



**Abbey Church  
and  
Dirleton Kirk News  
October/November 2019  
Minister:**

**Rev. Dr David J Graham,  
BSc, BD**

**Sunday Morning Worship  
at**

**9.30 am (until 10.20)  
Dirleton Kirk**

**10.30am (Until 11.30)  
Abbey Church**

**Come along. All welcome.  
Wednesdays 10am**

**Half Hour Prayer Service  
Dirleton**

Dear Dirleton & Abbey Friends,

I came across this article from Thomas Rainer. I've shortened it, I can pass on the complete article if you wish, you can also find it on his blog. I hasten to add that I'm not quoting it because there are any particular issues here, but just because I think it has a lot of wisdom. And I think it applies to everyone, not just to ministers.

Your Minister,  
David

### *HOW TO DISAGREE WITH YOUR PASTOR*

I love pastors. I respect pastors. I honour pastors. Of course, you can certainly find the bad apples in the batch. But this one thing I know: most pastors are godly and honourable leaders. They love their church members. They love their communities. They love their families. They love the God they serve.

Are pastors infallible? Of course not. You know as well as I that no one is perfect. They will make mistakes. They will have a bad day. They will get frustrated. So (how) should you disagree with them?

Pray first. Okay, this one is obvious. But in the heat of the moment, this one can be easily forgotten.

Make sure what you have to say is absolutely necessary. If it's just about not getting something your way, just drop it.

Don't begin with, "I love you, but . . ." Most people will only hear everything after the "but."

Don't say, "People are saying . . ." Speak for yourself, not the cowards in anonymity. Any leader should discount or ignore "people are saying" criticisms.

Don't express your disagreement on a Sunday, right before or after the service. In fact, hold off all disagreements. If you wait a day or two, the urgency to criticize may go away.

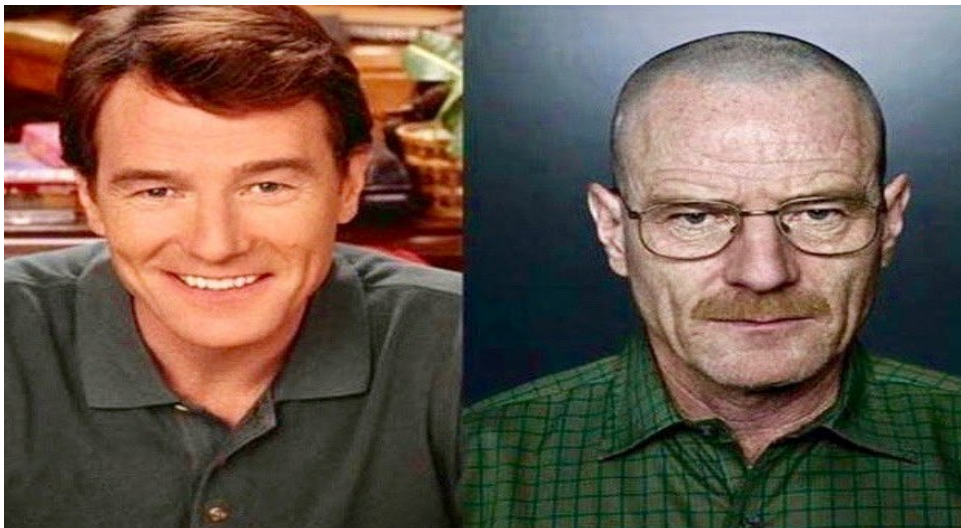
Make clear you want to hear the other person's perspective. If you have a sincere disagreement, you will want to hear the other side. Listen as much as speaking, if not more.

Be a part of the solution. Criticizing and stating negatives are easy. If you really care about your church, you will be willing to offer a solution.

Pray again. Pray for your pastor. Pray for yourself. Pray for you words to be received well. Pray for your church.

I was in conversation with a pastor called to ministry from the business world. His call was genuine, but he admitted he was a frequent critic of his pastors before he became one. "I often knew a better way, and I wasn't hesitant to let them know," he said. "Now that I am on the other side, I can't believe how insensitive and even ungodly I was. The life of a pastor is so stressful. If I only knew then . . ."  
Indeed!!

Me when I began in ministry and me now.



## Future Church Services

Over the next few weeks, we'll be looking at the 'Big Picture' of God's story in the Bible. With selected passages, we'll hear God's promises, how they were broken by us, and God's great plan to redeem us and all of creation through Jesus.

October 6<sup>th</sup> is the Guild Dedication at Abbey, and 20<sup>th</sup> is Dirleton Communion.

On the evening of November 3<sup>rd</sup> there's a communion in Abbey, and 10<sup>th</sup> is Remembrance Sunday. Gosh, it won't be long until Christmas!

## Bible Study

The autumn Bible Study will meet in Abbey large hall on Tuesday evenings during October and November (except 5<sup>th</sup> November which is an Elders safeguarding training evening).

It starts on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> October at 7.30, and we'll be looking at the letter to the Philippians, with a short video introduction and time for discussion each week. Everyone welcome.

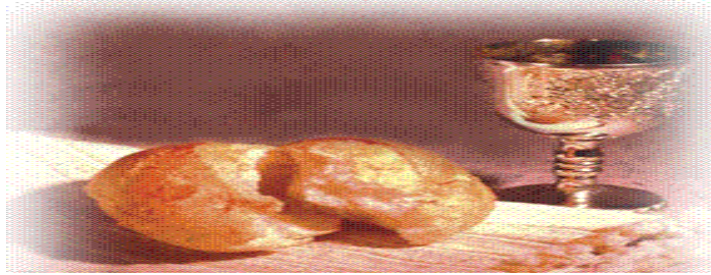
## Keep in touch!

**Email** is an easy way to keep in touch, and let people know about what's happening locally and in the wider church. If you use email, please send your address to the Church Office.

For pastoral visiting, it would also be helpful to have a **mobile number**, the number of a next of kin, and your 'Sunday' name- hospitals use your official name, and it can be confusing when visiting if you're known by something different! And the ward number too, please.



## Dirleton Kirk



You are warmly invited to join us for  
Holy Communion  
on Sunday 20th October  
at 9.30am

The Special Offering will be for The Twinning Fund

## Blythswood Christmas Shoebox Appeal

Each year we have had a wonderful response to this Appeal. The covered shoeboxes will be available to fill from the beginning of October and the final collection date will be on Sunday 27th October as Blythswood collect them all on Wednesday 30th October.

If anyone is unable to fill a box but would like to help, a small donation towards the cost of delivery to the recipient in Eastern Europe etc, would be appreciated.





The Church of Scotland

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# GOOD MONEY WEEK FAIR

Your money changing the world

Connecting your faith and values to your finances  
so your money can help ensure a more just and  
sustainable world now and in the future.



# Good Money Week

Saturday 5th October 2019 9:30am - 1pm  
City of Edinburgh Methodist Church, EH8 9BX

**To register and find out more:**  
[gmwcofs2019.eventbrite.co.uk](http://gmwcofs2019.eventbrite.co.uk)

# **GOOD MONEY WEEK FAIR**

Your money changing the world

## **What's on offer?**

Great networking and learning opportunities for you, your church and your community

## **Welcome**

Conference Hall, 10:00 - 10:15

Rebecca Jones: Good with Money

## **Marketplace**

Conference Hall, 9.30 - 13:00 (complimentary tea and coffee at 9.30)

A Marketplace with stalls from a wide range of organisations including Charities, Credit Unions, Ethical Financial Services, Community Projects, other Churches. Great networking and learning opportunities for you, your church and your community

## **Workshops**

- Demystifying economics

Room 2, 10:45 - 11:25

Church of Scotland

- Discussing divestment from fossil fuels

Mezzanine Room, 11:30 - 12:10

Chaired by Rebecca Jones, Good with Money

- Exploring well-being economics

Room 2, 12:15 - 12:55

Una Bartley, Wellbeing Economy Alliance

## Abbey Church - Budget V Actual at 30 June 2019 - All Funds

<b>Income (All Funds)</b>	<b>Annual Budget</b>	<b>Budget to 30 Jun</b>	<b>Actual to 30 Jun</b>	<b>Variance</b>
Offerings	69,000	34,500	32,788	(1,712)
Tax reclaim	16,000	8,000	7,868	(132)
Miscellaneous	13,800	7,300	6,545	(755)
Premises income	16,000	8,000	7,881	(119)
Investment income	5,000	2,500	3,065	565
Legacies	-	-	3,285	3,285
Dirleton	6,000	3,000	3,000	-
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>125,800</b>	<b>63,300</b>	<b>64,432</b>	<b>1,132</b>

### **Expenditure (All Funds)**

Church of Scotland payments	56,266	28,134	28,901	(767)
Pastoral Expenses	11,700	5,350	3,835	1,515
Other Salaries	46,275	23,065	22,405	660
Premises costs	21,784	10,935	9,759	1,176
Church Office Expenses	3,500	1,750	1,509	241
Investments	-	-	-	-
New Building	2,000	2,000	1,894	106
Miscellaneous	9,500	4,750	2,795	1,955
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>151,025</b>	<b>75,984</b>	<b>71,098</b>	<b>4,886</b>

<b>Budget for year 2019</b>	<b>(25,225)</b>
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<b>Budget for Six months</b>	<b>(12,684)</b>
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<b>Deficit for Six months</b>	<b>(6,666)</b>
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<b>Variance</b>	<b>6,018</b>
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## Abbey Church (All Funds)

### Six Months to 30 June 2019

#### General

The deficit for the half year was £6,666. These costs were financed by using funds received in past years.

The main reason for the 2019 budget deficit of £25,225 is the employment, and costs, of the youth and family workers.

#### Income

Offerings - In total these are less than both the budget and the amount received last year. The offerings received in the bank by standing order and the 'blue envelope' are less than budget and last year. However, the open plate giving is greater than budget and last year.

*(Note - If you are tax payer and wish the Abbey to recover the tax paid by yourself please would you pick up a gift-aid form from the office or ask Phil for one.)*

Miscellaneous income includes income from the Gospel Choir and Dynamic Kirk.

In the last we quarter recovered tax on a legacy received two years ago.

#### Expenditure

Pastoral costs include expenditure relating to youth work. More costs will be coming through in the next quarter.

Built in to the budget for premises costs are amounts to cover the maintenance backlog for both the Church and the Manse. It is anticipated that these amounts will be spent as the maintenance programme picks up.

Miscellaneous expenses include the costs of the

Gospel Choir and Dynamic Kirk.

If you have any questions please ask.

Stuart Ainslie

3 September 2019

Your Finance Team

Income - Gift-aid

Phil Spencer

Income - Hall Rentals

Paola Burrows

Payment of bills

Janice Cobb

Accounting - OSCR, periodic accounts and Church of Scotland

Stuart Ainslie



Help needed...can you put a smile on Mariam's face?

Can you make room for an international student to experience true British Festive hospitality?

Hosting an international student will bring a whole new dimension to your Christmas, with a chance to learn about another country's traditions and enjoy the connection and friendship that such sharing brings.

**HOST UK** arranges for international students to enjoy brief visits-one day, a weekend or, over the festive period, a three-day visit, with UK hosts.

We warmly welcome new volunteer hosts to join us.

To learn more, go to our website [www.hostuk.org](http://www.hostuk.org)

or leave us a message on <http://visits.hostuk.org/Public/ApplyToBecomeAHost>



## WALT - Women Are Learning Together

It has been encouraging to welcome so many ladies to this new venture. So far we have looked at the lives of Hagar, Abigail, the Queen of Sheba and Deborah in the Old Testament and reflected on the relevance they have on our lives today.

The dates for the rest of the year are as follows:

14<sup>th</sup> October - The Shunammite Woman (2Kings 4:8-37)

28<sup>th</sup> October - Rahab (Joshua Chapters 2 and 6)

11<sup>th</sup> November - Esther (Book of Esther)

25<sup>th</sup> November - Elizabeth/Mary (Luke: 5-80)

9<sup>th</sup> December - Mary (Matthew 1:18 -25; Luke 1:26-80; John 19:25 -27)

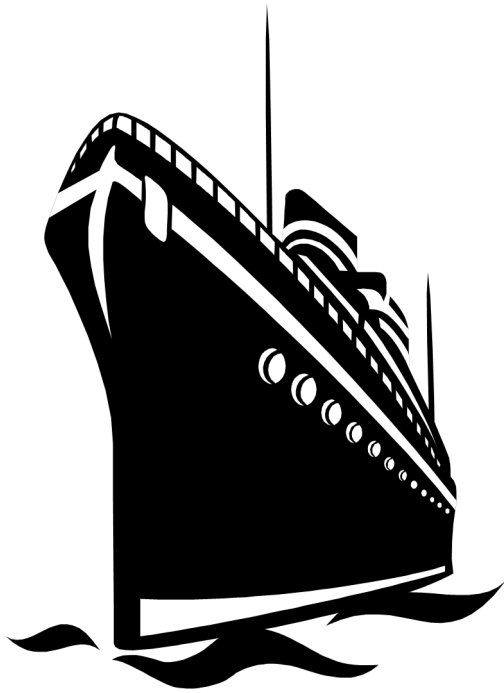
Plus mince pies and cakes and a time to socialise.

Tea and coffee are available from 2:00 and we aim to start our study at 2:15 and finish by 3:15.

Please feel free to join us at any time so that we can grow together and encourage each other in our faith.

Sheila Burgon

# ***SET SAIL WITH REGAL***



**2nd Thursday  
Every month  
In Abbey Hall  
At 12 midday**

## **New winter season programme**

New for this year find out about Russia, Greece, the North Pole and the whole world in maps.

Plus a whole lot more including the Summer Outing.

**SOUP AND SANDWICH LUNCH**

**ALL WELCOME**

***Launches October***

***DON'T MISS THE BOAT!***

# REGAL

## Abbey Church

Regal meets on the second Thursday at 12 noon in Abbey Church Hall to listen to a speaker talk on his subject.

Afterwards we have a soup and sandwich lunch .

<b>2019</b>		
10 October	The Original Edinburgh Tramway System	Ken Williamson
14 November	Peter the Great	Robert Simpson
12 December	A Christmas Melody	The Real Eightsome
<b>2020</b>		
9 January	A Walk to the North Pole	David Aston
13 February	The Challenge of Creating Maps	Belinda Kane
12 March	Saving the Elgin Marbles – the local connection	Ailsa Fortune
11 June	Our Summer Outing	



## Abbey and Dirleton Guild

Start of the new session of our Guild is always important and exciting. In the days when there were no lady-ministers, nor lady-elders the Guild became the backbone of Church Activities. Much (some would say all) of the church's social activities happened through the Guild, as did much of the fundraising for local and international "good works". Nowadays we have a plethora of committees to cover everything including the above but the weekly/fortnightly Guild meetings have continued to be a source of strength and underlying support for the many activities which our churches enable. Meetings are on Tuesday afternoons at 2.30, starting with short worship and finishing with refreshments. We are not just a "group of old" people, and we invite you all to join us for any and all of our meetings. We begin within Abbey Church Sunday worship with an act of Dedication on Sunday October 6<sup>th</sup> and then meet on the following Tuesdays at 2.30pm in Abbey large hall. We, previous members, look forward to greeting you all on the following dates. Copies of the year's Syllabus are available.

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| Oct 8  | David Graham - Companions On The Road  |
| Oct 22 | Ann Hay - The Bethany Christian Trust  |
| Nov 5  | World Mission Council - Zambia Project |
| Nov 19 | Jenny Kellock - Visit to India         |



## Little Nippers Baby and Toddler Group

Little Nippers started back in August and it was lovely to see some familiar faces as well as many new ones. The children were all delighted to be back playing with some exciting new toys and the mums and dads were all happy to sit down with a coffee and have a chat with friends.



Little Nippers is on every Thursday morning  
10-11.30am

## Bethany

Abbey and Dirleton now have dates to serve meals at the Bethany Care Shelter for the coming year, Friday 8th November 2019, Monday 2nd March 2020 and 8th April 2020. We need to organise a team of 2 men and 4 ladies including 2 drivers. We will make arrangements for next year nearer the time. Please contact Dorothy Kirkpatrick which dates you are able to go. It is very rewarding to do this and new helpers are be welcome to join the team.



One of our members has been helping once a week as a handyman decorating some of the Bethany flats. Also some from Abbey are attending a 'Thank You' evening in Edinburgh.

Please pray for and remember those unfortunate people who use the Shelter because they are homeless and need a meal and a warm bed for the night.

## Abbey Gospel Choir

Our Fringe By The Sea performance was thoroughly enjoyed by everyone who came along. We sang an hour of uplifting songs and managed to raise around £1,500 for Bethany's Christian Trust and Christian Aid. The choir started back with a bang in August welcoming about 20 new members on the first night and still growing! We are on every Wednesday 7.30 - 8.30pm. Come and try us out if you haven't already!





## Abbey Church Festival

Our very first Abbey Church Festival in August was a big success. We were extremely lucky with the weather as it didn't look good for a while. But we managed to get outdoors and have lots of fun. There was beach volleyball, a sandcastle building competition, parachute games on Elcho Green, a magician, kite-making and flying, a Little Nippers play area, hotdogs and juice stall, a crafty prayer table, a Going Bananas photobooth, festival glitter face painting, a cafe outside the church serving lots of delicious cakes, sandwiches and paella! And much more! The day was finished off with some singing from Abbey Gospel Choir. It was great to see so many families come along and join in all the fun and our teens from Rise were absolute stars in helping to bring a lot of fun, help and enthusiasm to the day. Thank you so much to everyone who helped out! From our Guild ladies who served up all the teas, coffees and food to our friendly lollipop men and ladies.... You all made the day extra special!



# Abbey Church and Dirleton Kirk Prayers

October and November 2019

Dear friends in Christ

Isn't it difficult to choose which Christmas cards/ gifts you'd buy to give to friends at Christmas time? More so, as you begin receiving catalogues in August etc? We've got at least five brochures at the moment. I love picking cards for each person/family. As each Christmas approaches I say to myself "What will I do this year?" Purchase the cards in bulk (then it makes it easy to write each one) or buy different packs to choose a card for each person/family! Eventually I make my choices form several packs because I chose a card to suit each recipient. I wonder what you do? Whatever, I'm certain the Lord will be glad you just kept in touch with your family and friends, rejoicing in the celebration of Jesus' birth.

Let us Pray.

Father God,

Thank you for all the wonderful gifts you give to us. Especially the gift of Jesus, your son—our Saviour. It is so reassuring to know that whoever we are, whatever we do we know that you are with us, guarding us and guiding us whatever our fears are—always have us in your care, because you love us and know we love and trust in you. Thank you Lord. May we have a good response to our Blythswood Shoe Box Appeal, enabling us

to help those who are most unfortunate. Let the Abbey Gospel Choir go from strength to strength. Thank you for all the planning Clare and Ian have done planning REGAL and pray this will be encouraged. Bless all the different leaders taking part in the newly opened groups ie WALT. Jesus, let us give generously on Harvest Thanksgiving 29th September 19. Thank you for the many who helped with the teas over July and August may all the funds raised be given to those in need. Bless our leaders in our church, Rev David J Graham and Bob Kane and all whom they love. We'd encourage many to take up the Alpha Course. Thank you too for all taking part in Abbey Creche duty, the Morning Tea rota and the Flower Rota groups. What they do is much appreciated. Bless all Church Members, especially those who are ill and those who care for them. Bless those who feel lonely or depressed and all who are grieving whether recently or a long time ago.

Thank you.

We ask these things in Jesus' precious name.

Amen

Betty Hawthorn  
Prayer Secretary



## **Summer Afternoon Teas**

Fortunately the weather was kind to us and we had another successful year for our Summer Teas raising £888 over 4 Sundays.

It has been decided to give £300 each to North Berwick Day Centre and Dementia Friendly North Berwick and £288 to North Berwick Beavers. There was £400 left over from a previous year and this will go to Abbey Samaritan Fund.

Once again a big thank you to all who helped in any way and visitors and locals who came along to support us.

## **Coffee after Church**

We are running a bit low on biscuits for after Church coffee and donations would be much appreciated.





## Dirleton Kirk

At the meeting of the Kirk Session on 28<sup>th</sup> August, there was discussion of proposals to seek funding from the Coastal Area Partnership in order to fund certain improvements to the amenity of the village. Derek Carter attended the Kirk Session and addressed the meeting. He has been preparing the approach to the funders, and has drawn up plans relating to a number of aspects of the appearance of the village. These include street lighting, the re-siting items like litter bins and grit bins where they may be thought to detract from the appearance of the village.

The centrepiece of the proposals is the War Memorial green and the preservation of the War Memorial, and these, naturally, relate directly to the Kirk. The War Memorial was designed by the celebrated architect Robert Lorimer. 2020 will mark its centenary. It is proposed that the village works with the War Memorial Trust to fund necessary renovation of to preserve the fabric of the War Memorial. It has become vulnerable to damage from frost and rain; the stonework requires to be repointed to deal with this. The base of the Memorial requires to be preserved.

The proposals view Lorimer's War Memorial as having been sited in a way which would enhance the appearance of the village, intended to be viewed against the background of the Kirk and the group of buildings around it. These involve the replacement of the railings between the entrance to the churchyard and the Church Hall, a review of signage here and in the

village as a whole, resiting of the telephone wire which spans the green, works addressing the problems of drainage at the north end of the War Memorial green, and damage to the grass verges on the green and outside the Church Hall.

The proposals also address parking at and around the Kirk, at the wall on the west side of the green and outside the Session House. These are likely to touch most directly upon the day to day operation of the Kirk, in terms of use by worshippers during the week, by funerals and weddings, by the use of the Kirk for concerts, and the use of the Hall by the playgroup and other bodies within the community. It is therefore important that the Kirk's members and everyone in the village, should consider the proposals and express their views. Can I therefore invite everyone to consider the plans. The Kirk Session agreed that I should receive copies of the plans from Derek, and send them to anyone who may request sight of them. My email address is <[keithstewart@icloud.com](mailto:keithstewart@icloud.com)> Outwith the Kirk Session, there is ongoing discussion of the proposals in the Dirleton Village Association.

Following upon Sea Sunday, the Red Ensign flew from the church tower in honour of the service of the Merchant Navy, marking Merchant Navy day on 3<sup>rd</sup> September. Our thanks to the Merchant Navy Association for lending us the standard so that we could show publicly our appreciation.

Keith Stewart

Dirleton Kirk Session Clerk

## Parent's Room @ Law Primary



The parent's room will start up again at Law Primary after the school break, on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October. Could you spare an hour every few weeks to chat to parents, make them feel welcome and brew them a cup of tea or coffee while they wait for their children coming out of school?

I will put together a rota of willing volunteers who can be at the specified room at school between 3pm and 4pm on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays during school term. I'm hopeful that we can get enough people together that we can ask volunteers to do one day (Mondays to Thursdays) every three weeks. Just let me know your availability, and I will put a new rota together every three weeks.

Its a great opportunity to meet with parents in our community and get to know them. Feedback from last year was really positive, with parents being so thankful for somewhere warm, dry and friendly to wait.

If you could help at all, please let me know - the more people we have on the rota, the less commitment needed by each person. For further information, please contact Hazel - [Hazel.abbeychurch@hotmail.com](mailto:Hazel.abbeychurch@hotmail.com) or leave a message at the Abbey Church office.

Many thanks.

Hazel

## Prayer for our Children and Young People

I would like to ask you to join together for 24 hours of prayer for the children and young people of North Berwick and Dirleton. With the rising pressures on our young people, we need to be lifting them to God in prayer. I would like to ask the churches in North Berwick and Dirleton to join together before the start of the next school term and cry out to the Lord for our children and young people.

- I am inviting people from all churches to sign up for an hour slot over the 24 hours, and to use that hour to pray for children and young people.
- You can pray wherever you would like - at home, at a favourite nature spot, perhaps at church if it's a time it will be open.
- You can sign up on your own, or with others if you'd prefer.

I will put a sign up sheet at the front of the church where you can leave your name and contact details, or email me directly at [hazel.abbeychurch@hotmail.com](mailto:hazel.abbeychurch@hotmail.com)

- Prayer points will be sent to those who have signed up, but feel free to pray however you feel led.

We will start the slots at 9am on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> October and continue until 9am on Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> October.

If you have any questions, please let me know.

Blessings,  
Hazel



## Community Connections

"Some time in our lives, we all have pain, we all have sorrow." It's a line from Bill Withers' 'Lean on Me', perhaps known to you from our own Abbey Gospel Choir concerts. The line resonates for me, and for many friends and the folk I work with.

North Berwick Coastal Community Connections began in April 2019, created and led by the North Berwick Coastal Health and Well Being Association, and funded by the Area Partnership for one year.

Our aim is to tackle social isolation by connecting people (anyone over the age of 18) into community activities (anything from clubs to classes to gentle exercise to sports, etc) that they'd like to take part in, and which may have been 'social prescriptions' from their GP. Referrals come from both health professionals and other members of the community - which can include church members!

It's for absolutely anyone you feel could benefit and who's willing to be put in touch with me. I meet them one to one, either at my Social Prescribing Clinic (the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month, 4-6pm at the Health Centre) or wherever they prefer. We talk over what their story is and what the barrier have been for them at this point in their lives, which might include anything from bereavement to poverty to house move to depression to a recent fall or loss of mobility. Then we try to get around or remove those barriers, and arrange to chum them over the threshold to their

first experience of the activity they'd like to access. I currently work with up to 15 people from a range of ages and backgrounds. I have also luckily recruited about 25 Community Connectors, who are volunteers willing to help with the chumming and with events we may run. You'd be really welcome to join us.

Abbey Church members and clergy have been extremely supportive and we've been given a free of the Small Hall for **Monday afternoons (1-3pm)**, where we host the **Scone Café** - Dorothy's scones are naturally a great attraction (open to all, dog friendly, free but donations welcome), but so is the chance to meet some new folk and chat in an unpressurised, welcoming setting. We might play the odd game, have a visiting speaker and explore other ideas over time. It's up to whoever comes along. Drop by and join us, or bring a neighbour you think might enjoy it.

If you're interested in referring someone to me, or would like to become a Community Connector (there is no minimum time commitment), or explore other ideas (do we have the capacity to set up a befriending programme within the congregation?), please get in touch as below, or catch me on a Sunday at church. This is such an exciting project and you could play a vital part - I can't wait to hear from you.

*Carol Stobie, Project Officer*

*Nbc-communityconnections@outlook.com*

*07940 203380*





## Abbey Church Creche Duty Rota

6th Oct	Margaret Lawson	Janice Cobb
13th Oct	Margaret Lawson	Janice Cobb
20th Oct	Dorothy Kirkpatrick	Sadie Young
27th Oct	Sarah Kerr	Carol Stobie
3rd Nov	Rose Leslie	Dorothy Kirkpatrick
10th Nov	Joan Lunn	Caitriana Spencer
17th Nov	Margaret Lawson	Janice Cobb
24th Nov	Dorothy Kirkpatrick	Sadie Young

We are looking for new volunteers to join the Crèche list. Some people have been unwell and others have retired. It is only every 6 weeks or so and often not needed. It is lots of fun to meet the children in our congregation, so please speak to Dorothy e-mail [dorothyk43@me.com](mailto:dorothyk43@me.com) or tell Paola in the Church office.



## Abbey Church Morning Tea Rota

6th October		Sarah Kerr
13th October	Dorothy Kirkpatrick	Mary Graham
20th October	Sadie Young	Morna McClure
27th October	Sheila McCubbing	Irene Nichol
3rd Nov	Irene Brodie	Robina Brown
10th Nov	Isabel Smith	Catherine Andrew
17th Nov	Isobel Hardie	
24th Nov	Fiona Gibson	Pat McKie



## Abbey Church Flower Rota

Date	Donor	Arranger
6th October	Mrs I McKay	Bel Hardie
13th October	Mrs M Purves	Sheila McCubbing
20th October	Mrs L McLean	Irene Nichol
27th October	Mrs J Lunn	Kate Campbell
3rd Nov	Ms J Gilchrist	Kate Campbell
10th Nov Armistice Day	Mrs F Hutchison Mrs A Bell	Fiona Hutchison
17th Nov	Mrs L Ferry Mrs D Danks	Sheila McCubbing
24th Nov	Mrs I Hardie	Isobel Hardie





# Stepping Stones

## *A Local Bereavement Support Programme*

**Stepping Stones** is a group-based bereavement support programme developed by a number of trained local people and co-ordinated by an experienced professional. The programme lasts for six weeks and explores various aspects of loss.

**Stepping Stones** offers an opportunity to share with other bereaved folk and to benefit from the insights of experienced resource people.

**The next programme begins in**

**The Port Seton Community Centre**

*On Monday 7<sup>th</sup> October 2019 at 2pm*

If you are interested in attending or would like more information, contact the programme co-ordinator by phone on **07724 916700** or by e-mail at:

[steppingstones.mail@gmail.com](mailto:steppingstones.mail@gmail.com)

## Church Register

### Baptisms

11.8.19 James Alexander Flockhart  
22.9.19 Christian Peter Moray Fraser

### Weddings

10.8.19 David Trimble and Ashton Ritchie  
7.9.19 Mark Turner and Lindsay Russell

### Funerals

8.19 Elizabeth Morton  
15.8.19 Ivor John Greenhaf  
19.8.19 Kirsteen Mary Chalmers-Watson  
10.9.19 William Robertson  
17.9.19 Dr John McEwen (Ian) Hendry  
19.9.19 Norman Dewar Wight  
3.9.19 David Henderson  
28.9.19 Vernon Chamberlin

### Pastoral Visits

The Minister and Pastoral Assistant are happy to visit church members who are ill, either at home or in hospital. If in hospital, please also pass on the ward number, as this is not available to Ministers. This information should be given to the Minister (890800) or via the Church Office (892800). Thank you.



**Abbey Church,**  
116 High Street, (at Church Road)  
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