



Hove Methodist Church

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Minister: Rev Andy Lowe

Saturday 24 December

11.30pm Online Communion Service with Rev Andy Lowe

If you are not on the general online service email list but would like the link for this service please email Andy: Andrew.lowe@methodist.org.uk

Sunday 25 December

10.00 Christmas Day Celebration with Rev Andy Lowe

Flowers today are given by the Pessu family

Musician: Andy

Sunday 1 January

10.30 Morning Worship with Sue Jacobs

Steward Charlotte

AV Jonathan

Previous services are available on Youtube at: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCCm05631kHuZqUbYm2xVwUQ>



Prayer

Ever-living God
whose glory was revealed in the Word made flesh:
may we, who have seen such splendour
In the coming of the Christ,
be true witnesses to your self-giving love in the world;
through Jesus the Christ,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever.
Amen.

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

Week ahead: 26 December - 8 January 2023

The Office is closed and will re-open on Tuesday 3 January 2023.

Thurs 29/12	NO Midweek Communion
Friday 30/12	10.00 Help yourself Café in the Sanctuary
2023	
Sun 1/1	10.30 Morning worship with Sue Jacobs
Mon 2/1	2.30 Monday Guild - Kathleen Richardson
Weds 4/1	2.30 Drop-in session at Georgies in George St
Thurs 5/1	10.30 Midweek Communion with Rev Andy Lowe
Friday 6/1	10.00 Chatty Café in the Sanctuary
Sunday 8/1	10.30 Communion service Rev Andy Lowe



Church Flowers

Thank you to everyone who has given flowers during the past year. The beautiful flowers are very much appreciated in church on Sunday mornings. They are very cheering as they are delivered to members who are not well. If you would like to contribute this year, the calendar for 2023 is available on the notice board in the church. Thank you to my colleagues Lucy and Jenny who have arranged the beautiful flowers.

If you would like more information, please speak to Pat Hill or email pathill36@sky.com.

Pat Hill

Worship stewards

Yes, we need a few more people to come and help prepare for service on Sunday mornings. It's fairly simple, moving chairs about, putting hymn numbers up on the board and welcoming people to the service. We are also planning to train people up on the AV desk in the New Year, so if you're interested, have a word

Christmas dates

Sat 24 Dec	10 - 12	Peeling veg and setting up Hall
Sat 24th	11.30pm	Online Communion Service
Sunday 25 Dec	10am	Christmas Day Family service
Sunday 25 Dec	1pm	Christmas Day Lunch
Apres-Christmas		
Sat 28 Jan	3pm	'the cheer up mollys' (see back page)
Sunday 5 Feb	12.00	Candlemas Lunch after service

Christmas Day preparations - Help required

From 10 - 12 on Christmas Eve to prepare vegetables and set up the Upper Hall ready for our Christmas Day lunch. At the moment we have around 115 booked in for the meal. Please bring a vegetable peeler, a dollop of humour and a dash of patience...

Events

Polka Tots Party

It was great to see so many families coming to our Christmas Party enjoying playing, food and a visit from Santa all made possible by Rachel and her band of helpers.



Carols around the Tree

Thanks to all who joined us and made the whole thing a great event. A big thank you to Aneesa and members of the Martlet's Choir for singing with us as well as singing some of their own pieces. And a big thank you to all those who helped in any way.



Christmas CHOMP

On Tuesday we had our CHOMP session for families who are struggling. Thanks to all who helped and thanks to you for your amazing generosity at our gift service and the generosity of others who support our work, Rachel was been able to put together lovely gift packages for all the families who came and has delivered parcels to others who unfortunately could not make it. A massive thank you to Rachel for all she has done over this festive period.

Home front:

- Peter Bowles is staying in a nursing home after his stay in hospital and will be spending Christmas there. They need to make sure he can manage the stairs before coming home.
- Our thoughts are with Jackie and Louise following the death of their gorgeous little dog Impy
- Jean Hunter is on end of life care in hospital. We think of Bill, her nephew, and all her friends and family.
- There have been 2 birthdays this week, Barry on Tuesday and Alan Saunders was 90 on Thursday. Happy Birthday to them both.



A Winter Warmer afternoon

On Saturday 28 January 2023 'the cheer up mollys' will be bringing their unique style to entertain us.

Come and join us for warmth, fun, great music and refreshments and possibly a Mince Pie... Doors open at 2.30pm and the music begins at 3pm

Suggested donation of £5 per person in aid of Flourish Mentors, a charity run by Jacqui's daughter, Deborah, to help young women to grow and thrive.



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Winter Warmer

Saturday 28th January, 3pm

Join us for a cosy afternoon of tea, cake, and feel-good folk, acoustic, and Americana music with local band The Cheer Up Mollys. Everyone welcome.

Suggested donation £5 - raising funds for Flourish Mentors - mentoring every young woman to grow and thrive

The cheer up mollys

"An infectious blend of wonderful melody, harmony, musicianship, humour and above all, great entertainment."
@cheerupmollies

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And finally..

We wish you all a very happy and peaceful Christmas and all best wishes for the New Year.