



THE ABBEY CHURCH OF DUNFERMLINE

THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

SUNDAY 23RD MARCH 2025 • 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.

- 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

The point of blessing – in Genesis, in Jesus, and today – is that we should become people through whom others find well-being, peace, and joy.

Samuel Wells, Be Not Afraid: Facing Fear with Faith, p19.

Order of Worship

Prelude	Forbar Dig	<i>Rued Langgaard</i>
Introit	Adoramus te, Christe	<i>Lassus</i>

Call to Worship

Come, if you are thirsty,
come, when your pockets are empty,
come, hear what is good and delight in God.

God's eternal promise is to be faithful to God's creation.

Seek God and find that God is near,
merciful to all who turn their lives to walk with God.

God's compassion for creation reaches beyond our understanding.

Hymn No 43 (Resignation)

"Oh God, you are my God alone"

Welcome & Intimations

Prayer of Approach

Prayer of Confession *which includes singing Hymn No 777 “Kyrie Eleison”*

Words of Assurance

Time to Talk

Hymn No 801

*“Ubi caritas”
(sung twice)*

A reading from the New Testament

1 Corinthians 10: 1-13
p168 (NT Section)

Anthem

Jesu, grant me this I pray

Gibbons/Bairstow

A reading from the Gospels

Luke 13: 1-9
p73 (NT Section)

Hymn No 540 (Kingsfold)

“I heard the voice of Jesus say”

Sermon

Offering and Dedication

Offertory

Idylle Mélancholique

Vierne

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

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 129 (Church Triumphant)

“The Lord is King! lift up your voice!”

Benediction

Choral Amen

Organ Postlude

Thema met Variaties

Hendrik Andriessen

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Intimations

Services This Week:

Sunday 30th March

10.30am Morning Worship

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

‘Dunfermline Abbey: More than a Building’ opened on Saturday 22nd March in the Community Gallery of Dunfermline Carnegie Library and Gallery. It is a curated exhibition which tells the story of the church’s past, present and future and is open every day until 5th April. Congregation members are encouraged to pop in and have a look, and to tell friends and neighbours. A community consultation takes place in the church on Friday 5th April 10.30am-12.30pm. While it is not essential to register for this, an indication of numbers would be helpful and those who can register using TryBooking should visit, www.trybooking.com/uk/ELUL.

This year’s **Lent Study Group** continues in the Session Room in the church hall at 6 Abbey Park Place on Mondays 24th, 31st March and 7th and 14th April at 7pm. This week we will be exploring Fasting, with the following weeks encountering Solitude, Temptation and Preparation. All reading material is provided prior to each group meeting, and those who would like to attend are free to attend all five sessions or come to those that interest them most.

Labour of Love: The group meets from 2pm to 3.30pm on Wednesday 26th March in the church halls. All are welcome.

The Bereavement Group next meets on Thursday 27th March in the church hall. The group offers mutual support over tea and coffee and is open to anyone who has been bereaved.

The next **Kirk Session** meeting will be on Thursday 27th March from 7.30pm and 9pm in the church halls.

Abbey Kids offers messy arts and crafts for children and parents to enjoy from 4pm to 5.30pm in the church halls on Fridays. To book visit <https://bit.ly/AbbeyKids> or for information email Matt at cyf.dunfermline.abbey.church@gmail.com.

