



Hove Methodist Church

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Minister: Rev Andy Lowe

Sunday 26 February

10.30 Sunday Service with Sue Jacobs down in the hall

Stewards: Maggie Symes and Ruth Samur

Musician: Janet Bowles

Readers: Ruth Samur

Flowers today are given by the Pessu family

No online service this week.

Previous services are available on Youtube at: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCCm05631kHuZgUbYm2xVwUQ>



Prayer

O blessed Jesus, immortal and victorious, by the sorrow you suffered when all the powers of your heart failed you; have mercy on us and help us.

Come to us, in the hour of our darkness and in the day of our weakness, that laying hold of you in the glory of life, we may be enfolded with you in the light of eternity

For your own name's sake.

Amen.

Bridget of Sweden (1303 - 1373)

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

Week ahead: 27 Feb - 5 March

- Mon 27** **2.30 Monday Guild** in the Hall with Rev Kathleen
- Tues 28** **12.00 Lunch Club** in the hall
2 - 4.30 Warm Space café
- Weds 1** **2.30 Drop-in session at Georgies in George St**
- Thurs 2** **10.30 Midweek Communion** with Rev Andy Lowe
12.30 Lunch Club in the hall
2 - 4.30 Warm Space café
- Friday 3** **10.00 Chatty Café** in the Sanctuary
1.30 Polka Tots in the Hall
- Sunday 5** **10.30 Sunday Communion service** with Rev Andy

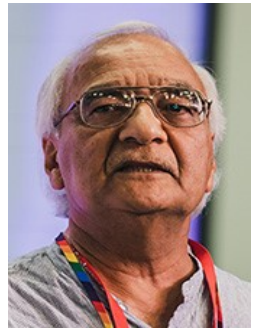
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Circuit Project News

A new set of Fundraising notecards, this time designed by female members of the Network of International Women, Brighton and Hove, are available after the service at Hove most Sundays. £5 for 6 or £1 each. Cash only please.

We have also had an urgent appeal from Care4Calais for toiletries for sanctuary seeking people currently residing in Brighton hotels. Please give Ruth any toiletry donations after the service this Sunday or next. Care4Calais also requested shoes, preferably trainers & backpacks, all in very good clean condition or new. However, due to limited storage space, please check with Ruth before donating backpacks or trainers. It's wonderful that many of you have signed up for lunch after the Circuit Service with Rev Inderjit Bhogal on March 12th. If anyone else can stay for lunch, please RSVP to Ruth or Deeptima / Sue Harrington. See invitation attached with these newsnotes. Thank you **Ruth Samur**



Church Council

There will be a meeting of our church council up in the Sanctuary on Monday 27 February. We'll be starting at 7.30pm, and the heating will be on for once, so we won't freeze.

Some hard copies of the agenda and meeting papers will be available at the meeting.

Everyone is welcome to attend, though you have to be a member of the council to vote on decisions. **HMC Office**

CHOMP holiday session

Last week joyous pandemonium reigned for a day while the half-term CHOMP clubbers enjoyed the lunch and activities session:



Cards, flowers, and kick-boxing oh my



Home front:

- **JJ** is recovering from his cataract operation. His left eye is gradually improving and colours are startlingly bright. However he is unable to wear his old glasses and is very conscious of the cloudy vision in his right eye.

Lent Group

Andy will be leading a Lent course at Thursday Communion (10.30 - 12.00) starting on 2 March. It will run for five weeks, and will be exploring themes around the Loving Father/Prodigal Son. Everyone is welcome to attend and participate; taking communion is optional. **Andy**

Community Breakfast 18 March

On Saturday 18 March, we'll be hosting another Community Breakfast from 9.30 to 11.00 in the hall. Drop in for breakfast bap or continental pastry and a catch-up. **Rachel Richards**

Warm space success

We managed to raise the full £2,500 which thanks to the Co-op matchfunding means we can put £5,100 towards our provision of warm spaces for the community. Thanks to Paul and Rachel for starting this initiative, and to everyone who contributed, particularly to Donald and Steve who got us over the finish line.

World Day of Prayer 2023

The service for this year's World Day of Prayer will take place on Friday 3 March at All Saints Church on The Drive, Hove. Starting at 10.30, the service will be on the theme: 'I have heard about your Faith' prepared by Christian women in Taiwan.



Behind the scenes at CHOMP

Woody, seeking refuge from the mayhem going on everywhere else, was put to work in the office where Steve initiated him into the Boys Secret Chocolate Club. Later on, Dotty and Sue joined us for the Wet Buns fiasco (don't ask). Everyone was a little bit hysterical by then. The volunteers went home exhausted. **Elin**

