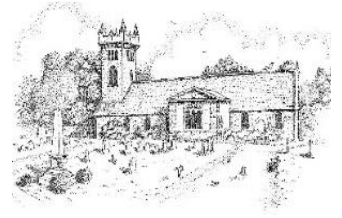




**The Abbey Church of
Scotland,
North Berwick
and Dirleton Kirk**



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

Sunday, 22nd June 2025

**Today's Service Theme:
God in charge: what is mystery?**

**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 - Philip Boon

Scripture: Romans 8:18-30 read by Alan Aitken

CH 147 All creatures of our God and king

GWA 209 We are called to welcome strangers

CH 519 Love divine

Followed by tea and coffee in the kirk hall

Morning Worship, Abbey Church

10.30am (to 11.30am)

Organist - Robert Burgon

Scripture: Romans 8:18-30 read by Sally Penman

MP 7 All creatures of our God and king

CH 144 I love the sun

Offering Voluntary

Aria by Noel Rawsthorne

GWA 209 We are called to welcome strangers

MP 449 Love divine

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 22nd June 2025

9.30am Morning Service, Dirleton Kirk

10.30am Morning Service, Abbey Church

Thursday

10.00am Little Nippers, Abbey large hall

Next Sunday, 29th June

9.30am Morning Service, Dirleton Kirk

10.30am Morning Service, Abbey Church

Opening and closing Abbey Church

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.

World Church Committee

The World Church Committee are meeting on the 27th of June at noon. If you are interested in joining the committee or would like to get involved with our work, please speak to Judy Lockhart-Hunter and you will be welcome to come along.

Ageing Well East Lothian Walking Programme - Call for Volunteers

Ageing Well are looking for some volunteers to become trained walk leaders to assist with their Walking programme in East Lothian. For further details please contact Parvine Woodger, the Ageing Well Coordinator on 07718 117585 or pwoodger@eastlothian.gov.uk

Little Nippers Pram service - 26th June 2025

Catherine Mundell will be leading a Pram service for the Little Nippers in the large hall of the Abbey Church on the 26th June. There will be songs and certificates for those who are moving on to school / nursery next year together with little gifts for all the children ahead of the summer break.

Reading: Romans 8:18-30

I consider that our present sufferings are not worth comparing with the glory that will be revealed in us. For the creation waits in eager expectation for the children of God to be revealed. For the creation was subjected to frustration, not by its own choice, but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be liberated from its bondage to decay and brought into the freedom and glory of the children of God.

We know that the whole creation has been groaning as in the pains of childbirth right up to the present time. Not only so, but we ourselves, who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for our adoption to sonship, the redemption of our bodies. For in this hope we were saved. But hope that is seen is no hope at all. Who hopes for what they already have? But if we hope for what we do not yet have, we wait for it patiently.

In the same way, the Spirit helps us in our weakness. We do not know what we ought to pray for, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us through wordless groans. And he who searches our hearts knows the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for God's people in accordance with the will of God.

And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose. For those God foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brothers and sisters. And those he predestined, he also called; those he called, he also justified; those he justified, he also glorified.