



Hove Methodist Church

Sunday 10 May 2026

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Minister: Rev Andy Lowe

10.30 Local Arrangement Service with Charlotte & the team

Today's flowers are given by Peter & Moya Farley

Steward: Lou McIntosh

Reader: Heather & Trevor Coldridge

Music: Musical Arrangement

AV: Jonathan Gravestock

Coffee: Lai Pang

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



Thought

'Grace means there is nothing I can do to make God love me more, and nothing I can do to make God love me less.'

'What's so amazing about grace?'p71—Philip Yancey (1997)

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

Week: 11 — 17 May 2026

- Mon 11** 2.00 **Monday Guild** with Revd Andy Lowe
Tues 12 12.00 **Lunch Club** in the hall
Wed 13 2.00 **Drop-in session** at Sofi's Coffee House
Thurs 14 10.30 **Midweek Communion**
12.30 **Lunch Club** in the hall
Fri 15 10 - 11.30 **Chatty Café**
1.30 **Polka Tots** Parent and toddler drop-in
Sun 17 10.30 **Sunday Service** with Revd John Jennings



Sunday Worship

Our Local Arrangement service returns with Charlotte and the team presenting the theme, 'What's so amazing about grace?'. We are also grateful to the worship team of Lou, Heather, Trevor, Jonathan and Lai. Hope to see you at church this Sunday. Later that evening at 6.30pm, Revd Andy Lowe will lead Thinking Aloud online; a space to continue reflecting and sharing together.

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Circuit Events & Notices

Saturday 16th May Circuit Inspiration Day 8.30am - 1.00pm, at The Clubhouse (Waterhall), Saddlescombe Rd, Brighton BN1 8AX. (Tea and coffee will be available from 8.30am for a 9.00am start). You may be aware that as a Circuit we are having a Circuit Inspiration morning based around hearing other people's stories and telling our story. We see this as a useful topic for people who may find themselves in situations, through work or volunteering, where sharing stories may be useful.

If you are free and interested to join please email steve.preston@brightonhovemethodistcircuit.org.uk to book your place. To manage numbers, we need a reply by 1st May 2026.

**JAZZ AT
WOODINGDEAN
METHODIST
CHURCH**

Saturday June 6th
MUSIC STARTS 3pm

**Imogen Ryall Voice
Roderick Hart Piano**

Suggested Donation £6
Tickets available from 01273 887618
or 01273 304812
All Proceeds Go To The Church
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Saturday 6th June

Jazz at Woodingdean Methodist Church at 3pm with Imogen Ryall singing and Roderick Hart on the piano. Suggested donation £6. Tickets at 01273 887618 or 01273 304812. Proceeds to the church.

Steve Preston

Come As You Are—Sunday 17 May

We're starting a new kind of evening service—Come As You Are at Hove, 6.30pm Sunday 17th May. Simple. Relaxed. No pressure. There'll be a short Bible reading, some music, space for quiet, and a chance to reflect, chat, or ask questions if you want to. You can join in or just sit and be; whatever feels right for you. This is a space for everyone - whether you've been part of church for years or are just curious. No expectations, no "right way" to do it. We're keeping things open as it begins, and we'll see where it grows. Come as you are. (And stay for tea and biscuits afterwards).

Led by Rev Andy and Paul Richards.

Focus Summer 2026

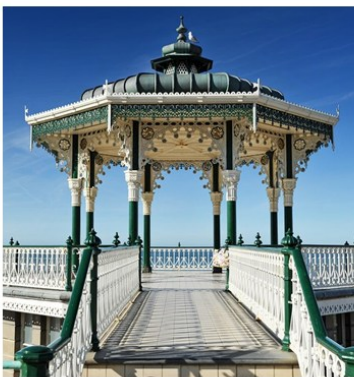
The Summer 2026 edition of Focus magazine is now available, offering a wide range of inspiring and engaging content. This issue includes reflections on hospitality and welcome, thought-provoking articles on theology and social justice. Our very own Paul and Rachel Richards' personal stories of journey of faith and community life are also featured. You'll also find

updates on the Circuit Refugee Project, highlights from recent events, and features exploring worship and biblical themes including an invitation to journey through Philippians during Bible Month. The Focus magazine as always, will be circulated via email, with hard copies available on request from the Church Office. The Circuit Plan for June–August 2026 is also now ready, and we will shortly begin organising the worship rota. We'd love to hear from anyone willing to support our Sunday services—whether through AV operation, stewarding, Bible reading, or helping with the teas and coffees. Our sincere thanks to Steve Preston for bringing this edition together.

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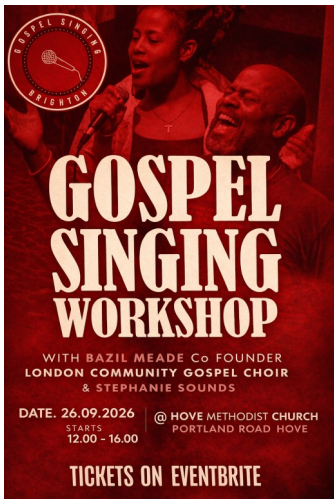
Home Front George Payne Street Party

Last Saturday, the street party at the George Payne pub brought the community together and featured a fantastic cake stall raising funds for the Food & Friendship Lunch Club. A huge thank you to Zoe and Justine from the George Payne for choosing to support us in this way. It was so thoughtful of you to think of the lunch club. A big shoutout to our wonderful volunteers, who turned up in force to help run the stall and make it such a success. We're so grateful to everyone involved!



Gospel Singing Workshop—Saturday 26 September

Hove Methodist Church is delighted to be hosting a Gospel Singing Workshop on Saturday 26th September, led by renowned gospel pioneer Basil Meade alongside Stephanie Sounds. Basil Meade is the founder of the internationally acclaimed London Community Gospel Choir, known for its powerful, uplifting sound and collaborations with major artists across the music industry. His workshops are widely celebrated for their energy, accessibility, and ability to bring people together through music. The event will take place from 12—4pm, and offers a wonderful opportunity for singers of all abilities to explore gospel music, develop vocal techniques, and experience the joy of singing in a group setting. Tickets available via Eventbrite.



Joanna Marshall-Fraser

Say hello to Dona!

Hi everyone... I'm Dona! You may have spotted me standing proudly at the top of the stairs by the front entrance. I'm the new, very friendly donation point here at HMC—no cash? No problem! Just tap and go! I may look small, but I help support something big—the ongoing life and work of this amazing community. With so many groups and activities using the building, there's always a cost to keep things running smoothly... and that's where I quietly lend a hand. So next time you pass by, feel free to give me a little tap—I promise I won't bite! A huge thank you to everyone who already contributes so generously.

Dona

