

Hove Methodist Church Portland Road Hove BN3 5DR Tel: 01273 324600 office@hovemethodistchurch.co.uk www.hovemethodist.co.uk Minister: Rev Andy Lowe

Sunday 19 November

10.30 Sunday Service with Sue Jacobs

Today's flowers are given by the Pessu family

Steward:	Heather & Trevor Coldridge
Readers:	Heather & Trevor Coldridge
Music:	Janet Morgan
AV:	Jonathan Gravestock
Coffee:	Ваггу

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

Dedication

A rainbow shimmered colours of every shade of hue. I couldn't help but stand there - I couldn't bear to miss The glory of this moment, as nature reached to kiss The kindness of a stranger or the love of a dear friend Sent in your time of need - a rainbow without end!

Marion Cleworth (Excerpt from The Friendship Book 2019)

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

Week: 20 Nov - 26 Nov 2023

- Mon 20 2.00 Monday Guild with Gloria Howes
- Tues 21 12.00 Lunch Club in the hall
- Weds 22 10.30 History of Christianity in the Narthex 2.30 Drop-in session at Georgies
- Thurs 2312.00 Celebration of Life Ken Hopkins
(There will be no Midweek Communion)12.30 Lunch Club in the hall

Fri 2410 - 11.30 Chatty Café1.30 Polka Tots parent and toddler drop-in3.30 Messy Church All age craft, worship and dinner

Sun26 10.30 Women against violence Sunday with Colin Smith

Sunday Worship

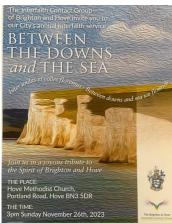
Our Sunday service on 19 November 2023 will be led by Sue Jacobs with a stellar supporting cast (see page 1). Thanks to Jonathan Gravestock for steering the ship last week with Maggie, Ruth, Janet and Ian.

Reflecting on the 'poppy-decorated' cakes by Lai, we appreciate and encourage any pictures sent in from our services or any local happenings you wish to share.

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Between the downs and the sea

The annual Brighton and Hove interfaith service, particularly important in view of current events, takes place this year at HMC on Sunday 26 November. Come join in a joyous tribute to the spirit of Brighton and Hove. The service starts officially at 3pm but Vocal Explosion choir will be singing from 2.40pm so do come then to hear them. There will be tea and refreshments served.

Charlotte Gravestock

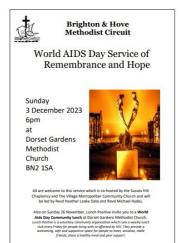
World AIDS Day Service of Remembrance and Hope

Sunday 3 December 6pm at Dorset Gardens Methodist Church.

All are welcome to this service cohosted by the Sussex HIV Chaplaincy and The Village Metropolitan Community Church. **Steve Preston**







Women of Note Christmas Concert

'Tis the Season to welcome the Women of Note to HMC on the 2nd of December for a charity concert like no other! Entry is free and refreshments of tea and home-made cakes will follow at the end of an hours performance. There will also be a retiring collection, request for donations to support the Trussell Trust.

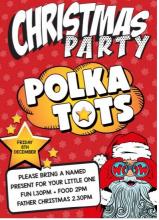
Polka Tots Christmas Party

This has got to be the most anticipated event on our Christmas calendar for babies, toddlers and/or parents! There is a promise of fun, food and Father Christmas (guess who?) on the day. Parents are encouraged to bring presents for their little ones. **Rachel Richards**

Advent Hymn Sing

Dorset Gardens Methodist Church will be hosting the Advent Hymn Sing on Tuesday 12 December from 1.30 pm to 3 pm (Doors 12.30pm). Bring a packed lunch. Tea, coffee, and cake provided.

Pianist Tony Leonard. If you would like to nominate a hymn please contact Deeptima Massey, <u>deeptima@rediffmail.com</u> by 30th November.



Home front Update from Uganda

I've not been to anywhere in Africa before, so this week has been quite an experience as I find myself immersed in a very different way of life. Firstly, though, the traffic! I thought Portland Road was full of unpredictable drivers, but nothing could have prepared me for my first



taste of life in Kampala. Motorbikes everywhere, three or four abreast in a constant stream, or maybe behind you on the pavement or coming from the wrong way. The first puzzle was "How do we cross the road?" Fortunately, a kindly local showed us, and we followed her lead - it seems you walk and hope for the best! Confidence is key.

It's also such a friendly place. The school is lovely, in a small village, and the children are delightful. Every day starts with devotions the children (aged between 3 and 14) lead. After the singing and a prayer, they have classes. After lunch, they finish with more worship songs and a prayer and then knock a few mangoes from the tree for a home-time snack. Besides crossing the road, my biggest challenge has been learning all the children's names. After a week, I'm starting to get there.

Sylvie Ransome

This past Wednesday 8 November, we lost our beloved Sylvie Ransome. Tributes and messages of support have been flooding in particularly evidenced by a dedication from her friend Rose (see page 1). Funeral will be held on 1 December from 11am at The Downs Crematorium followed by a Celebration of life from 2pm at HMC.

Ken Hopkins funeral

There will be a private service at the Crematorium followed by a Celebration of life at HMC on Thursday 23rd November at Midday. **HMC Office**

Paul Richards

