

# The Abbey Church of Scotland, North Berwick and Dirleton Kirk



Services led by: Keith Stewart (Dirleton)
and Jackie Ley (Abbey)
Pastoral Assistant: Robert Kane

Sunday, 10th August 2025

Today's Service Theme:
Divine Women's Lib (Abbey)

9.30am Morning Worship, Dirleton Kirk 10.30am Morning Worship, Abbey Church

Welcome to all visitors today

Because of essential repairs to Dirleton Kirk tower, the main west door is out of bounds. Access is only by the side (Archerfield Aisle) door. Thanks for your co-operation.

Abbey Church Office (serving Abbey and Dirleton) is open 10am - 1pm, Tuesday to Friday: Church Office \$892800 Website: abbeychurch.org.uk email: abbeychurch@abbeychurch.co.uk Church Administrator: Darren Barber

## Morning Worship, Dirleton Kirk 9.30am (to 10.20am) Organist - Andrew Elders

Scripture: Luke 15:1-10 read by Peter Keeling

CH 482 Come Let us to the Lord our God CH 465 Be Thou my Vision CH 127 O Worship the King, all glorious above

Followed by tea and coffee in the kirk hall

Morning Worship, Abbey Church 10.30am (to 11.30am) Organist - Robert Burgon

Scripture: Genesis 2:15-23, Luke 7:36 - Luke 8:3 read by Sheila Burgon

MP 41 At the name of Jesus
MP55 Beneath the Cross of Jesus
Offering Voluntary
Hymnus by John E West
MP708 To God be the Glory
MP 421 Like a River Glorious

Followed by tea and coffee in the kirk hall

Our Father, who art in heaven
hallowed be thy name,
Thy kingdom come.
Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, for ever. Amen

#### Church Diary

## Sunday 10th August 2025

9.30am Morning Service, Dirleton Kirk (led by Keith Stewart)

10.30am Morning Service, Abbey Church (led by Jackie Ley)

#### Next Sunday, 17th August 2025

9.30am Morning Service, Dirleton Kirk

10.30am Morning Service, Abbey Church

### Old Testament Reading: Genesis 2:15-23 (Abbey)

The Lord God took the man and put him in the Garden of Eden to work it and take care of it. And the Lord God commanded the man, "You are free to eat from any tree in the garden; but you must not eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, for when you eat from it you will certainly die."

The Lord God said, "It is not good for the man to be alone. I will make a helper suitable for him."

Now the Lord God had formed out of the ground all the beasts of the field and all the birds of the air. He brought them to the man to see what he would name them; and whatever the man called each living creature, that was its name. So the man gave names to all the livestock, the birds of the air and the beasts of the field.

But for Adam no suitable helper was found. So the Lord God caused the man to fall into a deep sleep; and while he was sleeping, he took one of the man's ribs and closed up the place with flesh. Then the Lord God made a woman from the rib he had taken out of the man, and he brought her to the man.

The man said, "This is now bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; she shall be called 'woman,' for she was taken out of man."

### New Testament Reading: Luke 7:36 - Luke 8:3 (Abbey)

Now one of the Pharisees invited Jesus to have dinner with him, so he went to the Pharisee's house and reclined at the table. When a woman who had lived a sinful life in that town learned that Jesus was eating at the Pharisee's house, she brought an alabaster jar of perfume. And as she stood behind him at his feet weeping, she began to wet his feet with her tears. Then she wiped them with her hair, kissed them and poured perfume on them.

When the Pharisee who had invited him saw this, he said to himself, "If this man were a prophet, he would know who is touching him and what kind of woman she is—that she is a sinner."

Jesus answered him, "Simon, I have something to tell you."

"Tell me, teacher," he said.

"Two men owed money to a certain moneylender. One owed him five hundred denarii, and the other fifty. Neither of them had the money to pay him back, so he cancelled the debts of both. Now which of them will love him more?"

Simon replied, "I suppose the one who had the bigger debt cancelled." "You have judged correctly," Jesus said.

Then he turned towards the woman and said to Simon, "Do you see this woman? I came into your house. You did not give me any water for my feet, but she wet my feet with her tears and wiped them with her hair. You did not give me a kiss, but this woman, from the time I entered, has not stopped kissing my feet. You did not put oil on my head, but she has poured perfume on my feet.

Therefore, I tell you, her many sins have been forgiven—for she loved much. But he who has been forgiven little loves little."

Then Jesus said to her, "Your sins are forgiven."

The other guests began to say among themselves, "Who is this who even forgives sins?"

Jesus said to the woman, "Your faith has saved you; go in peace."

After this, Jesus travelled about from one town and village to another, proclaiming the good news of the kingdom of God. The Twelve were with him, and also some women who had been cured of evil spirits and diseases: Mary (called Magdalene) from whom seven demons had come out; Joanna the wife of Chuza, the manager of Herod's household; Susanna; and many others. These women were helping to support them out of their own means.

#### New Testament Reading: Luke 15:1-10 (Dirleton)

Now the tax collectors and "sinners" were all gathering around to hear him. But the Pharisees and the teachers of the law muttered, "This man welcomes sinners and eats with them."

Then Jesus told them this parable: "Suppose one of you has a hundred sheep and loses one of them. Does he not leave the ninety-nine in the open country and go after the lost sheep until he finds it? And when he finds it, he joyfully puts it on his shoulders and goes home. Then he calls his friends and neighbours together and says, 'Rejoice with me; I have found my lost sheep.' I tell you that in the same way there will be more rejoicing in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who do not need to repent.

"Or suppose a woman has ten silver coins and loses one. Does she note light a lamp, sweep the house and search carefully until she finds it? And when she finds it, she calls her friends and neighbours together and says, 'Rejoice with me; I have found my lost coin.' In the same way, I tell you, there is rejoicing in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents."