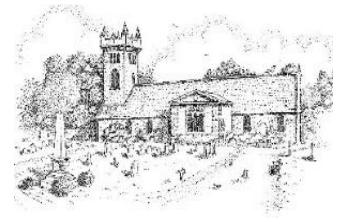




**The Abbey Church of
Scotland,
North Berwick
and Dirleton Kirk**



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

Sunday, 21st April 2024

**Today's Service Theme:
Thanks to the Church**

**9.30 Morning Worship, Dirleton Kirk
10.30 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 and Friday, remote working Wednesday and Thursday
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Church Administrator: Paola Burrows

Morning Worship, Dirleton Kirk

9.30am (to 10.20am)

Organist - Jim Dickson

Scripture: Acts 17:1-9; 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10 read by Ian Lennock

CH 154 O Lord my God, how great Thou art

CH 600 Spirit of God, unseen as the wind

CH 153 Great is Thy faithfulness

Followed by tea and coffee in the kirk hall

Morning Worship, Abbey Church

10.30am (to 11.30am)

Organist - Kirsten Swindells

Scripture: Acts 17:1-9; 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10 read by Andrew Cobb

MP 506 O Lord my God, how great Thou art

MP 954 We are marching in the light of God

MP 1351 Spirit of God, unseen as the wind

MP 200 Great is Thy faithfulness

Followed by tea and coffee in the small 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 21st April

9.30am Sunday service, Dirleton Kirk

10.30am Sunday service, Abbey Church

5.30pm Zoom Prayer Meeting

Wednesday

10.00am Dirleton Prayer and Coffee Service, Dirleton Kirk hall

Thursday

10.00am Little Nippers, Abbey large hall

Friday

Church Office closed today

Saturday

7.30pm Opera East Lothian, Abbey Church

Next Sunday 28th April

Service Theme - Where is Love?

Opening and closing Abbey Church

Volunteers are required to join a rota for opening and closing Abbey Church over the coming months. If you are able to help, please add your name to the list which is on the table at the front of the church.

Concert in Abbey Church

On the 27th April Opera East Lothian will be presenting 'A Monastery Garden' including the Fauré Requiem, at 7.30pm.

Reading: Acts 17:1-9; 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

When Paul and his companions had passed through Amphipolis and Apollonia, they came to Thessalonica, where there was a Jewish synagogue. As was his custom, Paul went into the synagogue, and on three Sabbath days he reasoned with them from the Scriptures, explaining and proving that the Messiah had to suffer and rise from the dead. 'This Jesus I am proclaiming to you is the Messiah,' he said. Some of the Jews were persuaded and joined Paul and Silas, as did a large number of God-fearing Greeks and quite a few prominent women.

But other Jews were jealous; so they rounded up some bad characters from the market-place, formed a mob and started a riot in the city. They rushed to Jason's house in search of Paul and Silas in order to bring them out to the crowd. But when they did not find them, they dragged Jason and some other believers before the city officials, shouting: 'These men who have caused trouble all over the world have now come here, and Jason has welcomed them into his house. They are all defying Caesar's

decrees, saying that there is another king, one called Jesus.' When they heard this, the crowd and the city officials were thrown into turmoil. Then they put Jason and the others on bail and let them go.

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Paul, Silas and Timothy,

To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ:
Grace and peace to you.

We always thank God for all of you and continually mention you in our prayers. We remember before our God and Father your work produced by faith, your labour prompted by love, and your endurance inspired by hope in our Lord Jesus Christ.

For we know, brothers and sisters loved by God, that he has chosen you, because our gospel came to you not simply with words but also with power, with the Holy Spirit and deep conviction. You know how we lived among you for your sake. You became imitators of us and of the Lord, for you welcomed the message in the midst of severe suffering with the joy given by the Holy Spirit. And so you became a model to all the believers in Macedonia and Achaia. The Lord's message rang out from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia - your faith in God has become known everywhere. Therefore we do not need to say anything about it, for they themselves report what kind of reception you gave us. They tell how you turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God, and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead - Jesus, who rescues us from the coming wrath.

MP 954
We are marching in the light of God

We are marching in the light of God,
We are marching in the light of God,
We are marching in the light of God,
We are marching in the light of God
(the light of God)!

We are marching (marching,
We are marching, marching,) - Oh,
We are marching in the light of God.
(the light of God)!

We are marching (marching,
We are marching, marching,) - Oh,
We are marching in the light of God!

We are living in the love of God.....

We are moving in the power of God.....

M Praise 1351
Spirit of God

*Spirit of God, unseen as the wind,
gentle as is the dove;
teach us the truth and help us believe,
show us the Saviour's love!*

You spoke to us - long, long ago -
gave us the written word;
we read it still, needing its truth,
through it God's voice is heard.

Spirit of God.....

Without your help, we fail our Lord,
we cannot live His way;
we need Your power, we need Your strength,
following Christ each day.

Spirit of God.....