

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

Sunday 21st April 2024

10.30 am

Morning Worship

Led by Ken Smith

Keyboard Player Will Mason

Tel: 01273 605502 Email: office@dgmc.org.uk

Call to Worship

Hymn StF 481 The Lord's my shepherd

Prayers of Adoration, Thanksgiving & Confession

Lord's Prayer

Children's Time

Hymn StF 30 Jesus, stand among us

Readings 1 John 4: 1-6 Read by Barbara Lamb
John 1: 11-18

Hymn StF 513 Take this moment, sign, and space

Prayer of Intercession

Hymn StF 303 I know that my Redeemer lives

Sermon Who are WE? (True or False?)

Hymn StF 306 Now the green blade rises from the buried grain

Benediction



Flowers

The lovely flowers in church today come courtesy of the Dorset Gardens Flower Fund.

Next Sunday: 28th April 2024

10.30 am, Morning Worship

Led by Revd Kathleen Richardson

6.30 pm, Service of Healing and Communion

Led by Revd Cynthia Park

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

Dear Friends, the **Dorset Gardens Annual Church Meeting** will be held on **Sunday 5th May** at Midday, after the usual morning worship. Both will be led by myself. **All are welcome to attend** and feel free to bring a snack lunch if you wish. At the meeting we will have copies of the Annual Report, which gives a brief outline of some of the activities that have taken place over the last financial year. Also on the Agenda we will elect our Church Stewards and representatives to the Church Council. We want these roles to represent all our community and if anyone would like to be considered as a Church Steward or Church Council Rep please speak to me asap. Any other meeting questions, please contact Steve Preston at steve.westonpark@btinternet.com. *Revd Andy Lowe.*

Please note: As you are invited to bring a packed lunch on 5th May - see above - this will be in lieu of Food and Friendship.

Easter Offering Service: Today, 3 pm at Woodingdean Methodist

Church. Methodist Women in Britain has chosen the theme 'Let Justice Roll' for this year's service. 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. More information at <https://mwib.org.uk/>

Sad News: We have just heard that Bill Cooter passed away last Monday in hospital. Mary Cooter, his wife, is also in hospital. Please hold Mary and their family and friends in your prayers.

Sunday Refreshments: We would be grateful for donations of biscuits or cake for the Sunday tea and coffee table. Thank you.

Newspapers Needed: Sam Dyke is asking for newspapers for an activity she is planning. Please bring them in to DG. Thank you.

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 or Jennie treasurer@dgmc.org.uk

Circuit-wide Sponsored Journey for Sanctuary: Saturday 18th 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 18th 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.