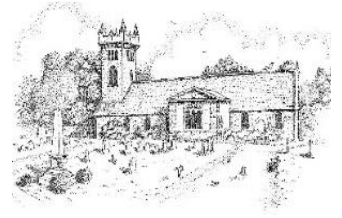




**The Abbey Church of
Scotland,
North Berwick
and Dirleton Kirk**



**Services led by Rev Geoff Berry
Pastoral Assistant: Robert Kane**

Sunday, 9th November 2025

**Today's Service Theme:
Remembrance Sunday**

**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) followed by the War Memorial at 10.45am

Organist - Nancy Hughes

Scripture: Romans 8:28-39 read by Elaine Carlyle

CH4 153 Great is Thy faithfulness

CH4 550 As the deer

CH4 167 Guide me o Thou great Jehovah

National Anthem (1 Verse)

Followed by tea and coffee in the kirk hall

Morning Worship, Abbey Church

10.30am (to 11.30am) followed by the War Memorial at 12 noon

Organist - Robert Burgon

Scripture: Romans 8:28-39 read by Isabel Smith

MP 200 Great is Thy faithfulness

MP 37 As the deer

Offering Voluntary

Variation on "Dominus Regit Me" by Andrew Gant

CH4 704 I vow to thee my country

MP 201 Guide me o Thou great Jehovah

National Anthem (1 Verse)

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, 9th November 2025

9.30am Dirleton Service followed by the War Memorial at 10.45am

10.30am Abbey Service followed by the War Memorial at 12 noon

Thursday

10.00am Little Nippers, Abbey large hall

Next Sunday, 16th November 2025

Our services on 16 November 2025 will be conducted by Mr Tim Greene, a Presbytery Reader based in Dunbar.

9.30am Morning Service, Dirleton Kirk

10.30am Morning Service, Abbey Church

Remembrance Day Services - 9th November 2025

Today's services will be conducted by Rev Geoff Berry (who recently retired as an Army Chaplain). There will be a retiring collection after the services on Remembrance Sunday in Dirleton and Abbey for Poppy Scotland.

Electoral Register

As our congregations have now become vacant, and plans are being made for the selection of a new Minister, we must prepare an Electoral Register of people who will be entitled to vote on matters including the selection of a Nominating Committee and the appointment of a Minister.

Those on the Dirleton and Abbey congregational rolls will be automatically placed on the Electoral Register.

If you worship with us regularly, are a member of another congregation, and wish to participate in the election of a new Minister, you are invited to hand a valid Certificate of Transference to one of the Session Clerks before 30 November 2025. If you are not a member of another congregation and wish to participate in the election process, your name can be added to the Register as an adherent. In those circumstances, please complete one of the forms which will be available in church until 30 November 2025, when the Kirk Sessions will meet to make up the Electoral Register.

Anyone who wishes to discuss this should speak to either Keith Stewart (Dirleton) or Robert Burgon (Abbey).

Bethany Lunchtime Care Van

The World Church Committee seeks Abbey and Dirleton volunteers to help feed homeless and vulnerable people in Edinburgh, in partnership with North Berwick Christian Fellowship, Bethany Christian Trust, and Edinburgh City Mission.

Volunteers can drive the care van (under 70), prepare or serve food, stock, or clean the van. NBCF runs the van one Monday a month, with regular or occasional help welcome.

Serving up to 70 people, the van leaves NB/Dirleton at 10:30 am and returns around 4 pm. Volunteers should communicate well, work calmly in a team, and respect Bethany's Christian ethos. To get involved, contact Ken Gordon or Judy Lockhart-Hunter at Abbey Church or email abbeychurch@abbeychurch.co.uk

Romans 8:28-39

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 likeness of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brothers. And those he predestined, he also called; those he called, he also justified; those he justified, he also glorified.

What, then, shall we say in response to this? If God is for us, who can be against us? He who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all—how will he not also, along with him, graciously give us all things? Who will bring any charge against those whom God has chosen? It is God who justifies. Who is he that condemns? Christ Jesus, who died—more than that, who was raised to life—is at the right hand of God and is also interceding for us. Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall trouble or hardship or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword? As it is written:

"For your sake we face death all day long; we are considered as sheep to be slaughtered."

No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.