



THE ABBEY CHURCH OF DUNFERMLINE

NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY
SUNDAY 26TH OCTOBER 2025 • 10.30AM

REFORMATION SUNDAY

**LAUNCH OF THE DEVELOPMENT PLAN 2025-2028 &
ORDINATION OF NEW ELDER & RENEWAL OF ELDERS' VOWS**

Founded in God's love. Serving at the heart of Dunfermline. Welcoming friend and stranger in worship and community.

Welcome to the Abbey Church of Dunfermline

We are pleased that you have joined us for worship either in the church building or in your own space.

- A card reader is available at the North Door for those who wish to donate by card.
- The service is streamed on YouTube. Please be aware that you may be caught on camera, although both cameras are focussed on the minister, choir, or reader, and those who are taking part in the service.
- Wherever there is **Bold print**, please be **Bold** and join in.

Preparation for Worship

We were part of a community of people seeking connection to the great mystery, hoping for change and transformation through walking and sharing a journey that may have begun in the ninth century, when the Bishop of Le Puy-en-Velay set off to Santiago.

Richard Frazer, Travels With a Stick: A Pilgrim's Journey to Santiago de Compostela

Order of Worship

Prelude	Prelude in E flat major BWV552a	<i>JS Bach</i>
Introit	A Morning Hymn	<i>German, arr Elizabeth Poston</i>

Call to Worship

Come, people of God,
to this place of prayer and purpose.
We gather not for ourselves alone,
but to seek God's vision for this Abbey Church.
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Hymn No 52 (Harrinton/Retirement)

“How lovely is thy dwelling-place”

Opening Prayer & The Lord’s Prayer

**Our Father, which 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,
the power and the glory,
for ever. Amen.**

A reading from the Old Testament

Joel 2: 23-32
p861 (OT)

Anthem

A Clare Benediction

John Rutter

A reading from the Gospels

Luke 18: 9-14
p78 (NT)

Reflection

Hymn No 257 (Vienen Com Alegria) *“Singing, we gladly worship the Lord together”*

Launch of the Development Plan

Congregational Response

Do you, the congregation of the Abbey Church of Dunfermline,
commit yourselves to pray for, support, and participate
in the mission and ministry expressed in this plan?
With God’s help, we do.

Prayer of Dedication

God of vision and vitality,
bless the work we set before you.
May each plan and purpose
be shaped by your Spirit and rooted in your love.
Build us into a people of hope and welcome -
a community that reflects the light of Christ
in the heart of this city. Amen.

Hymn No 623 (Gather us in)

*“Here in this place new light is streaming”
(Omit verse 3)*

The Ordination and Admission of a new Elder and Renewal of Eldership Promises

There are different gifts,

but it is the same Spirit who gives them.

There are different ways of serving God,

but it is the same Lord who is served.

God works through different people in different ways,

**but it is the same God who achieves his purpose
through them all.**

Each one is given a gift by the Spirit,

to use it for the common good.

Offering and Dedication

Offertory

Prelude on “Slane”

Zsolt Gárdonyi

This time offers a moment to reflect on the readings we have heard, but also the use of our gifts of time, talent and money in the world. The contactless giving was available on entry into the church, and for those who still wish to donate the offertory bags will be passed amongst the congregation. Donations can also be made on our website donation page, https://dunfermlineabbey.com/www/?page_id=10345. Or you can simply use your mobile and text LNBW01 to 70970 to give £5.

Prayers of the People

Hymn No 465 (Slane)

“Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart”

Benediction & Choral Amen

Organ Postlude

Fugue in E flat BWV 552b

Bach

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Intimations

Services This Week:

Wednesday 29th October

12.15pm Midweek Prayer

Sunday 2nd November

10.30am Morning Worship

Minister's Day Off:

Monday

The **Church Office** is open on 9.30am – 11.30am on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Leeza Clark can be contacted either by phone, 01383 723005, or by email, dunfermline.abbey.church@gmail.com

The next **Heart for Art** run by CrossReach session is tomorrow, Monday 27th October. It also offers the Playlist for Life Help Point from 10.30am to 12.30pm.

The Men's Walking Group meets on Tuesday 28th October at 10.30am. For details of the walk, please contact dunfermlineabbeymwg@gmail.com or 01383 727311.

Bereavement Support Group meets on Thursday 30th October from 11am to 12.30pm in the church hall. The group is open to anyone who has been bereaved, whether or not they are a member of the church. It offers an opportunity for mutual support over a cup of tea or coffee.

The **Lantern Procession** takes place on Friday 14th November at 6pm -8pm. Those who want to book a space to participate should follow the link www.trybooking.com/uk/FMID. If you would like to volunteer to support the evening please contact MaryAnn.

This year's **St Andrew's Day Lecture** is on Sunday 30th November at 2pm in the church. The speaker is Professor Dauvit Broun, who will be speaking about St Andrews and the Scottish Church. Tickets are £10 and can be purchased at church on a Sunday, from the church office or at www.trybooking.com/uk/FJBK

The annual **Jar of Compassion Appeal** has launched. We invite everyone to consider placing a coin in a jar each day until the end of January in thanksgiving for the food we eat. All money raised will be shared between ActionAid, who manage our sponsorship of Ibrahim (11) in Sierra Leone, and the charity UNICEF. We appreciate that you may prefer to donate via cheque or directly into the Abbey bank account in January. Details on how to do this will appear in the December & January Arrow.

The 4th Dunfermline (Abbey) Co Boys' Brigade with Girls Association will deliver Christmas cards for members of the congregation again this year to raise funds for the Company. This is a large undertaking for the company and we are always on the lookout for volunteers to take on a small area to deliver cards. If you would like to volunteer to help us cover an area please let Ian Vernon know by emailing directly to ian.vernon23@gmail.com. Any questions please don't hesitate to contact Richard Maguire, Daniel Malcolm, Ryan Watson and Ian Vernon

We will be delivering cards to Dunfermline, Crossgates, Townhill, Kingseat, Limekilns & Charlestown, Cairneyhill, Crossford, Wellwood and Dalgety Bay at the cost of 50p per card. Cards will be collected and sorted for delivery in the weeks leading up to 14th December, with the final sort taking place on the 14th to allow cards to be delivered before Christmas.

Intimations and church notices should be with in the office account by 9.30am on Wednesday.

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