

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 9th March 2025

First Sunday of Lent

10.30 am

Morning Worship

Led by Jonathan Gravestock

Keyboard Player Will Mason

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Lent Liturgy: First Sunday of Lent

Jesus begins His journey by entering the wilderness.

Reading: Luke 4: 1-2

Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, ²where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over, he was famished.

Prayer: Dear Lord Jesus,
we place this teardrop to remind us of how hard it was for you for 40 days in the wilderness. **Amen**

A teardrop is placed on the road.

Hymn StF 238 Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us

Introduction Freedom of God

Hymn StF 485 When we are living, we are in the Lord

Prayer (children leave)

Reading Deuteronomy 26: 1-11 First fruits and Tithes
Read by Ian Lamb

Reflection Freedom past

Hymn Wild wilderness, pathetic desolation,
as Jesus walked, then rested for the night,
for forty days his strength was tried and tested,
for forty days he sifted wrong and right.

Next Sunday: 16th March 2025 ~ Second Sunday of Lent

10.30 am, Morning Worship

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 and fellowship! Photo cards for sale in aid of Action for Children.

News and Notices

Food and Fellowship: In April we'll be having our F&F on Easter Sunday (20th April) after the service. All are welcome to join us!

Saturday 15th March - Brighton Male Voice Choir: 7 pm at Woodingdean Methodist Church. Suggested donation £6. Entry by ticket. Phone 01273 887618.

Saturday 29th March - Spring & Craft Fair: 10.30 am to 2 pm at Stanford Avenue MC. Including making peace cranes in which you can add the name of a loved one, a small prayer, bible quote or poem inside. These will then fly in the Church.

An Appeal from Cath Oddhayward at Stanford Avenue: Hi Folks, I run a secondary specialist centre for young people with Autism and Developmental Language Disorder (DLD), **The Swan Centre**. We have been successful in being one of the nominated **Tesco** causes to fund our food project.

If you are in a local Tesco (branches in Brighton & Hove) from now until the end of March 2025 we would very much appreciate your token. *Thank you! Cath xx*