

Boone UMC &
Rumple Memorial Presbyterian

PRESENT A PILGRIMAGE TO

Northern England & Southern Scotland



EXPLORING THE ROOTS OF
CELTIC CHRISTIANITY

Sept. 29–Oct. 10, 2027



A PILGRIMAGE

In the Footsteps of the Celtic Saints



A 12-DAY JOURNEY THROUGH NORTHERN ENGLAND AND SOUTHERN SCOTLAND

Join Boone United Methodist Church and Rumble Memorial Presbyterian Church for a journey to explore the places, people, and traditions that helped shape Celtic Christianity. Together we will worship in ancient sacred spaces, walk in the footsteps of saints and pilgrims, encounter the rich history of the early church, and make time for reflection, learning, and community along the way.

TUE, SEPT. 28

Depart the U.S.

Begin our journey across the Atlantic.

WED, SEPT. 29

Edinburgh

Arrive in Scotland and explore Edinburgh, including St. Giles Cathedral and the historic Old Town.

THU, SEPT. 30

Scottish Borders

Travel through the Scottish Borders with visits to Melrose Abbey and Dryburgh Abbey before continuing to Newcastle.



MELROSE ABBEY

FRI, OCT. 1

Newcastle Area

Discover Newcastle and local Methodist connections and visit Tynemouth Priory and Castle.

SAT, OCT. 2

In the Footsteps of the Venerable Bede

Learn about Venerable Bede and tour Old St. Paul's Priory and Monkwearmouth.

*History, faith, and
breathtaking beauty await.*



LINDISFARNE PRIORY



YORK MINSTER

SUN, OCT. 3

York

Worship at York Minster Cathedral and take a walking tour of York, exploring Viking and early Christian sites.

MON, OCT. 4

Whitby & Hartlepool

Learn about Saint Hilda while exploring Hartlepool and Whitby. Transfer to Newcastle.

TUES, OCT. 5

Hexham & Finchale

Visit Hexham Abbey, Finchale Priory, and High House Chapel.

WED, OCT. 6

Auckland Palace, Faith Museum & the Camino Ingles

Experience Auckland Palace and the Faith Museum, journey on the Camino Ingles, visit Escomb Church, and enjoy dinner at Blackfriars.

THURS, OCT. 7

Farne Islands & Bamburgh

Visit Bamburgh Castle and take a boat tour of the Farne Islands.

FRI, OCT. 8

Holy Island of Lindisfarne

Walk the ancient pilgrims' crossing to Holy Island, visit Lindisfarne Priory, explore the story of St. Aidan, and worship at St. Mary's Church.

SAT, OCT. 9

Durham City

Explore Durham and experience a special guided tour of Durham Cathedral.

SUN, OCT. 10

Worship & Reflection

Check out of our hotel in Newcastle and worship at Durham Cathedral before returning to Edinburgh. Arrive at airport hotel.



DURHAM CATHEDRAL

PILGRIMAGE DETAILS

Dates (travel):

Sept. 28 – Oct. 11, 2027

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Cost:

\$4,275 + airfare

INCLUDED:

- ✓ 12 nights' accommodations (Bed and Breakfast)
- ✓ Bus transportation
- ✓ Entrance fees to all attractions
- ✓ Expert guides
- ✓ Evening meals on Days 1, 2, 4, 8 & 10 (including Blackfriars)
- ✓ Lunch on Day 11
- ✓ Evening meeting rooms for times of group reflection
- ✓ Pilgrimage journal

PRE-TRIP MEETINGS

We will gather before the trip for group building and education.



Pilgrimage Organizers and Guides



Rev. Dr. Kathy Beach

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Travel with Rev. Dr. Kathy Beach and Rev. Dr. Ed Glaize as we explore the sacred places, inspiring history, and living faith of the Celtic saints in northern England and southern Scotland.

TOUR COMPANY

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Authentic Journeys. Deeper Connections.

We are partnering with Northern Secrets Ltd., a specialist in faith-based and cultural travel throughout the United Kingdom. Their expertise, local relationships, and attention to detail will help make this a meaningful and seamless experience.



Anna Unger
Tour Guide

Anna is a knowledgeable and engaging guide who brings the history, culture, and faith stories of the Celtic lands to life. Her passion for these places and their people enriches our pilgrimage experience.

Have Questions?
We'd love to hear from you!

Contact Ed or Kathy for more information about the pilgrimage, the itinerary, or how to prepare for this meaningful journey.

