



Hove Methodist Church

**Sunday 24 May 2026**

## **Hove Methodist Church**

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Minister: Rev Andy Lowe

**10.30 Sunday Service** with Revd Andy Lowe

Today's flowers are given by the Pessu family

Steward: Louise Mcintosh

Reader: Lou Mcintosh

Music: Revd Andy Lowe

AV: Stella Goddard

Coffee Dan Watts

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



## **Prayers**

*Come, Holy Spirit, Creator blest, and in our souls take up Thy rest; come with Thy grace and heavenly aid to fill the hearts which Thou hast made.  
Amen.*

**(Veni, Creator Spiritus - based upon ancient Latin hymn )**

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

## Week: 25 — 31 May 2026

**Mon 25** 2.00 Guild at **Scottie's (GAS)** 194—196 Portland Rd

**Tues 26** **No Lunch Club**

**10.00 CHOMP Holiday Sessions**

**Wed 27** 2.00 Drop-in session at Sofi's Coffee House

**Thurs 28** 10.30 Midweek Communion

**No Lunch Club**

**Fri 29** 10 - 11.30 Chatty Café

**No Polka Tots** Parent and toddler drop-in

**Sun 31** 10.30 Sunday Service with Terry Fish



### Sunday Worship

Rev Andy Lowe is going to be a 'busy boy' on Pentecost Sunday, 24 May! His day kicks off early at 8am leading our usual gathering on Ditchling Beacon, including Holy Communion. From there, he'll head down to Hove for Sunday worship, supported by Lou, Stella and Dan. After a well-earned coffee, biscuit (and perhaps a Lai surprise!), Andy will then be packed off to Stanford Avenue for the Circuit Together service, starting at 3pm. Whew, we rejoice for your ministry!

**HMC Office**

### GDPR Compliance

A gentle reminder regarding the annual GDPR compliance forms for Hove Methodist Church. Thank you to everyone who has already returned their form. For anyone still needing to complete theirs, Stella will be at Church on Sunday morning with forms available and happy to help if needed.

**Stella Goddard**

### Circuit Events & Notices

Sunday 24th May Prayer hour at Stanford Avenue. A reflective space to pray for ourselves and our world. Later that day (3pm), we will join with other members of the circuit for the aptly named Circuit Together Service.

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.

Saturday 27th June Quiz night at Stanford Avenue Methodist Church from 4pm. £10 per person. Ploughman style buffet included.

Saturday 4th July Action for Children Coffee Morning 10am to Midday at Stanford Avenue Methodist Church.

**Steve Preston**

**QUIZ!**

**27th June**

**4pm**

**Stanford Avenue Methodist Church**

**Ploughman's style buffet included**

**£10 per person**

To book your place call  
Liz W on 01273 430508

## Sacred Space, Sacred Earth

There is an interfaith art exhibition at the Church of the Annunciation, Washington Street in the Hanover area of Brighton (where there is also a beautiful Burne-Jones window) on the first 4 weekends in May.

Sacred Space, Sacred Earth in Hanover promises to be an exciting focus of discovery, art, spirituality, and music with talks, a cafe, plants sales and more. The artists are all members of local faith communities.

Featured artists include Jane Roderic-Evans (sculpture), Mike Bayley (ceramics), Ruth Urbanowicz (painting, with a talk on Sunday 10th, 1-2pm) and Dr Jess Wood (icons, with workshops and a pigments talk).

Music includes Ren Saunders performing an intimate evening of lo-fi piano and guitar music on Saturday 9th May at 7pm, and The 16th Rock Choir performing on Saturday 16th May at 7pm.



**Charlotte Gravestock**

## The Big Summer Sing- Sat 13 June



The Big Summer Sing, presented by Martlets Choir!

Come along on Saturday 13 June from 2:30 PM to 4:30 PM (doors open at 1:50 PM) at Hove Methodist Church for an afternoon of inspiring performances, community spirit, and joyful singing.

Enjoy refreshments and a raffle while helping raise funds for Martlets Hospice. There's a £10 suggested donation at the door, with all proceeds going to support the Martlets hospice. Bring your friends, family, and singing voices!

**Martlets Choir**

## Not Just A House Group

The next meeting will be on Tuesday 9th June, 7.30pm at the home of

Rachel & Paul Richards, 47 Portland Avenue, Hove.

All are welcome to come along. Please note these future dates for house group (all on a Tuesday) - July 7th, and August 4th.

**Rachel Richards**

## Home Front Guild At Scottie's (G.A.S)

Looking for good company, a cuppa, a chat, and perhaps a little bit of laughter this summer? Then why not come and join us at G.A.S (Guild at Scotties / Groovy Afternoons at Scotties), from Bank Holiday Monday, 25 May at 2pm. Whether you come for the company, the coffee, or simply to see what it's all about—As the poster says: all are welcome!

**David Sharman**



## Deepest Sympathy—Bob Hinton

It is with deep sadness that we announce that Bob Hinton died peacefully on Monday 18 May at the Royal Sussex Hospital. Bob was a much-loved local preacher in the Brighton and Hove Circuit (accredited 68 years ago) as well as a Circuit Steward. He will be deeply missed by all who knew him, and we give thanks for his life, his ministry, and his faithful service. His faith, wisdom, and quiet generosity of spirit touched countless lives, both within our church community and beyond. Funeral arrangements will be shared in due course. Please continue to hold Bob's family and friends in your prayers.

**Revd Andy Lowe**

## Come As You Are—Sun 17 May

On Sunday 17 May we held our first new-style evening service, Come As You Are. Around 20 of us gathered in a circle to sing, listen to a short reflection on the Bible, and share conversation around the question: "What one thing do I know?" We reflected on John 9:1-25, the story of the man born blind who suddenly finds himself at the centre of political and theological arguments. Through all the noise and debate, he simply says: "One thing I do know." For some of us, the question felt rhetorical. Others shared the one thing they know about God. Some people said nothing at all and that was completely fine. The whole point was that we came as we were, shared space together, and found it to be a real blessing.

The next Come As You Are service is on 21st June at 6.30pm.

**Paul Richards**

**Come As You Are!**

Space to pause. Space to listen. Space to be.

A gentle evening service with scripture, music, silence, and conversation.

**Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> June**

**6.30pm**

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**No pressure. No expectations.**

*Join in, or just sit and be.*