

# Dorset Gardens Methodist Church

Minister: Revd Andy Lowe



**Welcome to church today.** If you are visiting us we hope you will make yourself known before you leave. Please do join us for coffee after morning worship.

**Bibles & Large Print Hymn Books** are available at the back of the church and there is a **loop system** for the hard of hearing, please switch your hearing aid to 'T'. We always try to address individual needs to the best of our ability. Please let us know if there's something we can do to improve what we currently offer.

**Offering:** If you would like to make a financial contribution our offering plate is located at the back of the church. We now also have a Card Reader for donating with your Debit/Credit card. Or you can still donate via JustGiving: [www.justgiving.com/dgmc](http://www.justgiving.com/dgmc)

**Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> April 2024**

10.30 am

**Morning Worship**

**Led by Paul Steadman**

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**Call to Worship** Psalm 133 (StF 833) *responsively*

**Hymn StF 148** Come, let us with our Lord arise

### **Opening Prayers**

**Hymn StF 81** Now thank we all our God

**Reading** John 20: 19-31 Read by Beth Whittaker

**Hymn StF 296** Christ has risen while earth slumbers

### **Message**

**Hymn StF 519** Father, I place into your hands

### **Prayers of Intercession and Lord's Prayer**

**Hymn StF 404** God's spirit is in my heart

### **Blessing**

**Next Sunday: 14<sup>th</sup> April 2024**

**10.30 am, Morning Worship**

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### **Every Thursday**

1 pm, **Service of Prayer & Praise**, in the Prayer Chapel.

2 pm, **Open House @ Dorset Gardens** - Tea, coffee, refreshments and fellowship! Photo cards for sale in aid of Action for Children.

## News and Notices

**The funeral of Anne Bristow** will be held on **Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April**, 1 pm at the Downs Crematorium, in the main chapel. The family would be very grateful for the support of any of Anne's church family who are able to attend.

**Lent Course** at DG on **Monday evenings**, 7.30 to 9.30 pm. Led by Revd Andy Lowe. Final two meetings: **8<sup>th</sup> April**: Easter. **15<sup>th</sup> April**: What does the resurrection mean for us?

**Request for Accommodation from the Clare Project:** Looking for two lots of temporary accommodation for approx. two months. One for a couple, the other for a single person (one is a migrant). Accommodation needs to be in safe, TNBI (Transgender, Non-Binary + Intersex) inclusive housing. Starting as soon as possible. If you can help or know of anywhere suitable, please contact Sue [studentcircuit@gmail.com](mailto:studentcircuit@gmail.com) or Jennie 07762 286118 [treasurer@dgmcc.org.uk](mailto:treasurer@dgmcc.org.uk)

**Equality, Diversity & Inclusion Online Seminar:** Monday 8<sup>th</sup> April, 7.30 to 8.30 pm. A Gay Super's Story: Revd Barbara Evans-Routley will share her story. Link: [https://www.eventbrite.com/e/a-gay-supers-story-registration-776310996087?aff=odcleoeventsincollection&keep\\_tld=1](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/a-gay-supers-story-registration-776310996087?aff=odcleoeventsincollection&keep_tld=1)

**Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> April:** People interested in drawing closer to God through nature are gathering at **2.30 pm** at 28 Peacock Lane for a brief time of reflection, followed by 1½ hours of gardening with the Friends of Withdean Park. The afternoon will close back at no. 28 with tea and further reflection. Park Rangers will supply tools and gloves. Sturdy footwear and clothes that don't mind mud are essential. If the weather is really bad, the gathering may be postponed. For more info email [cpark1947@gmail.com](mailto:cpark1947@gmail.com) or phone 01273 640247.

**Quiz and Buffet:** Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> April, 4 pm at Stanford Avenue MC. Buffet Ploughman's style meal and quiz for the bargain price of £10 p.p. Contact Lis Coblentz 07730 773891 or [liscoblentz@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:liscoblentz@yahoo.co.uk)

**Care4Calais Clothes & Toiletries Collection:** Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> April, 1 pm to 4 pm, All Saints Parish Hall, Eaton Road, Hove, BN3 3QE. Only clothing in perfect condition is accepted. Adult clothes only. See poster for full list of items needed. Either take donations direct to All Saints or bring to DG on 14<sup>th</sup> April and we will arrange to deliver.

**Easter Offering Service:** Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> April, 3 pm at Woodingdean Methodist Church. Methodist Women in Britain, as a justice-seeking charity, has chosen the theme 'Let Justice Roll' for this year's Easter Offering Service. "But let justice roll on like a river, righteousness like a never-failing stream!" (Amos 5:24, NIV)

The service will include the dedication of the Easter Offering, all of which goes to the World Mission Fund of the Methodist Church in Britain, supporting and working with over 100 Partner Churches and organisations around the world. More information at <https://mwib.org.uk/>

**Annual Church Meeting:** Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> May, straight after the morning service - All are welcome!

**Circuit-wide Sponsored Journey for Sanctuary: Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> May.** Funds raised go to our Circuit Refugee Project and it's six chosen local charities. All five churches will be open. Journey as far as you wish, on foot, by bus or bike, car share, etc. More details to follow!

**Volunteers Needed:** Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> May, approx. 10 am to 2 pm (times tbc). To help with refreshments for the Circuit Project Sponsored Journey. Please see Sue Harrington if you could help.