



Hove Methodist Church

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Minister: Rev Andy Lowe

Sunday 5 March

10.30 Holy Communion service with Rev Andy Lowe

Flowers today are given by Sue Jacobs

Stewards: Maggie Symes

Musician: Janet Bowles

10.30 Online service with Rev Dan Woodhouse

Previous services are available on Youtube at:[https://
www.youtube.com/channel/UCCm05631kHuZqUbYm2xVwUQ](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCCm05631kHuZqUbYm2xVwUQ)



Prayer

Blessed be your cross, O Lord, the refuge of the lost, the hope of the believer and the resurrection of the dead.

Blessed be your cross, O Lord, the strength of the weak, the physician of the sick and the freedom of the slave.

Blessed be your cross, O Lord, now and forever.

Amen.

10th-century African prayer.

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

Week ahead: 6 - 12 March 2023

Mon	2.30 Monday Guild with Alan Saunders
Tues	12.00 Lunch Club
Weds	2.30 Drop-in session at Georgies in George St
Thurs	10.30 Midweek Communion with Rev Andy Lowe 12.30 Lunch club
Friday	10.00 Chatty Café
Sunday	10.30 Circuit Together Service at Dorset Gardens with Rev Inderjit Bhogal and the Circuit of Sanctuary award



This is our last Sunday down in the hall. We all miss worship in the church, but let's pat ourselves on the back for saving mucho denaro on heating costs this winter. After the Circuit Service at Dorset Gardens, we'll be back in the Sanctuary for 19 March.

Lent discussion group

The weekly Lent group on the theme of 'Unconditionally Loving Father, Prodigal Son' is continuing on Thursdays, at 10.30. It combines with Midweek Communion. Andy is also leading a Lent group at Stanford Avenue on Thursday afternoons.

HMC Facebook

For additional photos and the very latest on what has just happened here, or is about to happen, check out our Facebook page here: <https://www.facebook.com/HoveMethodistChurch>. Rachel does an amazing job of keeping it updated (and she takes the best photos).



Church Council

It was great to see more people turn up for Church Council. This church, like a ship, needs careful steering and many hands to keep it on course. It was good to see people come along who care about what we're doing here. We had a lively and fruitful discussion about the life of our church and our mission, this is what we need as we sail both chartered and uncharted waters in times ahead.

Andy

Circuit service and meeting

Next Sunday we are hoping as many people as possible will go to Dorset Gardens for the Circuit of Sanctuary service led by Rev Dr Inderjit Bhogal. And the next Circuit meeting is on Thursday 23 March at Stanford Avenue. Papers will be out soon.

Andy



Last Friday, Messy Church struck again, it was slightly less of a tornado this time. Last time we expected about 8 children with parents, and got 40. Also, this time there was no green paint. There was a tray of slime, but no slime-related incidents were reported, and we did not have to race down the road for more pizza.

Kudos to the Messy team: Sue and family, Lou, Guy, Ruth, and Gloria with Rachel and Andy who can't bear to miss out. Here are some photos (with permission):



Home front:

- Peter Bowles is home and getting used to navigating the new stairlift with Janet's assistance.
- Chris Enright is back on his feet after the kidney operation followed by a horrible cold. He's determined to get on top of all these health troubles.
- Rose is still having dressings on her leg, but is back to her mission of creating community and keeping people linked up. Not to mention serving tea and coffee. Her daughter, Roz was staying with her last week, and joined in the first Lent discussion group on Thursday morning.



Community Breakfast 18 March

Don't forget to put this in your diary— community breakfast here on Saturday 18 March. Serving hot drinks, hot pastries, bacon baps and soss from 9.30am. Bring papers, come in pjs if you like.



The replacement for the kitchen fridge freezer thankfully arrived in time for Thursday Lunch club .



Bob snapped on his travels—note matching 70s cardigan and carpet.