# **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

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Welcome and Notices	
Call to Worship	
Hymn StF 340	Ye servants of God
Opening Prayers	
Church Family Time	
Hymn StF 689	Summoned by the God who made us
	(during which the young people leave)
Bible Readings	Acts 9: 36-43Read by Tony LeonardJohn 10: 22-30
Hymn StF 481	The Lord's my shepherd
Sermon	
Hymn StF 415	The Church of Christ, in every age
Prayers of Intercession and Lord's Prayer	
Hymn StF 548	Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine

**Blessing and Dismissal** 



# Flowers

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

## Next Sunday: 18<sup>th</sup> May 2025 ~ Aldersgate Sunday

#### 3 pm, Circuit Together Service - At DG

Led by Revd Karen Bell & Stella Goddard

#### Please note - there will not be a morning service

## **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**

**Food and Fellowship** is being held today to mark our Church Anniversary. All are welcome to stay on and join us!

**Reminder:** Revd Andy Lowe is now on sabbatical until Monday 4<sup>th</sup> August 2025. If you need assistance during his absence, please contact the following: Revd Karen Bell, Acting Circuit Superintendent: <u>revkarenbell@gmail.com</u>. Steve Preston, Circuit Admin: <u>steve.preston@brightonhovemethodistcircuit.org.uk</u>

**Women of Note**: If you fancy an evening of merriment, a bit of rock music and existential musings then please come to our show in the Brighton Fringe. Women of Note are in the show as the **'Sisters Of Mercy'** helping out the Angel of Death and collecting for the Trussell Trust Network of Food Banks afterwards. Various dates from 4<sup>th</sup> May. Full details here: https://www.brightonfringe.org/events/ the-angel-of-death-will-see-you-now/

Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> May - Sustaining Hope Spring Gathering 2025: 10 am to 1 pm at Redhill Methodist Church, RH1 1BP. Please see poster in foyer for full details. To register email Revd Hazel Forecast at hazel.forecast@methodist.org.uk. Sue Harrington is hoping to go, so could travel as a group if people would like to.

**Next Sunday, 18<sup>th</sup> May - Circuit Together Service & Easter Offering, 3 pm at Dorset Gardens.** Each year, the Methodist Church holds an Easter Offering dedication service, a tradition that dates back to 1883 and money raised will go to the World Mission Fund of the Methodist Church in GB for work in our Partner Churches around the world. This year's theme is 'Education for All, Hope for All' and offers us a moment to consider how education transforms lives and communities, opening God's promise of hope and fullness of life for all people. *Please note, no morning service at DG on this date.* 

Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> June - Circuit Pentecost Communion: 8 am at Ditchling Beacon.

**Buttons!** If you have any spare buttons, the Knit 'n' Natter Group would love to put them to good use. You can bring your buttons in to DG marked "For Knitting Group". We meet on the first Friday of each month, 10 am to 12 noon. New members very welcome!

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and join us for Food and Fellowship after worship!

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