



Hove Methodist Church

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Minister: Rev Andy Lowe

Sunday 2 March 2025

10.30 Sunday Service with Paul Richards

Today's flowers are given by the Pessu family

Steward: Charlotte Gravestock

Readers: J.J. Baiden-Amisshah

Music: Janet Bowles

AV: Mark Gregory

Coffee: Kwan

HMC Photo Album (Updated weekly): <https://albumizr.com/a/VcW4>



Prayers

*Let nothing disturb you, let nothing frighten you, all things will pass away.
God never changes; patience obtains all things, whoever has God lacks
nothing. God alone suffices. Amen.*

St Teresa of Avila

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

Week: 3 Mar - 9 Mar 2025

- Mon 3** 2.00 **Monday Guild** with Ruth Samur
- Tues 4** 10.00 **Lunch Club** in the hall
- Wed 5** 10.30 **History of Christianity** in the Narthex
2.00 **Drop-in session** at Mila's Café, 81 Portland Rd
- Thurs 6** 10.30 **Midweek Communion**
12.30 **Lunch Club** in the hall
- Fri 7** 10 - 11.30 **Chatty Café**
1.30 **Polka Tots** Parent and toddler drop-in
- Sun 9** 10.30 **Holy Communion Service** with Rev Andy Lowe



Sunday Worship

Our worship on Sunday 2 March will be led by Paul Richards. The Brighton Half Marathon will be taking place on this day so do make the necessary accommodations to arrive in time for a 10.30am start. We are grateful for the support of Charlotte, J.J., Janet and Mark, and look forward to the refreshments served by Kwan.

HMC Office

Rare Disease Month

Every February is "Rare Disease Awareness Month" and the 28th of February is "Rare Disease Day" when there is a global campaign for raising awareness to generate change for 300 million people worldwide living with a Rare Disease their families and carers.

What is a "Rare Disease"? It is one that fewer than 200,000 people live with. Worldwide there are more than 7,000 Rare Diseases. I encountered a "Rare Disease" when I was diagnosed with *Myasthenia Gravis* in September 2022. I had never heard of it which is not surprising as statistically it affects about 15 in every 100,000 people in the UK. (45 people in Brighton and Hove!)



So, this is to say please think prayerfully at this time of the many individuals, families, and carers worldwide.

Michael Hill

Care4Calais Donation Appeals

We are seeking donations of new/as new clothing items for our Circuit Refugee Project. See poster for the specific clothes and sizes needed (To donate money instead, see link on poster or Ruth can transfer). Please bring to church by Sunday March 9th and Ruth will drop off the goods to the charities. These current appeals end on March 9th. Thank you so much.

Ruth Samur

CARE 4 CALAIS	Sunday March 9th 2025
Clothes collection for people seeking asylum in Brighton and Hove	
Sun - Apr All Saints Church/ Fresh Hall, Easton Road, Hove, Brighton BN1 5JZ	
Clothing we need	Important
Women's Clothing: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Jumpers/eggings (all sizes)• T-shirts (M & L)• Jumpers (S & L, but NOT XL)• Coats (all sizes) - proper coats only, no soft, fluffy, or wool coats	We only give out clothing that is in perfect condition - no holes, stains, pilling or broken zips please. Make clothes only. Please DO NOT bring women's jeans and women's XL tops.
Men's Clothing: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Large coats	Support our work
Footwear & Accessories: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Women's shoes• Socks/boots	LINK TO DONATE: https://bit.ly/Care4CalaisDonate Today
Contact brighthouse@care4calais.org	

Our Journey Through A History of Christianity

After two years of weekly reading, we have nearly finished *A History of Christianity* by Diarmaid MacCulloch. It has been a wonderful journey—sometimes challenging, always rewarding. We have learned so much from this remarkable book, and MacCulloch's writing has been a joy to read. Mick Hickman's articles in *Focus* have been a great help too, following the themes, people, and movements of the last 2,000 years. They have made the history feel even more alive. Now, we are thinking about what to read next. Any suggestions?

Monday Guild's Blanket Project

Monday Guild and friends are now knitting squares to make blankets. Once the squares are ready, we'll need helping hands to sew them together. The finished blankets are destined for Calais, France. If you'd like to help, or just want to know more, have a word with Rose. Every little bit makes a difference!

Rose Bateman

Cheer Up Mollys - Saturday, 22 Feb

The Cheer Up Mollys did not disappoint. A fabulous afternoon's entertainment whilst raising £845.80 for Nam Yang Brighton. Thank you to the band, to all who came and supported and to our wonderful volunteers.

Rachel Richards



Home front Happy 90th Birthday Efro! Pt.2

We continued to celebrate Efro's 90th for a 2nd Sunday with familiar smiling faces, a lovely cake, and a birthday serenade.

Rachel Richards



We love a Chatty Surprise!

Chatty cafe was lit up today by a surprise visit from Sue, Dotty and Woody. It would not have been complete without a birthday or two to celebrate (Pete the poet and Sue). We missed some of our regulars today who were poorly. We wish them well and hope to see them soon.

Rachel Richards



Random acts of kindness day - Monday 17 February

This is Teddi aged 8, who comes along to all our Chomp sessions with his family. At Christmas he wanted to do something special for the homeless people; so with the help of his mum cooked up this lovely lot of food and delivered 35 meals. He made friends with a couple and now takes regular treats to them.

What a beautiful act of kindness and a lovely story to share. It would be lovely to hear of more stories of acts of kindness. Please do email the office. Well done Teddi!

Rachel Richards

