can see her thinking, you can see her breathing. You interpret the event through trying to decipher what she's going through, which becomes a huge act of empathy...we put ourselves in her shoes".

We found it was very true as she bent down to the children who had made orange boats, and stopped to read our banner and Circuit of Sanctuary posters.

Elin Star

Home front:

- Pam Honeywood is still in Craven Vale resource centre, having rehabilitation. Address for cards is Craven Road, Brighton, BN2 0FE



Messy Church and CHOMP both returned to the church before Easter. Apparently it was calmer than previous sessions, although you couldn't tell from the office where the voices and shrieks stopped just short of alarming. Sue is reading a book called 'Untamed Hospitality' for her Minister's course. She reckons we may have nailed it, every once in a while. Rachel, Andy,

Sue and helpers have done a fabulous job over the past week, and have now tottered home, hopefully to rest, relax and regain their equilibrium. Happy Easter!

Elin

