



# Scotland

## A Trinity & St Mark's Wonder Voyage

### Saturday, July 22: Wonder Changes Everything

Welcome to the United Kingdom! We begin our adventure in Edinburgh and journey south to explore the border town of Berwick-upon-Tweed. This charming coastal village on the Northumbrian coast is a great place to stretch our legs and take in the amazing beauty of the region. We spend our next few nights in Berwick. A good night's rest gets us ready for the week ahead as we seek to meet God in both the thin places and the little things.

Day 1



### Sunday, July 23: All Things Celtic

Our introduction to Celtic Christianity begins with Holy Eucharist at St. Mary's Anglican Church on Lindisfarne. We explore how Aidan and his monks founded their community on Lindisfarne and learn about their way of life, from which flowed their mission and ministry. A communal meal follows as we spend time with a local storyteller who introduces us to the wonders of the Holy Isle and the roots of our faith.

Day 2

### Monday, July 24: Borderlands

The Scottish Borders are famed for their magnificent ruined abbeys at Melrose, Dryburgh, Jedburgh, and Kelso. We visit a couple of these sites before beginning a pilgrim walk to the magnificent Melrose Cathedral, burial place of the heart of Robert the Bruce. As we begin the journey we give our hearts to Christ, asking Him to join and walk with us on the road. Like every afternoon, you have a couple hours to explore the town or sit down for tea and biscuits before we head back to Berwick.

Day 3



Day 4

### Tuesday, July 25: I Wonder

This is a day of surprises as your guide, the founder of Wonder Voyage, takes you off the beaten path to explore a surprise location. Anything can happen. This is a true Wonder Voyage day.

## Wednesday, July 26: Presence

Our last day on Holy Isle starts with one of the oldest short pilgrimages in the U.K., crossing barefoot across the sands of the retreating sea to Holy Isle. There is a sublime peace in walking in the footsteps of 100,000 pilgrims. The afternoon allows us time to revisit our favorite spots on The Holy Isle. We finish up our Stone Soup competition and see who can cook the best haggis.

## Friday, July 28: Edinburgh

Our last full day in Scotland is spent exploring the spellbinding city of Edinburgh. We help direct you to the places you are most interested in; you can explore history, sacred spaces, shop or just wander. Edinburgh is one of the best cities in the world to explore by foot. Our evening comes to a close with a very special Eucharist and Celebration Meal where we share the stories of our day and rejoice over the incredible week we have had together.



Day 5



## Thursday, July 27: Inchcolm

We move northward on a special expedition to the isle of Inchcolm. Known as the 'Iona of the East', the island of Inchcolm lies east of the Forth bridges, less than a mile off the Fife coast. Only 800m long, it's home to the ruins of Inchcolm Abbey, one of Scotland's best-preserved medieval abbeys, founded by Augustinian priors in 1123. After our water adventure, we settle into our home in New Town, Edinburgh. Tonight we follow a storyteller throughout the ancient city to learn of saints and sinners, madmen and miracles.

Day 6

Day 7

## Saturday, July 29: Alba, Sàmhach!

Together, we have spent our pilgrimage discovering the church's Celtic heritage as we've walked in the footsteps of Aidan and Cuthbert. We have crossed both country and cultural borders, straddled the boundaries of ocean and land, day and night, and heaven and earth. We have walked the paths of saints, storytellers, and sages. May Christ's peace continue with each of you as your new pilgrimage begins.

Day 8

# Trip Details

## Your Trip Guide

After a decade working in parish youth and mission ministry, **Shawn Small** started Wonder Voyage. Since 2000, Wonder Voyage has led thousands of pilgrims to over forty countries. Shawn is a storyteller, an award-winning filmmaker, and an author who brings the gift of engaging narrative to our journeys.

## Where You Will Stay

While in the United Kingdom we will enjoy the hospitality of local youth hostels. From a granary on the banks of the River Tweed, to the center of bustling Edinburgh, these locations are perfectly situated for our grand adventure.

**Contacting Your Family Member:** Your church is able to contact Wonder Voyage in case of an emergency. Speak to Sally Hockinson at Trinity or Casey Bushman at St Mark's if you need to contact your family member during the trip.