



Hove Methodist Church

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Minister: Rev Andy Lowe

Sunday 28 September 2025

10.30 Sunday Service with Jonathan Gravestock

Today's flowers are given by Sue Noak

Steward: Charlotte Gravestock

Reader: Louise McIntosh

Music: Janet Bowles

AV: Ian Draper

Coffee: Dan Watts

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



Heavenly Father, our wonderful Creator, Thank you for drawing us to yourself, Making us, shaping us, moulding us into your perfect plan. Help us to fix our eyes on you, made in your image, And to not forget that we're your handiwork, Dearly loved and cherished by you. Lord, help us to not get distracted by worldly pursuits or expectations. But to rejoice and rest in your presence, assured of your guidance. Being ourselves is enough, for that is who you made us to be. Amen

A prayer from Becky Clegg

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

Week: 29 September - 5 October 2025

- Mon 29** 2.00 **Monday Guild** with Bill Pickup
- Tues 30** 12.00 **Lunch Club** in the hall
- Wed 1** 10.30 **History of Christianity** in the Narthex
2.00 **Drop-in session** at Mila's Café, 81 Portland Rd
- Thurs 2** 10.30 **Midweek Communion**
12.30 **Lunch Club** in the hall
- Fri 3** 10 - 11.30 **Chatty Café**
1.30 **Polka Tots** Parent and toddler drop-in
- Sun 5** 10.30 **Sunday Service** with Bob Winton



Sunday Worship

We welcome Jonathan Gravestock to lead us in worship on Sunday 28 September from 10.30am. We are grateful for the sacrifice and service of our worship team on the day - Charlotte, Lou, Janet Bowles, Ian & Dan.

HMC Office

Circuit Events & Notices

Saturday 27 September

Jumble Sale at Patcham MC 12.00-2.30 to raise funds for the next Barnstormers production. Hot lunches will be available.

Sunday 28 September

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

Saturday 4th October

Flower Pot Festival at Stanford Avenue MC 11.00am - 2.00pm



Saturday 11th October

Circuit Study Day Speaking of Justice in Worship and Preaching – With Rachel Lampard and Rt Revd Nick Holtam. Saturday 11 October 2025, 10am–2pm at Dorset Gardens. All Welcome.

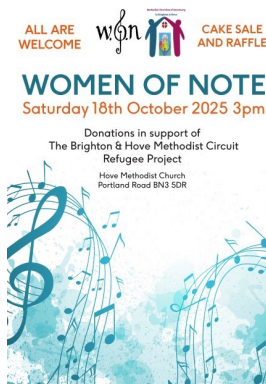
Steve Preston

Women of Note Concert – Saturday 18th October 2025

We are delighted to invite you to an afternoon of uplifting music with Women of Note, taking place on Saturday 18th October 2025 at 3pm at HMC. This special concert will feature beautiful performances in support of the Brighton & Hove Methodist Circuit Refugee Project. Alongside the music, there will be a cake sale and raffle.

All are welcome—so please bring family and friends to enjoy the event and help us raise much-needed funds for this vital project.

Ruth Samur



Harvest Festival Sunday Service – October 12th

This year's Harvest Festival Service will be held on Sunday 12th October, and we warmly invite everyone to join us as we give thanks for God's provision and the ability to share with those in need. As part of our celebration, we will be collecting non-perishable goods in support of the Voices in Exile Brighton Foodbank. Items they currently need include: Rice (regular or microwaveable), chopped tomatoes, beans (white/red/black), baked beans, red lentils, chickpeas (dry or tin), cooking oil, tinned fish (in oil/water), oats, tea, instant coffee, shower gel and shampoo, laundry detergent and nappies sizes 5/6/7. Ruth will kindly deliver all donations to VIE on Monday after the service. Your gifts and the requested items can be dropped off at Chatty Café on Friday 10th October or Sunday 12th October.

Let's come together as a church family to celebrate harvest and support those in our wider community.

Ruth Samur

A Tale of Two Chaplains - 7pm Wed 8 Oct HMC

The IFCG has invited 2 chaplains; our own Heather Leake-Date, Sussex AIDS chaplain, together with a Pagan chaplain at Lewes prison, to tell us about their work in our local community, and especially how the faith communities can help and support them.. All are welcome to come along and enjoy enlightening conversation and a friendly 'cuppa'.

Charlotte Gravestock

Macmillan Coffee Morning - Friday 26 September

Join us for a lovely morning of coffee and cake at Hove Methodist Church on Friday, September 26th, from 10:00 AM to 11:30 AM. Every donation goes directly to supporting people affected by cancer.

Rachel Richards

It's time for a Macmillan Coffee Morning

and you're invited

Let's do whatever it takes to support people living with cancer.

Place: HOVE METHODIST CHURCH
Date: FRIDAY 26TH SEPTEMBER
Time: DROP IN BETWEEN 10 - 11.30AM
Contact: RACHEL RICHARDS
01273 526600



MACMILLAN
CANCER SUPPORT



Home front Chair Massage Clinic

Paola from City Yogi UK will be returning this Friday to offer her free weekly acupressure chair massage sessions. These energising, oil-free sessions are a wonderful way to release tension in the back, neck, arms, and head, and are completely free for HMC referrals — including Chatty Café guests, Chomp families, staff, and volunteers. We're so pleased to host this wellbeing opportunity and invite you to come along, relax, and enjoy the benefits of Paola's expertise.

Rachel Richards

Early Bird Tickets Now Available!

Be among the first to secure your place at *Voices of Power – Black History Month Concert 2025*. Early Bird tickets are just £10 and include a full afternoon of live music, poetry, drama, and storytelling.

The programme will be headlined by the incredible Harps Chorale UK, with performances from Isaac Jengwa, Roy McFarlane, Jazz Like That, and more. After the concert, you can enjoy a vibrant atmosphere with a live DJ playing music of Black origin as well as a delicious meal of authentic Ghanaian cuisine and browse community stalls from BARCO, Culture Connect, and Afrori Books.

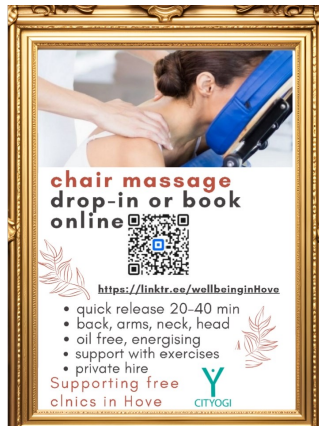
The event takes place on Saturday 25th October, 2–6 pm in the Sanctuary, followed by food and entertainment in the Upper Hall.

Early Bird tickets are limited, so don't delay in reserving yours.

Tickets can be purchased directly from the church office — simply contact JJ on 01273 324600 or Email

office@hovemethodistchurch.co.uk. This is set to be an

unforgettable afternoon of celebration, culture, and community. Book now while the Early Bird offer lasts! **HMC Office**



Not just A House Group - Tuesday 7 October, 7.30pm
NJAHG - Tuesday 7 October, 7.30pm Please join us at Paul & Rachel's - 47 Portland Avenue with an open mind for a 'Black History Month' themed discussion.

Paul Richards