



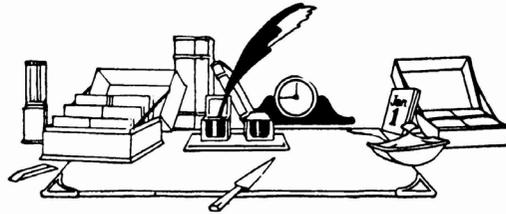
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# Brighton Unitarian Church Newsletter



The Mayor of Brighton and Hove, Cllr Pete West



December & January 2016/17

## ***Special Winter Fundraising Interfaith Service for the Mayor of Brighton, on Monday December 19th at 5.30pm***

Join us in the presence of the Mayor of Brighton and Hove, Cllr Pete West along with members of other faiths and none at a beautiful and seasonal service celebrating a moment of light and darkness. This service will be led by our Lay Leader Jef Jones and our member Rev Anthea Ballam, the Mayor's Chaplain, with music from the Interfaith Choir of Brighton & Hove with their acclaimed choir-leader Judith Silver. There will be a retiring collection for the Clock Tower Sanctuary (see below).

### **Clock Tower Sanctuary**

It's chilly outside, temperatures are dropping and for many of us thoughts now turn towards preparing for Christmas festivities, involving family, friends or loved ones. However, for many people in our City this time of year is particularly desperate and bleak. Homelessness in Brighton and Hove has more than doubled since 2011, and our City has the third largest homeless population in the UK.

The Clock Tower Sanctuary works to prevent homeless young people aged 16 to 25 becoming part of the long term homeless. By donating to their Winter Campaign, you have a chance to help vulnerable young adults, escape from a potential life of entrenched homelessness. *Thank you for your support.* For more information about the Clock Tower Sanctuary and how it supports young people, please turn to **page 2**



## Concerts in December and January



**December: Friday 2nd:** For what are birds but angels". A selection of music performed by Rachel Shouksmith (soprano) and Joe Ward (piano) exploring connections between birds and angels. Including songs by composers old and new, and taking inspiration from sources including Shakespeare and Vera Lynn!

**Friday 9th:** The a capella vocal group 'A Bunch Of Daph's' will perform a selection of Advent and Christmas music.

**Friday 16th:** Nick Andrews & friends Christmas celebration. Come and join Nick and his merry friends for this seasonal themed concert.

**January: Friday 6th:** Pianist Timothy Thornton - programme to be confirmed.

**Friday 13th:** Clarinetist Luca Luciano with his "Clarinet Solo Project" - Sequenza #1 "Il Prescelto" (L. Luciano); Lied for Clarinet Solo (L. Berio); Bachianas Brasileiras n.5 (H. Villa Lobos); plus two homage pieces - Homage to Puccini, from "Tosca" (L. Luciano) and Homage to Poulenc (L. Luciano)

**Friday 20th:** Deirdre McCabe (soprano) and Joe Ward (piano) present a programme of dramatic songs running the emotional gamut, exploring the world of characters from Goethe's Faust and Wilhelm Meister as well as poems by Christina Rossetti and Rupert Brooke, in settings by Schumann, Hugo Wolf, John Ireland and others.

**Friday 27th:** The Brighton Chamber Ensemble are joined by members of the LIPS wind quintet for a rare performance of the sextet for piano, strings and wind by Dohnanyi.

### One World Orchestra Friday 27th January

Friday 27th January: The One World Orchestra plays Paul Busby's Brighton Suite  
This concert is fundraiser for the band, for the Church Building Fund and for a charity which supports vulnerable people living on our streets in here Brighton.

Tickets £12 / £10 concessions Doors open 7.30 [www.oneworldorchestra.co.uk](http://www.oneworldorchestra.co.uk)

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### The Clock Tower Sanctuary... from Page 1.

It costs just £10 for the chance to have a shower, to wash their clothes, have a hot meal and talk to one of our trained volunteers.

For full details of how you can donate visit [www.thefts.org.uk](http://www.thefts.org.uk) or contact us on 01273 722353 or email [info@thefts.org.uk](mailto:info@thefts.org.uk)

**Please make cheque or CAF vouchers payable to The Clock Tower Sanctuary, Wenlock House, 41-43 North Street, Brighton, BN1 1RH.**

### Organ Recital by Johan De Cock

*Sunday 4th December Organ Recital.*

Organ music by Sweelinck, Zipoli, Bach, Handel, Stanley, Liszt, Brahms, Vierne, Flor Peeters and De Cock [as well as a few congregational carols!]

Tickets: £5 (on the door) to include free mince pies and mulled wine.

All proceeds to go towards the upkeep of Brighton Unitarian's Kirkland organ.

### Quiz and Fish'n'Chips Night



Saturday Jan 21st. Come along to our popular fund-raising evening quiz with fish and chips. Bring your friends, make up a team, there'll be a choice of fish/sausage/veggie-burger and chips (advance order only) and glittering prizes! More details in the New Year. All in aid of the Building Fund.

### Living With Spirit Workshops at Brighton Unitarian Church

Welcoming the Sacred

7.30 - 9.30 pm Dec Thurs 8th, 2016

This workshop will explore how we can prepare ourselves for the Christmas season. It is a profound and sacred moment in the calendar and a stressful or sad time for some. If you would like to think about what Christmas means to you and how you might honour that meaning this might be the workshop for you.

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## SUNDAY PULPIT PROGRAMME SERVICES 2016/17



**Our Sunday Services at Brighton Unitarian Church (BUC) are held at 11 am, unless indicated otherwise. Please note that from 10.50 on Sundays we have quiet and stillness in the lead up to the start of the service. Following the service you are invited to join us for tea or coffee.**

## DECEMBER AND JANUARY

<b>4th December</b> Jef Jones (Lay Leader BUC)	Pianist:	Pamela Nickels
<b>11th December</b> Jef Jones (Lay Leader BUC)	Pianist:	Kathy Pitt
<b>18th December</b> Jef Jones (Lay Leader BUC)	Pianist:	Joe Ward

**25th December**  
Jo O'Sullivan (Member BUC)

**1st January**  
Jef Jones (Lay Leader BUC)

Pianist: Nick Andrews

**8th January**  
Rev Anthea Ballam (Member BUC)

Pianist: Joe Ward

**15th January**  
Jef Jones (Lay Leader BUC)

Pianist: Pamela Nickels

**22nd January**  
Rev Maria Curtis (Minister Horsham UC)

Pianist: Jamie Andrews

**29th January**  
Rev Jen Sanders (BUC Member)

Pianist: Kathy Pitt

**Setting Up:** The important task of setting up the church for worship on a Sunday morning is carried out by generous volunteers from the congregation. If you would like to help please contact Jef or any member of the committee.

### What do I believe?

7.30 - 9.30 pm Jan Thursday 12th, 2017

An opportunity to consider your spiritual beliefs in a non-judgemental and thought-provoking atmosphere. If you would like to think more about your religious views and spiritual attitudes

this workshop will provide a friendly space for reflection and exchange on these topics. These workshops are free and open to all. To book a place please email [jefjones@btinternet.com](mailto:jefjones@btinternet.com) or call the church on 01273 69602

**Workshop Leader: Jef Jones, Lay Pastor, Brighton Unitarian Church**

