

# 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 8<sup>th</sup> March 2026**

**Third Sunday of Lent**

10.30 am

**Morning Worship**

**Led by Revd Cynthia Park**

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## Welcome

### Lent Liturgy - Lent Three

Item: A measuring jug

We place this jug at the foot of the cross. It's a small vessel for measuring, limiting, holding back. We've been shaped by scarcity; by the myth there's not enough to go around. But God's love overflows. More than we can measure. More than we can hold.

**Response: O Lord our God, on this Lenten journey, fill us with your living water, and teach us to overflow with love. Amen**

**Hymn StF 455** All my hope on God is founded (tune i)

### Prayer and Lord's Prayer

### A story for International Women's Day from Mark's Gospel

**Hymn StF 242** A new commandment

**OT Reading** Psalm 121 (StF 830)

*After verse 4 and at the end we will sing:*

And I will raise you up on eagles' wings  
Bear you on the breath of dawn,  
Make you to shine like the sun  
And hold you in the palm of my hand.

**NT Reading** Romans 5: 1-5      Read by Barbara Lamb

**Hymn StF 41**      Blessed be your name

## Sermon

**Hymn StF 611** Brother, sister, let me serve you

**Prayers** Bidding: Lord, strengthen us with your presence.

**Response: That we may be your resurrection hope.**

**Hymn StF 610** Best of all is God is with us (tune 341)

## Blessing

### Flowers



Thank you for the lovely flowers in church today, remembering our dear friend, Andy Saunders, from his family and friends.

**Next Sunday: 15<sup>th</sup> March 2026 ~ Mothering Sunday**

**9 am, Morning Communion**

**10.30 am, All Age Worship**

Both services led by Revd Andy Lowe

### **Every Thursday**

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

2 pm, **Open House @ Dorset Gardens** - Tea, coffee, refreshments, crafts, board games... and fellowship!

## News and Notices

**Today - Food and Fellowship:** Please do join us after worship.

**Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> March: Spring and Craft Fair,** 10.30 am to 2 pm at Stanford Avenue MC. Homemade gifts, cards, cakes, raffle, tombola plus lots more! Free kids craft table. Refreshments available.

**Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> March: Lent Hymn Sing,** 1.45 to 3 pm at Dorset Gardens. Light refreshments will be served. Donations welcome towards DG church funds. If you would like to nominate a special hymn please email [deeptima@rediffmail.com](mailto:deeptima@rediffmail.com)

**Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> April: Coffee Morning & Table Top Sale,** 10 am to 2 pm at DG. Tombola, bric-a-brac, books, cakes, games, cards, Indian ready meals, refreshments & more! **Tots Takeover...** During the sale Tearaway Tots will be open! **Free** hands-on cooking demos by Bald Chef Nick. **Free** bags of groceries (supported by Morrisons)

**Request for Tombola Prizes:** Please could you donate suitable items, ideally small, fun or useful things such as treats, stationery, toiletries or gifts. All items must be new or in excellent condition. Please give them to Rosemary or Deeptima by end of March.



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