

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



Services led by Jacqueline Waugh, Presbytery Reader
Pastoral Assistant: Robert Kane

Sunday, 19th October 2025

Today's Service Theme:
Persistence and Faith

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 \$\alpha\$892800

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# Morning Worship, Dirleton Kirk 9.30am (to 10.20am) Organist - Philip Boon

Scripture: Psalm 121 & Luke 17:1-8 read by Gordon Symon

CH4 132 Immortal Invisible God only wise CH4 530 One More step along the world I go CH4 737. Will your Anchor hold

Followed by tea and coffee in the kirk hall

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

Scripture: Psalm 121 & Luke 17:1-8 read by Sally Penman

MP 327 Immortal Invisible God only wise.

MP 499 O Happy Day

Offering Voluntary

Adagio by Cesar Franck

MP 604 Soldiers of Christ arise

MP 746 What a friend we have in Jesus

MP 770 Will your Anchor hold

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, 19th October 2025

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

#### Tuesday

2:00pm Tuesday Afternoon Group (TAG)

#### **Thursday**

10.00am Little Nippers, Abbey large hall

# Next Sunday, 26th October 2025

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

## Light lunch to mark Rev Dr David Graham's retirement

All members and friends of both Abbey Church and Dirleton Kirk are warmly invited to attend a light lunch (sandwiches, scones and cakes) to thank David and Mary Graham for their long and faithful ministry to our congregations and community.

This lunch will take place in the Abbey Church and Halls following the Abbey morning service on Sunday 26 October 2025 (the last service which David will conduct before retiring) and will commence with a short presentation in Abbey Church commencing at 11.30am.

### TAG "Life as an Army Chaplain" Rev. Geoff Berry

Tuesday Afternoon Group on Tuesday 21st at 2:00pm welcomes Rev. Geoff Berry who will explain what life has been like as an army chaplain for the last 15 years. TAG is for both men and women so feel free to come along to this and any other meeting you might fancy.

### Blythswood Shoebox Appeal

There is a box of knitted scarves and a box of spare items in front of the Communion Table at Abbey church. Please help yourself to anything you could use. The pick-up date for this year is 29 October, so we would welcome packed shoeboxes to be delivered to the church by Sunday 26 October.

#### Psalm 121

A song of ascents.

I lift up my eyes to the hills— where does my help come from? My help comes from the Lord, the Maker of heaven and earth.

He will not let your foot slip— he who watches over you will not slumber; indeed, he who watches over Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.

The Lord watches over you— the Lord is your shade at your right hand; the sun will not harm you by day, nor the moon by night.

The Lord will keep you from all harm— he will watch over your life; the Lord will watch over your coming and going both now and forevermore.

#### Luke 18:1-8

Then Jesus told his disciples a parable to show them that they should always pray and not give up. He said: "In a certain town there was a judge who neither feared God nor cared about men. And there was a widow in that town who kept coming to him with the plea, 'Grant me justice against my adversary.'

"For some time he refused. But finally he said to himself, 'Even though I don't fear God or care about men, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will see that she gets justice, so that she won't eventually wear me out with her coming!"

And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. And will not God bring about justice for his chosen ones, who cry out to him day and night? Will he keep putting them off? I tell you, he will see that they get justice, and quickly. However, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on the earth?"