

The Abbey Church of Scotland, North Berwick and Dirleton Kirk



Minister: Rev Dr David J Graham Pastoral Assistant: Robert Kane

Sunday, 20th April 2025

Today's Service Theme: Easter Sunday

8.00am Early Morning Easter Service, Elcho Green 9.30am Morning Worship, Dirleton Kirk 10.30am Morning Worship, Abbey Church

Welcome to all visitors today

Dirleton Kirk is step-free. Step-free access to Abbey is to the left

of the front door, via the glass entrance on Church Road

Abbey Church Office (serving Abbey and Dirleton) is open

10am - 1pm Tuesday and Friday, remote working Wednesday and Thursday

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Church Administrator: Darren Barber

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

Scripture: Luke 24:1-16 read by Keith Stewart

CH 410 Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia CH 417 Now the green blade rises CH 419 Thine be the glory

Followed by tea and coffee in the kirk hall

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

Scripture: Luke 24:1-16 read by Kate Campbell

MP 357 Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia
CH 415 This joyful Eastertide
Offering voluntary
Christ Triumphant by John Marsh
CH 417 Now the green blade rises
MP 689 Thine be the glory

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 20th April 2025 - Easter Sunday

- 8.00am Early Morning Easter Service Elcho Green
- 8.45am Easter Breakfast Abbey large hall
- 9.30am Morning Service, Dirleton Kirk
- 10.30am Morning Service, Abbey Church

Wednesday

10.00am Dirleton Prayer Meeting, Dirleton Kirk hall

Thursday

10.00am Little Nippers, Abbey large hall

Saturday

2:30pm Brownies Fundraising Afternoon Tea, Abbey Church

Next Sunday, 27th April

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

Opening and closing Abbey Church

Once again, we plan to open the doors of the church for visitors on weekdays during the summer months. If you are able to help by either opening (usually before 10am) and/or closing (usually after 4pm) please add your name to the rota which is on the table inside the front doors of the church.

Christian Aid Events

There are several Christian Aid events in our upcoming calendar, the details are a follows:

3rd May Quiz night

Abbey Church will be hosting the annual Christian Aid Quiz Evening on Saturday 3rd of May.

Teams can comprise up to 6 people and the price per table is £30. We regret we are unable to take individual bookings. To keep our costs down in order to maximise the funds going to Christian Aid please bring your own drinks and snacks this year. To reserve your table please pay your £30 at Abbey Church Office.

This is always a great evening and we look forward to seeing you there. Book early to avoid disappointment.

11th May - United Service North Berwick

This will take place at Dirleton Church on Sunday evening 11th May.

17th May - Coffee morning

Christian Aid Coffee Morning will take place in St Andrew Blackadder Church Hall on Saturday 17 May 10.00am- 12.00 noon. All welcome and entry is by donation.

17th May - St Giles Service

To commemorate 80 years of Christian Aid Scotland a service is being held in St Giles Cathedral Edinburgh on 17th May at 7pm. All are welcome.

There are also two further special services in Largo 11th May and Inverurie 13th May, both towns which share links with the Rev Douglas Lister, the Church of Scotland minister who first approached the churches about supporting European refugees after World War Two.

Reading: Luke 24:1-16

On the first day of the week, very early in the morning, the women took the spices they had prepared and went to the tomb. They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they entered, they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. While they were wondering about this, suddenly two men in clothes that gleamed like lightning stood beside them. In their fright the women bowed down with their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, 'Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here; he has risen! Remember how he told you, while he was still with you in Galilee: "The Son of Man must be delivered over to the hands of sinners, be crucified and on the third day be raised again." Then they remembered his words.

When they came back from the tomb, they told all these things to the Eleven and to all the others. It was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the others with them who told this to the apostles. But they did not believe the women, because their words seemed to them like nonsense. Peter, however, got up and ran to the tomb. Bending over, he saw the strips of linen lying by themselves, and he went away, wondering to himself what had happened.

Now that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem. They were talking with each other about everything that had happened. As they talked and discussed these things with each other, Jesus himself came up and walked along with them; but they were kept from recognising him.