



Hove Methodist Church

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Minister: Rev Andy Lowe

## Sunday 12 January 2025

### 10.30 Sunday Communion Service with Rev Andy Lowe

Today's flowers are given by the Pessu family

Steward: Maggie Symes

Readers: Sandy Pomfrey

Music: Janet Bowles

AV: Ian Draper

Coffee: Lai Pang

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



### Prayers

*Blessed are those, O Christ, in whose souls, you are constantly born,  
those in whose lives you are daily crucified and those in whose hearts  
you are risen for ever.*

**Jerome (c. 342-420)**

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

## **Week: 13 Dec - 19 Dec 2024**

- Mon 13** 2.00 **Monday Guild** with Bill Pickup  
**Tues 14** 12.00 **Lunch Club buffet** in the hall  
**Weds 15** 10.30 **History of Christianity** in the Narthex  
2.30 **Drop-in session** at Milo's  
**Thurs 16** 10.30 **Midweek Communion**  
12.30 **Lunch Club** in the hall  
**Fri 17** 10 - 11.30 **Chatty Café**  
1.30 **Polka Tots** Parent and toddler drop-in  
**Sun 19** 10.30 **Sunday Service** with Ken Smith



### **Sunday Worship**

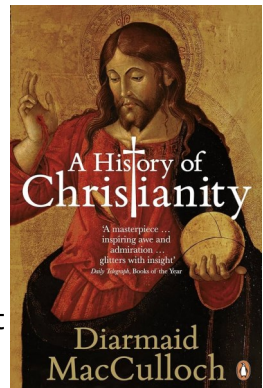
This Sunday 12 January is marked as the 1st Holy Communion service of the year. It is also a Covenant Service led by Rev Andy Lowe. Later that evening from 6.30pm, Rev Andy goes virtual to host Thinking Aloud via the usual zoom link. **HMC Office**

### **Emergency Church Council Meeting - Sunday 12 January**

An emergency meeting of the church council has been called by Rev Andy Lowe on Sunday 12 January, after the morning service. Most of you are aware of the problems with the boiler which developed just before Christmas. The Treasurer has been seeking advice regarding the replacement together with quotes for the work. Three companies have been approached for quotes resulting in the proposal to replace the existing 215kW boiler with two smaller boilers in a cascade system. The new boiler will be of the condensing type and will need the chimney flue lining. This is a specialist job. The quotes will be finalised and circulated later in the week together with the F&P recommendation. **Stella Goddard**

### **History of Christianity (Narthex) -**

**Wednesday's 10am** Join us as we delve deeper into Diarmaid MacCulloch's captivating "The History of Christianity." This exceptional work provides a fascinating, informative, and lucid account of the history of Christianity, offering deep insights into its development over the centuries. We invite you to join us in the Narthex on Wednesday's at 10am, as we continue to explore this remarkable and thought-provoking work together. **Rose Bateman**



## Circuit Events & Notices

Happy New Year! Please note the following circuit and community activity dates in the coming months -

Tuesday 21st January Online safeguarding training **Gaming & Gambling Harm Prevention** for community/faith groups from 7pm-9pm, being provided by Ygam – a national charity.

Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> January **Circuit Together Service 10.30am** at Stanford Avenue Methodist Church BN1 6FD.

Sunday 26th January **Service of Healing & Communion:** 6.30 pm at Dorset Gardens. Led by Revd Cynthia Park and Shirley Veater. A quiet, meditative service that will include communion and the opportunity for the laying on of hands.

Saturday 8th March **Table top sale** at Dorset Gardens from 10am to 1pm. There will be Tombola, Cakes, Bric-a-brac, Games, Indian ready meals, books and several other stalls. If people would like to book a table, then they are £5 (small) and £7 (large). Contact Deeptima Massey 07715976579 for a table. All are welcome. Funds being raised for Dorset Gardens.

Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> March **Brighton Male Voice Choir** 7.00pm at Woodingdean Methodist Church. £6.00 suggested donation, entry by ticket. Phone 01273 887618. **Steve Preston**

## Voyager Theme for Burning the Clocks

Well done to Mark Gregory and his friend who created this awesome robot/lantern to add to the spectacle of the Burning the Clocks festival in Brighton over Christmas. **Rachel Richards**



FREE CITY & GUILDS ASSURED WORKSHOP

**Gaming and gambling harm prevention for community and faith leaders**

**DID YOU KNOW?**

Cultural beliefs and values, influenced by family and cultural history, are key in shaping gambling behaviours and attitudes toward seeking help among young people in marginalised communities.

Ygam offers FREE City & Guilds assured workshops designed to equip community and faith leaders with essential insights and safeguarding skills.

**Ygam**

City & Guilds ASSURED

## Home front Christmas Day Lunch

The Christmas Day lunch was a wonderful day for volunteers and guests alike. A massive thanks goes to all those who turned up on Christmas Eve to prep the veg, set the tables etc and to those who worked so hard on Christmas Day, bringing our guests to and from the lunch, cooking, serving, washing up and all the other jobs that made the day complete.

It's always risky thanking people individually but massive thanks to John, Natasha, Terry, Maggie, JJ, Caroline, Keith, Michelle, Ron, Crystal and Rev Andy. We also have to acknowledge Phil and Community Transport for offering their vehicle including fuel to transport guests on the day.

Thanks to our sponsors the Osborne Charitable Trust and Shackleton Financial Advisors. Until Christmas 2025 then!!

**Rachel Richards**

