



THE ABBEY CHURCH OF DUNFERMLINE

TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SUNDAY 2ND AUGUST 2026 • 10.30AM

DREAMS AND VISIONS – WEEK 3

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/www/?page_id=10345. Or you can simply use your mobile and text LNBW01 to 70970 to give £5.
- The service is streamed on 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.
- The Wriggly Table, for those who like to do while they listen, is on the south side of the church. There are usually craft activities, puzzle sheets, books and toys for smaller people.
- Wherever there is **Bold print**, please be **Bold** and join in.

Preparation for Worship

“Being one body isn’t just a matter of ignoring differences, allowing tolerance to break out, and dimming the lights to a point where all the rabbits are grey. What saves the rabbits of *Watership Down* is their willingness and commitment, at crucial moments in the narrative, to listen to one another, to hear each other out when they have stories or worries or misgivings or hopes. Out of these curious memories and visions come the gifts that make the group of rabbits so resilient and so adaptable. Being part of one body means taking the time to listen to one another’s stories, stories of why one group felt it needed to break away and how another group came to be pushed out, stories of how one group came to regard as central an issue most others regard as peripheral, of how so many have felt that unity and truth were separable and that they could somehow make it on their own.

Samuel Wells, *A Future that Bigger than the Past: Catalysing Kingdom Communities*

Order of Worship

Prelude Adagio (3rd movement) from Symphony No 2
Rachmaninov

Introit Oculi omnium *C Wood*

Call to Worship Isaiah 6: 1-8

God's mercy reaches beyond every border,
and Christ gathers strangers into neighbours.
The Spirit blows where it will,
surprising us, challenging us, inviting us.
Let us worship God
whose love is always wider than we imagined.

Hymn No 624 (St Stephen/Newington) *"In Christ there is no east or west"*

Welcome and Intimations

Prayer of Approach

Time to Talk

Hymn No 619 & 620 *"Spirit of the living God"*

Dramatic Reading Acts 10: 9-16

Silence

Anthem Jesu, Joy of man's desiring (from Cantata BWV 147)
JS Bach

Prayer of Confession

Have mercy on us, O God,
according to your steadfast love;
according to your abundant mercy
blot out our transgressions.
**In your abundant love and mercy,
forgive us, O God.**

For we know our transgressions,
and our sin is ever before us.
**In your abundant love and mercy,
forgive us, O God.**

Against you, you alone, have we sinned,
and done what is evil in your sight.
In your abundant love and mercy,

forgive us, O God.

Create in us a clean heart, O God!

Place a new and right spirit within us!

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Book of Common Worship, PCUSA

A reading from the New Testament

Acts 10: 44-48

p126 (NT Section)

Hymn No 719 (Third Melody)

“The One who longs to make us whole”

Sermon

Music for Reflection Chorale Prelude “Liebster Jesu” BWV 731

JS Bach

During which the Offering is brought to the Communion Table

Prayers of the People

God of every nation

Lead us beyond our boundaries.

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.**

Hymn No 248 (Bishopgarth)

“For my sake and the gospel’s, go”

Sending

Go into the world, expecting to discover that God is already there.

We will follow where the Spirit leads.

Go in peace, to love, to welcome, and to serve.

Benediction & Choral Amen

Organ Postlude

Fantasia in C minor BWV 562

JS Bach

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Intimations

Next Week:

Sunday 9th August 10.30am Morning Worship

Minister's Day Off: Thursday

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

The next **Heart for Art** run by CrossReach session is tomorrow, Monday 3rd August. It also offers the Playlist for Life Help Point from 10.30am to 12.30pm.

The **Men's Club** will meet at 9.30am on Wednesday 5th August in the Church Halls for the last of their summer gatherings. All are welcome.

The **Soup@12** team returns on Thursday 6th August from 12noon to 1.30pm in the Church Halls. Tasty homemade soup, crusty bread, a biscuit, tea and coffee are on offer for £4.

The **HQ Past-Port** is back. This summer participants can explore the colour of the seasons. Partners include Historic Scotland, the Andrew Carnegie Birthplace Museum, and Dunfermline Carnegie Library and Galleries.

Today is the last day to let Fergus Duncan know if you want to join in the annual **Abbey Quaich** golf tournament on Thursday 13th August at Canmore golf club. It includes a round of golf followed by a two-course dinner. It is a Stableford competition. This year the invitation has been extended to lady golfers. The cost is around £35. Please contact him on fid@tighnacaille.co.uk or 07768 873550 as he has to finalise numbers.

The Summer Concerts return on Saturday 15th August at 12noon when the vocal ensemble, Laurentum, will be performing. Matthew Beetschen will perform on Saturday 22nd August, and William Campbell on 29th August. Quais' Étoiles will offer their final twinkle on Sunday 6th September at 4pm. Admission to all concerts is free, with the hope of generous donations to support church funds.

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

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