



Hove Methodist Church

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Minister: Rev Andy Lowe

Sunday 15 December

10.30 Sunday Service with Beulah Fletcher

Today's flowers are given by the Pessu Family

Steward: Lai Pang

Readers: Crystal Cheng

Music: Janet Morgan

AV: Jonathan Gravestock

Coffee: Crystal Cheng

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



Thoughts

Joy is a gift that we receive from God and that we can give to all of those around us through kindness, service and faith in action.

Rev Tiffany McDonald (Advent devotions - week 3)

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

Week: 16 Dec - 22 Dec 2024

- Mon 16** 2.00 **Monday Guild** Christmas Carols
Tues 17 12.00 **Lunch Club buffet** in the Sanctuary
Weds 18 10.30 **History of Christianity** in the Narthex
2.30 **Drop-in session** at Milo's
Thurs 19 10.30 **Midweek Communion**
12.30 **Lunch Club** Christmas party
Fri 20 10 - 11.30 **Chatty Café**
1.30 **Polka Tots** Parent and toddler drop-in
Sat 21 4.00 **Community Carol Singing** outside the church
Sun 22 4.00 **Candlelit Carol Service** with Rev Andy Lowe
NO MORNING SERVICE

Sunday Worship

This Sunday 15 December, we welcome Beulah Fletcher to lead us in Week 3 of Advent. We will be lighting 3 candles for hope, peace and joy. Our thanks to Lai, Crystal, Janet Morgan, Jonathan and all who help to make this service possible.

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Polka Tots Christmas Party - Friday 13 December (1.30pm)

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

Funeral arrangements - Jean Griffin

We are sorry to share the news of the death of Jean Griffin from Stanford Avenue. She was an active member of that church where she had been an officer in the 9th Brighton Girls Brigade and was also one of the Church organists. The funeral is on **Monday 16th December** at Woodvale Crematorium

(South Chapel) at 12.30 pm and afterwards a Celebration Service at Stanford Avenue Methodist Church at 2.00 pm followed by the wake.

Steve Preston

Christmas Concert by Women of Note Join us for a concert by Women of Note on Saturday, December 14th, at 3:00 PM at Woodingdean Methodist Church to support the Trussell Trust Food Bank Network. Refreshments will be served afterward.



Community Carol Singing, 21 December



'Come o ye faithful' and join us for our traditional carol singing outside the church! Definitely one to wrap up warm for with the promise of Hot Drinks, Hot Dogs & BBQ! So join us on Saturday 21 December, from 4pm - 5pm, with all proceeds in aid of Action for Children.

Rachel Richards

Messy Christingle-24 December, 2PM

Everyone is invited to join us from 2pm on Christmas Eve for this joyful and interactive celebration. Let's all come together to mark the Christmas story. We look forward to seeing you there as we light up the festive season with joy, love,

Rachel Richards

and hope.

Coffee Rota Jan - Apr 2025 (No barista skills required!)

Do you enjoy making cups of tea or coffee for other?

Do you enjoy having a good chat after service on Sunday?

Have you got a knack for presenting assorted cakes & biscuits?

Well, guess what? The new coffee rota is up with a couple of blank spaces for your name!

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Chrismassy Dates:

Friday 13th December: Polka Tots Christmas party for parents and toddlers (bring a present) 1.30pm

Saturday 21st December: Carols outside the church & refreshments 4-5pm

Sunday 22nd December: Candlelit carol service 4pm

Tuesday 24th December: Messy Christingle 2pm

Wednesday 25th December: Family worship 10am

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Home front Chatty Wrappers!

There was a wonderful community spirit last Friday at Chatty Cafe. Thank you to everyone who came and helped wrap the presents we give to our guests on Christmas Day. Especially those of you who joined us from the local community after seeing our article in the Hovarian.

Oh and of course we had another birthday to celebrate! Our lovely Lucy, have a fab day.

Rachel Richards



Boiler Issues

As you may already be aware, the boiler responsible for heating most areas of our building has broken down. However, the boiler for the sanctuary is still functioning.

We have made enquiries about repairs and have been informed that a purpose-built replacement will be required. Unfortunately, it is unlikely that this replacement will be available before the end of January 2025, due to the holiday break and the time needed to order parts.

We apologise that we are unable to give you an exact date but in the mean time we have secured and are ordering more alternative sources of heating in the form of space heaters. While we understand this will not provide immediate warmth, we encourage you to turn them on before you begin. Additionally, we are happy to move activities to the sanctuary (main church) if preferred, as it has heating available.

Thank you for your understanding.

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