

## EFFRA ROAD CHAPEL, BRIXTON

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Here for the Broadly Spiritual & All Since 1839

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[www.brixtonunitarians.org](http://www.brixtonunitarians.org)

Brixton Legal Centre

[www.brixtonlegalcentre.com](http://www.brixtonlegalcentre.com)

Unity Child Contact Centre:

<http://www.supervisedchildcontact.org/site/home.html>

Chapel Close Residential Accommodation:

[www.grapevineletting.com](http://www.grapevineletting.com)

Chapel Community Carparking SW2 1BZ

<https://www.justpark.com/uk/parking/london/s/effra-road-london-sw2/>

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## BRIXTON UNITARIANS' NEWSLETTER

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### SEPTEMBER '24

01 10:30	<u>Autumn Rededication Communion</u>	Minister
	Truth - Beauty - Goodness	
- -	Monthly Foodbank Collection	(1)
08 10:30	Sunday Service	Minister
15 10:30	Congregation's DIY Service	JT; (2)
22 10:30	Mindfulness Service	Minister
- 12:15	<i>Concert Series: Abigail Millar Todd (Harp)</i>	(3)
29 10:30	HARVEST FESTIVAL	
	With Jack Redman (Bass)	-
- -	Big Effort Foodbank Collection	(1)
- 11:45	Brockwell Park All Weather Walk	-
- 13:00	Harvest Meal in Chapel (V)	-

### OCTOBER

06 10:30	<u>New Month Rededication Communion</u>	Minister
	Truth - Beauty - Goodness	
13 10:30	Sunday Service	Minister
20 10:30	Mindfulness Service	Minister
27 10:30	Sunday Service (BST ends)	Minister
- 12:15	<i>Concert Series: Jay Carroll (Piano)</i>	(3)

### NOVEMBER

03 10:30	ALL SAINTS & ALL SOULS	Minister
	Remembering Spiritual Heroes & Loved Ones Departed	
- -	<u>New Month Rededication Communion</u>	Minister
	Truth - Beauty - Goodness	
- -	Foodbank Collection	(1)
10 10:30	WORLDWIDE REMEMBRANCE PEACE SERVICE	Minister
	With Rev CJ McGregor, New District Minister	

17 10:30	Sunday Service	Minister
24 10:30	Mindfulness Service	Minister
- 12:15	<i>Concert Series: Brixton Soloists' Orchestra Rachmaninoff's Dances &amp; Ravel's Mother Goose</i>	(3)

*I've been thinking about the way, when you walk down a crowded aisle, people pull in their legs to let you by.*

*Or how strangers will say "bless you" when someone sneezes, a leftover from the Bubonic plague; 'Don't Die', we are saying.*

## DECEMBER

01 10:30	1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday in Advent	Minister
-	<u>Winter Rededication Communion</u>	-
	Truth - Beauty - Goodness	
- 13:30	ADVENT/ EARLY XMAS WEST END MEAL	(4)
	Prix Fixe, Dean St, Soho	-
08 10:30	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Advent	Minister
15 <del>10:30</del>	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Advent	Minister
- 12:15	YE OLDE MINDFUL CAROLS SERVICE	Minister
	With Tenor, Soprano, Family & Friends	
	Festive Refreshments	
22 10:30	4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Advent	Minister
	GOODBYE 2024 SERVICE	Minister
29	<b>Chapel Closed</b>	-

*And sometimes, when you spill lemons from your grocery bag, someone else will help you pick them up.*

*Mostly, we don't want to harm each other.*

*We want to be handed our cup of coffee hot, and to say thank you to the person handling it.*

*To smile at them, and for them to smile back.*

*For the waitress to call us 'honey' when she sets down the bowl of clam chowder.*

*And for the driver of the red pick-up truck to let us pass.*

*We have so little of each other, now.*

*So far from tribe or fire.*

*Only these brief moments of exchange.*

*What if they are the true dwelling of the holy, these fleeting temples we make together when we say, 'Here, have my seat', 'Go ahead – you first', 'I like your hat.'*

## JAN '25

05	<b>Chapel Closed</b>	-
12 10:30	HELLO 2025 / NEW YEAR COOMUNION	Minister

## MINISTER'S BRIEF MESSAGE

We enter Michaelmas with a gentle schedule of lovely events to mindfully mark Autumn, Harvest, Hallowtide, Winter, Advent, Christmas and New Year. Be sure to join us regularly, so as not merely to pass through these times, but to have each one of their days pass through you, leaving you present in Eternity, in peace, confidence and joy.

## NOTES

(1) Foodbank Collection Guidance:

<https://norwoodbrixton.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-food/>

(2) Julian & Andrew returning from wedding of Tom Snook and Peyton Baxter, Harrogate, Yorkshire

(3) BU Concert Series Tickets: <https://brixtonunitarians.org/sunday-concerts/>.

(4) £25 pp / £0 pp on UC; right cash / advice to Stephen by **03.11.24**; limited number of guests attending earlier service welcome

A REFLECTION: SMALL KINDNESSES, DANUSHKA LAMERIS

