



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



**Interim Moderator: Revd Dr Jock Stein
Locum Minister: Revd Geoff Berry**

Sunday, 24th May 2026

Today's Service Theme

**Dirleton Kirk: Pentecost, Leadership and the Faithfulness of God
Abbey Church: Sealed in Him**

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

Welcome to all visitors today

To use the loop system, set hearing aids at 'T'

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 to Friday: Church Office ☎892800
Website: abbeychurch.org.uk
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Church Administrator: Darren Barber

Morning Worship, Dirleton Kirk

9.30am (to 10.20am)

Organist - Nancy Hughes

Scripture: John 7: 37-39 and 1 Thess 5: 12-24 read by Gordon Symon

CH4 582 O Day of joy and wonder

CH4 589 Breath of Heaven (omit verses 2 and 5)

CH4 526 This is a day of new beginnings

Followed by tea and coffee in the kirk hall

Morning Worship, Abbey Church

10.30am (to 11.30am)

Organist - Marion Goodfellow

Scripture: John 17:1-11 read by Andrew Cobb

MP 115 - Do not be afraid

MP 225 - He's got the whole world

Offering Voluntary

Holy Spirit by Katie and Bryan Torwalt

MP 37 - As the deer

MP 109 - Crown Him with many crowns

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, 24th May 2026

9.30am Morning Service including the Ordination of Elders, Dirleton Kirk

10.30am Morning Service, Abbey Church

10:45am Little Lights, Abbey Church

Wednesday

10:00am Prayer Service, Dirleton Kirk Hall

Thursday

10:00am Little Nippers, Abbey Church

Next Sunday, 31st May 2026

9.30am Morning Service, Dirleton Kirk

10.30am Morning Service, Abbey Church

10:45am Little Lights, Abbey Church

Ordination of Elders - Dirleton Kirk

Notice is hereby given of the intention to ordain Elaine Carlyle, Margaret McPhail, Aidan Stokes and Gordon Symon, and admit Sandy Bone, Ian Lennox and John Lindsay as ruling elders in this congregation of Dirleton, on Sunday 24th May at morning worship. If any member of the congregation has any objection to the life or doctrine of any of these people, they should attend a meeting of the Kirk Session at 9.15am on 24th May and be prepared to substantiate their objection. By order of the Kirk Session, Keith Stewart, clerk.

Bethany Care Van

Abbey are making 70 rounds of sandwiches for homeless people for the Bethany Care Van on Sunday 14th June. If anyone would like to give a small donation or gift toiletries, new socks, or underwear. Please give to Dorothy or hand into the Church office.

Office Holiday Closure

The Church office will be closed the 1st to 5th of June. For non-pastoral emergencies during that time please call 079550 156990

John 17:1-11

After Jesus said this, he looked towards heaven and prayed:

'Father, the time has come. Glorify your Son, that your Son may glorify you. For you granted him authority over all people that he might give eternal life to all those you have given him. Now this is eternal life: that they know you, the

only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent. I have brought you glory on earth by completing the work you gave me to do. And now, Father, glorify me in your presence with the glory I had with you before the world began.

'I have revealed you to those whom you gave me out of the world. They were yours; you gave them to me and they have obeyed your word. Now they know that everything you have given me comes from you. For I gave them the words you gave me and they accepted them. They knew with certainty that I came from you, and they believed that you sent me. I pray for them. I am not praying for the world, but for those you have given me, for they are yours. All I have is yours, and all you have is mine. And glory has come to me through them. I will remain in the world no longer, but they are still in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them by the power of your name - the name you gave me - so that they may be one as we are one.

John 7: 37-39

On the last and greatest day of the feast, Jesus stood and said in a loud voice, 'If anyone is thirsty, let him come to me and drink. Whoever believes in me, as Scripture has said, streams of living water will flow from within him.' By this he meant the Spirit, whom those who believed in him were later to receive. Up to that time the Spirit had not been given, since Jesus had not yet been glorified.

1 Thessalonians 5: 12-24

Now we ask you, brothers, to respect those who work hard among you, who are over you in the Lord and who admonish you. Hold them in the highest regard in love because of their work. Live in peace with each other. And we urge you, brothers, warn those who are idle, encourage the timid, help the weak, be patient with everyone. Make sure that nobody pays back wrong for wrong, but always try to be kind to each other and to everyone else.

Be joyful always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.

Do not put out the Spirit's fire, do not treat prophecies with contempt. Test everything. Hold on to the good, Avoid every kind of evil.

May God himself, the God of peace, sanctify you through and through. May your whole spirit, soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. The one who calls you is faithful, and he will do it.