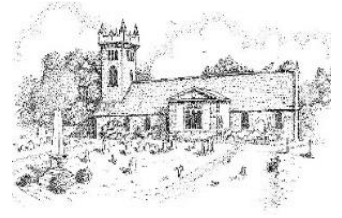




**The Abbey Church of
Scotland,
North Berwick
and Dirleton Kirk**



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

Sunday, 13th July 2025

**Today's Service Theme:
Living on love: what is community?**

**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
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Church Administrator: Darren Barber**

Morning Worship, Dirleton Kirk

9.30am (to 10.20am)

Organist - Marion Goodfellow

Scripture: Romans 13:8-10; 14:9-23 read by David Kirkpatrick

CH 137 All things bright and beautiful

CH 260 Eternal Father, strong to save (alternative version)

CH 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: Romans 13:8-10; 14:9-23 read by Isabel Smith

MP 23 All things bright and beautiful

MP 1346 One more step along the world I go

Offering Voluntary

Variation on "Be Still and Know" by Andrew Moore

MP 122 Eternal Father, strong to save

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 13th July 2025

9.30am Morning Service, Dirleton Kirk

10.30am Morning Service, Abbey Church

Next Sunday, 20th July

9.30am Morning Service, Dirleton Kirk

10.30am Morning Service, Abbey Church

6.00pm Holiday Club Commissioning 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.

Blythswood Shoebox Appeal

It's officially Scottish summer time! If you have treated yourself to a new pair of wellies, ahem, I mean sandals, you might be wondering what to do with the shoebox? The solution has arrived! Please donate your empty shoeboxes for the Appeal! Either drop them into the office or leave them at the front of the church, open most days. For more information about the Appeal, please speak to Ewan Livingston. Thank you - Judy Lockhart-Hunter

Scripture Union Summer Holiday Club

Next Sunday evening (20th) at 6pm in Abbey there will be a Commissioning Service for the Scripture Union Summer Holiday Club- all welcome.

Reading: Romans 13:8-10; 14:9-23

Let no debt remain outstanding, except the continuing debt to love one another, for whoever loves others has fulfilled the law. The commandments, 'You shall not commit adultery,' 'You shall not murder,' 'You shall not steal,' 'You shall not covet,' and whatever other command there may be, are summed up in this one command: 'Love your neighbour as yourself.' Love does no harm to a neighbour. Therefore love is the fulfilment of the law.

For this very reason, Christ died and returned to life so that he might be the Lord of both the dead and the living.

You, then, why do you judge your brother or sister? Or why do you treat them with contempt? For we will all stand before God's judgment seat. It is written:

"As surely as I live," says the Lord,
"Every knee will bow before me;
every tongue will acknowledge God."

So then each of us will give an account of ourselves to God.

Therefore let us stop passing judgment on one another. Instead, make up your mind not to put any stumbling-block or obstacle in the way of a brother or sister. I am convinced, being fully persuaded in the Lord Jesus, that nothing is unclean in itself. But if anyone regards something as unclean, then for that person it is unclean. If your brother or sister is distressed because of what you eat, you are no longer acting in love. Do not by your eating destroy someone for whom Christ died. Therefore do not let what you know is good be spoken of as evil. For the kingdom of God is not a matter of eating and drinking, but of righteousness, peace and joy in the Holy Spirit, because anyone who serves Christ in this way is pleasing to God and receives human approval.

Let us therefore make every effort to do what leads to peace and to mutual edification. Do not destroy the work of God for the sake of food. All food is clean, but it is wrong for a person to eat anything that causes someone else to stumble. It is better not to eat meat or drink wine or to do anything else that will cause your brother or sister to fall.

So whatever you believe about these things keep between yourself and God. Blessed is the one who does not condemn himself by what he approves. But whoever has doubts is condemned if they eat, because their eating is not from faith; and everything that does not come from faith is sin.