



THE ABBEY CHURCH OF DUNFERMLINE

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EASTER

SUNDAY 12TH APRIL 2026 • 10.30AM

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.

- An offertory plate was available on entry to worship this morning, along with the contactless giving terminal. Donations can also be made on our website donation page, https://dunfermlineabbey.com/wwp/?page_id=10345. Or you can simply use your mobile and text LNBW01 to 70970 to give £5.
- The service is streamed YouTube. Please be aware that you may be caught on camera, although they 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

The meaning of *believe* prior to about 1600 includes more. It comes from the Old English *be loef*, which means “to hold dear.” The similarity to the modern English word *belove* is obvious. To *believe* meant not only confidence and trust in a person, but also to hold that person dear – to *belove* that person. *Believing* and *beloving* were synonyms.

Marcus Borg, *Speaking Christian*

Order of Worship

Prelude Chorale Preludes on “Christ lag in Todesbanden”
J Walther, FW Zachau and JS Bach

Introit This joyful Eastertide *trad Dutch carol arr C Wood*

Call to Worship

Come and seek refuge in God,

for God is good and hold us safe.

Come, delight in God’s presence.

God provides for all our needs.

Come, worship the One who is with us both day and night.

Our hearts are glad, and we sing our praise.

Hymn No 412 (Vulpinus) *“The strife is o’er, the battle done”*

Welcome & Intimations

Prayers of Approach and Confession

God of mercy, God of love,

in humbleness of heart

we confess our sins.

We forget to love and serve you,
and wander from your ways.

We are careless of your world,
and put its life in danger.

We talk of our concern for others,
but fail to match our words with action.

silence

Lord have mercy.

Christ have mercy.

Lord have mercy.

Words of Assurance

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.

Time to Talk

Hymn No 404 (Lord of the Dance)

“I danced in the morning when the world was begun”

A reading from the New Testament

1 Peter 1: 3-9
p229 (NT Section)

Anthem

Since by man came death

GF Handel

A reading from the Gospels

John 20: 19-31
p112 (NT Section)

Hymn No 417 (Noël Nouvelet)

“Now the green blade riseth”

Sermon

Music for Reflection

Prelude on “Vulpus”

Healey Willan

Prayers of the People

Hymn No 416 (Clarendonian)

“Christ is alive! Let Christians sing”

Benediction & Choral Amen

Organ Postlude

Chorale Fantasie on “Lasst uns erfreuen”

Flor Peeters

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Intimations

Services Next Week:

Wednesday 15th April 12.15pm Midweek Prayers

Sunday 19th April 10.30am Morning Worship

Minister's Day Off: Tuesday 14th April

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 13th April. It offers the Playlist for Life Help Point from 10.30am to 12.30pm as part of its support for people with dementia and their carers.

The **Abbey Men's Walking Group** will next meet on Tuesday 14th April at 10.30 am (starting from the top of the steps at the West Door of the Abbey). Further information can be obtained by email from dunfermlineabbeymwg@gmail.com.

The **Men's Club** will meet at 9.30am on Wednesday 15th April in the Church Halls. All are welcome.

Ladies Forum will meet on Wednesday 15th April at 2pm in the Church Halls when guest speaker Sharron McColl will talk about women's influence on the English language.

The deadline for submissions to May's edition of **The Arrow** is 9.30am on Friday 17th April. As always, early submissions would be greatly appreciated.

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

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