



Hove Methodist Church

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Minister: Rev Andy Lowe

Sunday 17 August 2025

10.30 Holy Communion Service with Rev Andy Lowe

Today's flowers are given by the Pessu family

Steward: J.J. Baiden-Amissah

Reader: J.J. Baiden-Amissah

Music: Janet Bowles

AV: Lou & Jackie

Coffee: Lou & Jackie

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



Prayers

Longing for you, O Lord, we are crowned with love. Seeing you we are filled with joy. Resting in you we do not stumble. Persevering with you we enter your presence. Amen.

Persian Christian Martyrs (c.344)

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

Week: 18 - 24 August 2025

- Mon 18** 2.00 Drop-in session at Scotties Café
- Wed 20** 10.30 History of Christianity in the Narthex
2.00 Drop-in session at Mila's Café, 81 Portland Rd
- Thurs 21** 10.30 Midweek Communion
- Fri 22** 10 - 11.30 Chatty Café
No Polka Tots (Summer break)
- Sun 24** 10.30 Sunday Service with Stella Goddard



Sunday Worship

We are delighted to welcome back Rev. Andy Lowe for his first service following his sabbatical. This will also be a Holy Communion service. Our heartfelt thanks go to our wonderful team of volunteers—J.J., Janet Bowles, Louise, and Jackie—and especially to Sue and Sandy for their help with communion.

HMC Office

Circuit Events & Notices

Sunday 24th August

Patcham Duck Fayre on Patcham school playing field.

Sunday 24th August

Service of Healing & Communion: 6.30 pm at Dorset Gardens. Led by Revd Cynthia Park and Shirley Veater.

Thursday 28th August

Local Preachers Meeting 7.30pm at Hove MC

Tuesday 16 September

Circuit Meeting 7.30pm at Stanford Avenue MC

Saturday, 20th September

District Representative Synod 10.30am Gravesend MC

Sunday 21st September

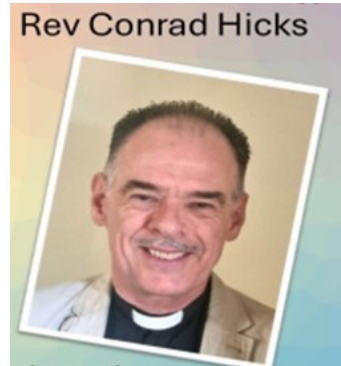
Climate Pilgrimage 12.30pm, starting at St John's, Preston Park. A short, guided city walk to reflect, pray, and call for urgent climate action

Steve Preston

South East District Welcome Service

The South East District of The Methodist Church is pleased to announce a Welcome Service for the new Chair of District, Rev Conrad Hicks. The special service is scheduled to take place on Saturday, 6th September, at 3 pm. All are invited to join the event in person at Redhill Methodist Church, RH1 1BP, with refreshments to be served following the service. For those who cannot attend physically, the service will also be streamed online. Further details and instructions for accessing the live stream will be available on the district's website, www.methodistsoutheast.org, in early September.

Steve Preston



Sea Blessing – August 17th, 3pm, Brighton Seafront

Join us for a short, reflective service honouring the sea — a tradition rooted in Jesus' connection to water, boats and fishermen. Brighton's identity is tied to the sea, and this blessing is a way to give thanks and acknowledge our responsibility to care for it. We'll offer prayers, reflect on the harm done to our oceans, and return a driftwood cross to the water as a symbol of hope and renewal. You're welcome to bring something that expresses gratitude for the sea, like sports or beach items.

Rev Elizabeth Forbes Stone



Simon's Coming Home Hat

Simon's got a brand-new hat, He's rather pleased, imagine that! He's so excited about coming home, He's made assurances he'll no longer moan. (Is that a fact?) He's so excited for the day, He sent this picture right away Look at that beaming smile!!!

J.J. Baiden-Amissah



Home front All things bright and beautiful...

Another beautiful arrangement from our flower ladies this week. Thank you to Jenny, Lucy & Pat for arranging the flowers each week and also to those who donate and those who take out the flowers to our community. This is a huge part of our pastoral work in the life of HMC for which we are so thankful. Our lovely little outside garden is also looking rather beautiful thank you to those who lovingly take care of it!



Rachel Richards Monday Guild – Drop-in Sessions

Flower shows have blossomed, and various national and international sporting events have taken place — including tennis at Wimbledon, Test match cricket at various locations, athletics, women’s football, and the Tour de France cycle race (in France — surprise, surprise). The world has marked the end of WW2 some 80 years ago this month, though lesser conflicts still take place. The Bluebell Railway has marked 65 years of preservation, while the country’s railways are still celebrating 200 years of operation. The street party has taken place (which street? some have asked), BBQs have been enjoyed, summer holidays taken in one form or another — and yes, the Monday Guild’s hardy souls have continued to meet informally on Mondays and Wednesdays away from the church, where we have enjoyed plenty of chat on various subjects alongside some excellent hospitality. We still have a few weeks left before returning on Monday, 8th September, for our more formal meetings in the Upper Hall — bank holidays excepted — so make the most of the sunshine while you can. You will always be warmly welcomed from 2:00 pm onwards at either Scottie’s or Mila’s in the meantime.

Rose Bateman



MONDAYS AT 2PM
SEPT-MAY
(NOT BANK HOLIDAYS)

**FELLOWSHIP, A VARIETY OF
TALKS ON TOPICAL SUBJECTS
AND THE CHANCE TO CHAT
(WITH REFRESHMENTS)**

