

## Minister's Report

By the time we receive and reflect on these reports, for good or ill, very often the items in them seem like distant memories. The church year 2024-2025 in Central was an interesting time, to say the least. We continued in our Sunday services, personal devotions and small groups to explore the core aspects of real, living New Testament church featured in *Holy Habits*. We embarked on the second half of these ten essential characteristics and practices found in Acts Chapter 2 vs 42-47 and which describe the infant church and the way it went about living out its ministry. As with the previous year, Biblical themes from *Holy Habits* have been interwoven in many of our activities reminding and challenging us to have a refreshed vision of being a church that is a missional community. Better still, we've seen it happening around and among us! It has been refreshing to welcome new faces in many aspects of our church's life, whilst at the same time bidding farewell to some of our long-standing friends and members as they return home to glory and their Saviour, Jesus.

While much of week by week and seasonal Church life may look similar to the previous year, the other reports to this year's General Church Meeting witness to a new vibrancy and sense of purpose. At the heart of our mission and ministry is pattern and call of The Lord Jesus Christ, the one we service together. During this past church year (2024-2025), we have continued to befriend people through Warm Spaces – particularly incorporating that with the Community Larder, Tuesday coffee mornings, Family Fun, *Chattabox*, Wednesday Fellowship, 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday Community Breakfasts, bring and share Sunday lunches, and the weekly coffee mornings. It's been a joy to witness that some folk contacted through those activities have witnessed how they sense they belong within Central. Our small groups and fellowships have been a crucible for growing in understanding of what we believe, encouraging one another to become wholehearted disciples of Our Lord Jesus Christ, who are able to build His Church and whose lives will increasingly reflect His in the ways we behave!

But what has that all meant in the course of a year? The Church Stewards team have had a growing sense of being a *Leadership Team* – a community of people called to help the whole Church go forward and grow in upwards towards The Lord in Worship, inwards toward one another in fellowship and caring, forwards in learning and discipleship, outwards in ministry, evangelism and mission and more in numbers.

But this raises questions about how this can be accomplished. Our Holy Habits themes help guide our thinking, through Harvest and early Autumn we explored *Gladness & Generosity* – about stewardship of our time, talents, treasures and the plant; in November we began considering *Fellowship* – our relationships with one another and through Advent and Christmas 2024 we came face to face with the God who seeks to know us. In January we shared in the Circuit Covenant Service at *Christ the Cornerstone Church*, Tregadillett and for *The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity* we joined others from a number of churches at St. Stephens. Both occasions reminded us that we are called to put the faith we profess into practice. This echoed

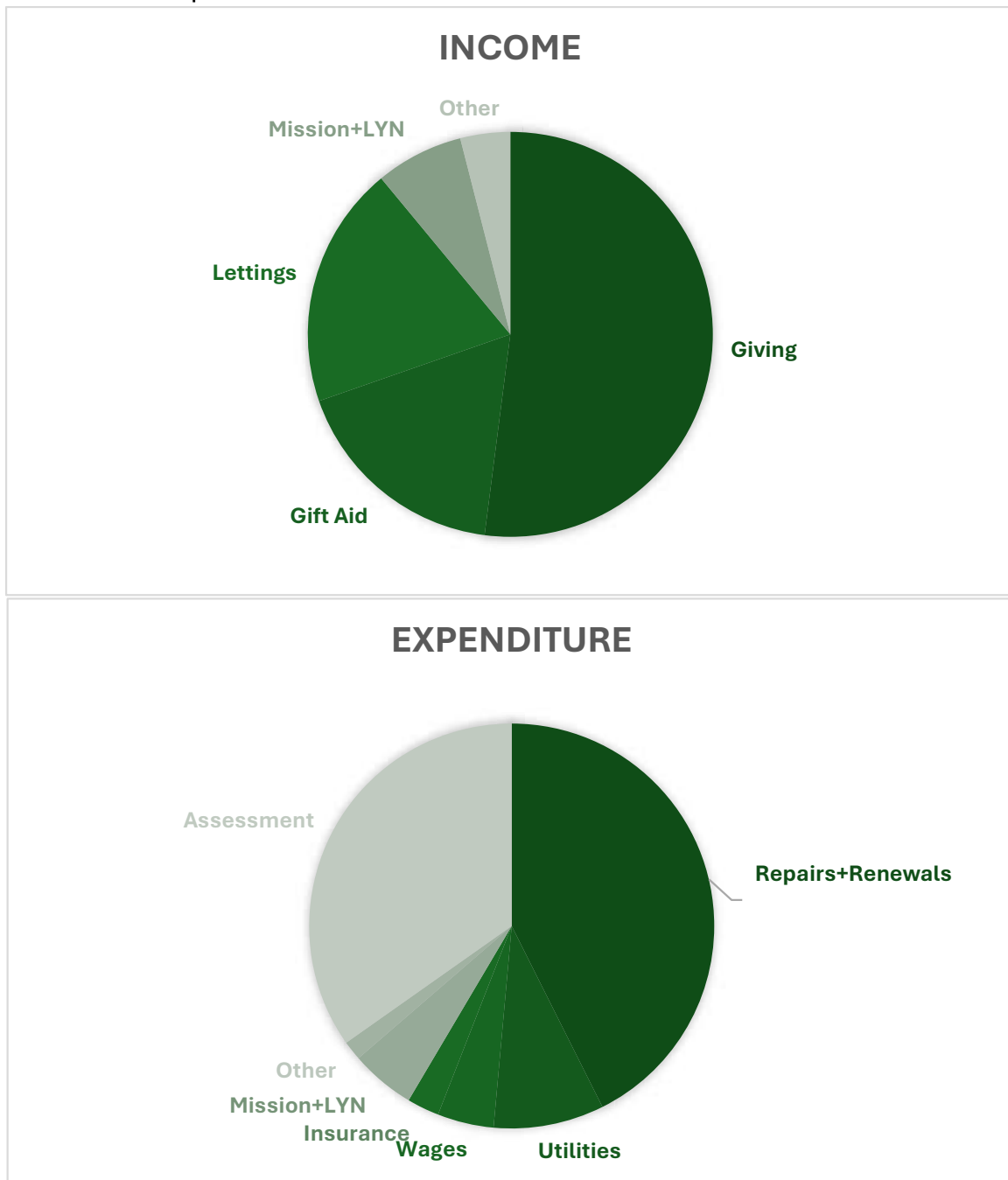
our Holy Habits segment on *Service*. Do you see the pattern emerging? Step by step, sometimes intentionally, other times apparently by chance, Central is seeking to live out the features of being a genuinely missional community. Many acts of service with a missional edge occur, not least the activities mentioned earlier, but in other ways, too. The “experiment” we undertook using *The Little Red Bus* from *Launceston Community Transport* had helped a number of people become part of our church family which increasingly shows a diverse gathering and age spread in our congregation. Our hopes to employ a Children’s and Families’ Worker to spearhead our outreach to those finding the soft edged entry points of church, have been frustrating, to say the least (though that’s something for next year’s report!) and even as I write we are still seeking to make this a reality. Last year I commented we would be doing this in, “a challenging environment for Charity employment.” This has proved all too true.

Through Lent, we recapped Holy Habits themes when our small groups undertook a *Lenten Journey* to The Cross, and our Sunday services helped us all to journey with Jesus as He revealed His glory to His disciples and, “when the days drew near for him to be taken up, Jesus set out resolutely to go to Jerusalem.” (Luke 9:51) to His ultimate act of self-sacrificial death as the suffering servant and Saviour. Easter provided a grand opportunity to celebrate Jesus’ resurrection and from then until Pentecost, when we celebrate the birth of the Church, we turned our attention towards *Making Disciples* – and there was even mention of “The E-Word” evangelism, which is simply the sharing of the Good News of the Gospel that, ‘If you confess with your mouth, “Jesus is Lord,” and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved.’ (Romans 10:9). Of course, we do that in and with both words and actions – and that’s what all our church activities must be focussed around.

Looking over the year 2024-25, reminds me that Central has been seeking to be the best church it can for the sake of the community and to the glory of God. Here then, is a good moment to thank the many people who make Central’s life not only occur, but flourish and grow. You’ll find that reflected – often in a very understated way in the other contributions to these reports. This in turn reminds me of words of St Paul to the first church in Europe, “I thank my God every time I remember you. In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now, being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.” (Philippians 1:3-6) Like St Paul we will continually need to give thanks for the activities in which we are engaged, and seek for them to be orientated towards helping one another and all whom we encounter in ways that mean Central fulfils more of its missionary potential and encourages more people to encounter the befriending love of God through His people, come to belong among the family and fellowship of the Church, to believe on The Lord Jesus Christ, becoming His wholehearted followers as The Holy Spirit shapes their lives after His likeness in order that we build God’s church and embody His Kingdom here in Launceston.

David Miller, May 2026

## Treasurer's Report



The expenditure this year was very high due to the completion of phase 1 of the Central Regen programme which included new boiler, lighting and chairs for the main Church building.

The main source of income is giving which has remained quite steady and thanks go to all those who give regularly. Unfortunately, expenses rise with inflation and we are finding that we need to draw on our savings to meet current running costs.

## **Stewards' Report**

The stewards are grateful for the help, prayers and encouragement they receive from the church family.

Holy Habits during the year were studied in several house groups and in services and was based on Acts 2:42-47.

We welcomed the return of Rev Steve Emery-Wright for the Harvest Service in October.

Christmas opening for late night shopping was popular and the usual Christmas Services were held. The Nativity Service was well attended and 20 children came.

On Mothering Sunday daffodils were given and appreciated by the ladies.

Easter services and events included the walk of witness, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Sunday services. On Maundy Thursday David and Liz prepared food which gave us a great insight into the foods used during the Last Supper.

In April Marion was thanked for all the hard work and dedication she had given during her time as senior steward. We are grateful Marion has continued to serve as welcome steward and we also extend our thanks to all the welcome stewards for their ongoing support and service. In May Lois and Kathryn joined the team.

Coffee mornings continued and grateful thanks are expressed to all those who help and support these mornings.

The stewards' prayer meeting, previously held on the first Tuesday of the month, joined with the Tuesday prayer time Cathie and Pauline began several years ago when they opened the chapel for prayer in the summer. We are grateful to Cathie and Pauline for faithfully opening the church for prayer over the years.

Other events including Southwest Awake prayer in the Castle Grounds, a ceilidh dance in July and 245 alive barbecue at the end of August were also held.

The Churches Together tent at Launceston show, held at the end of July, was a successful event and proved to be popular with the young people. The theme "have you run out of juice – try praying" was used. Thanks expressed to Irene for organising this.

## **Children's Work**

### **Sundays**

The number of children attending Sunday morning Church services has remained steady, although numbers of children can vary from week to week. We continue to run a Sunday School group which takes place up in the Epworth Room each week except for the first week in the month when the children stay in for the Family Service. We still encourage the children to participate in songs, with ribbons and flags; and joining in with the worship group where it is appropriate or doing a Bible reading. The Little Red Bus has been collecting families from the estates. We are in the process of recruiting a Children and Families Worker which would really help with the children's work.

## **Family Fun Events**

These events continue to take place approximately every 4 weeks on a Saturday morning and are usually well attended, averaging about 20 - 25 children plus other family members. The team plan activities around a theme including crafts, food activities, challenges, quizzes, a short video or story and modern songs with shakers and ribbons available. We also provide sports equipment, sometimes parachute games, construction kits and toddler toys. There are always snacks, cakes and drinks available. We are seeing some families returning each month and welcoming some new ones. We are encouraged to see the connection with some families who use the Love Your Neighbour Community Larder and to welcome some people as volunteers on Family Fun Days. We are also thankful for church members who continue to help or visit to support what we are doing.

## **Chattabox**

Chattabox toddler group continues to take place each week in term time with between about 12 and 20 babies / toddlers attending each week with their parent/s or carers, slightly smaller numbers over the last few months, with some families taking advantage of the free nursery places available to them, elsewhere. Activities are planned each week around a theme and include craft, messy/sensory play, small world play, ride on toys and large blocks; and a song time. The children are provided with a healthy snack and parents enjoy tea/coffee and biscuits. We would welcome other people who would like to get involved in any way.

Val Carpenter

## **Sound System Operators for Worship/Church Activities 2025**

The Duty Sound System Operators role at Central is to liaise with the worship co-ordinator, musicians and/or preacher for any given Sunday morning (and some evening) services to discuss the details and requirements for their service.

Currently the team is as follows:

- Eric Rowland
- Jennie Kerwin
- David Banks

The sound desk does present a challenge for us in the church and we really are always on the lookout for new helpers of all ages for the team, so if you feel you could help you would be most welcome. This responsible job is really important but not too onerous and is a real contribution to the life of the churches worship.

If you have any questions please speak to Eric Rowland or a member of the team.

*David Rogerson*

### **Live Stream Operators for Worship Services 2025**

The live streaming of services at Central on YouTube is used as a form of mission and outreach. The demands of the work and the limited human resources means that it is not available every week. Details are available on the websites and the circuit YouTube Channel.

A simple range of broadcasting and audio equipment has been obtained and donated to the church to enable this to happen.

Currently the team is as follows:

- David Rogerson (Live Streaming when available).
- Mike Carpenter (Recording and post event video uploads).

If you have any questions please speak to David Rogerson or Mike Carpenter.

*David Rogerson*

### **Musical Support – including 245 Alive & PAL Services 2025**

Musical support for the various styles of services is provided by a team of organists, the Church Worship Group and a singing group that uses song tracks.

Our thanks for the time and commitment go to our organists Richard Cottrell and Jenny Worth.

The '245 Alive' evening services and also the morning services benefit from music support from the live worship band. Considerable thanks is due to the group, Alison Bunkum, Jennie Kernow, Robin Parnell, Ray Prout and Glenn Douce. The band rehearses every Saturday and are a very important part of the church's worship.

Our thanks is also due to Mike Carpenter who uses high quality tracks to support the singing group when required.

Opportunities to explore new songs are always taken by all the musicians. When possible, this is in consultation with the preacher. Decisions are then made on the music to fit the service theme and readings.

*David Rogerson*

### **Projectionists for Sunday Morning Worship 2025**

The Duty Projectionist role at Central is to liaise with the worship co-ordinator and/or preacher for any given Sunday morning (and some evening) services to discuss the details and requirements for their service.

This detail is used to create a 'schedule file' which may include video links and PowerPoint files included in the computer's Easy-Worship program.

The iSingWorship program is also sometimes used to play song tracks with audio via the sound system. The projection team are very willing and I must take this opportunity to thank them all for their patient and committed support to the team and the church.

The team for the reporting period was as follows:

- Jenny Cook
- Joan Helme
- Liz Miller
- David Rogerson (Janet Rogerson)

The team is aging and there is a real need for new helpers to join the team. If you feel you could help you would be most welcome. This important job may seem a little daunting at first, but anyone with a basic knowledge of computers and with some simple training is able to undertake the task. The projectionist role is not too onerous and is a real contribution to the life of the churches worship.

If you have any questions please speak to David Rogerson (01579) 370412 / 07445 4498557 or [david@lamc.org.uk](mailto:david@lamc.org.uk)

*David Rogerson*

### **Central's Presence on the Internet 2025**

The Central and Circuit web sites –

[www.central-methodist.org.uk](http://www.central-methodist.org.uk)

**[www.lamc.org.uk](http://www.lamc.org.uk)**

The Central and Circuit web sites continue to provide a modern, informative presence on the Internet, enabling people in the local community and indeed across the world to be aware of our work and fellowship. The sites are hosted and run at a very low cost and have proved to be very useful in keeping people informed about what is on at the church, our work and worship.

A daily diary of Central's events, the weekly bulletin, a quarterly list of the preachers, organists, readers, coffee rota, flower rota and Coordinators at Central are always available. The site includes full information on what is on at Central with news of forthcoming events. You can also catch up on recordings of live streams on the circuit YouTube channel

A reduced copy of the circuit plan showing preachers and services can also be accessed on both sites with all documents being in an easily printable PDF format. There are also a number of links to other sites including the Methodist Church and Cornwall district web sites.

Central has an excellent Facebook page which is run by Gillian Goodman. Running a Facebook page can be time consuming so we must thank Gillian for her work and her diligence with the page.

The greatest challenge is to keep the sites vibrant and up to date with the news of what is happening. Indeed, it is hoped that they truly reflect everything about what happens at Central and the circuit. If you have any information, articles or photographs for inclusion on the web sites please don't hesitate to contact David Rogerson on 07445 449857 or by email at [david@lamc.org.uk](mailto:david@lamc.org.uk)

*David Rogerson*

### **Worship Co-ordinators for Sunday Morning Worship 2024-25**

The role of the Worship Co-ordinator is to liaise with the preacher for the Sunday morning service to discuss worship, music, facilities and other requirements for their service. This specific role is to help visiting preachers with the differing styles of Central's worship.

There is currently just one Worship Co-ordinator to cover services - David Rogerson. This has meant that other help has to be provided by Mike Carpenter and Rev David Miller.

The co-ordinators for the quarter are listed in the worship contacts collated by David Rogerson and available on line on the church website at [www.central-methodist.org.uk/worship.pdf](http://www.central-methodist.org.uk/worship.pdf)

It should be noted that the online copy is always the most up to date version and every effort is made to ensure that changes to the listing are promptly made. It is inevitable that changes will happen during any given quarter.

The list is also promulgated on the notice board in the vestry. If you would like a personal copy please speak to a steward or David Rogerson.

The team is in real need of more helpers, so if you feel you could help you would be most welcome.

If you have any questions please speak to David Rogerson (01579) 370412 / 07445 449857 or [david@lamc.org.uk](mailto:david@lamc.org.uk).

*David Rogerson*



### **“Love Your Neighbour” Community Larder**

The larder continues to take place 3 times per week with a good number of willing volunteers. The number of customers continues to increase and we have a wide variety of sources of surplus food. We also continue to receive free produce from Cornwall Gleaning Network.

We have purchased new fridges to help us with the volume of food that we are being offered by local supermarkets.

We invite people to stay for tea/coffee and biscuits; and a chance to chat and make friendships with others which has proved very popular. Customers sometimes feel confident to share problems in their lives and we try to support them and /or signpost them to relevant agencies that might be able to help.

We have regular visits from other agencies such as Community Energy Plus to support people with fuel issues; a representative from South West Water to discuss any issues with water costs; NHS Social Prescribers to help with health and welfare issues; and the local Community Police Officer as a friendly face.

We try to support individuals who are homeless or sofa surfing by sharing contact details such as St Petroc's and Streetlink; and by offering items such as tents, sleeping bags, flasks and warm clothes where appropriate.

Mike and Val Carpenter

### **Ladies Friendship Group**

The Ladies Friendship group have continued to meet on the first Thursday of every month, providing an informal time of fellowship, strengthening friendships and a relaxed space to welcome new ladies. We meet at a different venue each month, often just for coffee and chat. In the summer months we have enjoyed a walk at Willow Tree and Roadford. A beetle drive provided fun and laughter, whereas all was quiet with concentration on a craft activity. The Christmas lunch is always popular. Any ladies are always welcome to attend any or all of the meetings. A programme is available and transport can be arranged if required.

*Julia Boundy*

### **Central Kitchen**

Central kitchen continues to be used by a variety of groups and each group is encouraged to make an entry in the kitchen file and to note any concerns or issues with the kitchen. There has been virtually no actual cooking in the kitchen since the Link into Learning hospitality group no longer use our premises. We have also not been able to make the lunches for children on the Time to Move sessions in the school holidays at the leisure centre as these are no longer taking place.

We had an inspection by the Environmental Health Officer in December 2024 and were delighted to receive a 5.

They have subsequently looked at the work of the Community Larder in the Dingley Hall as we are handling food and have made a few recommendations, particularly over the condition of the lower room where we have most of the freezers. The floor covering needs to be washable rather than carpet so the carpet has been removed.

The ceiling and walls are flaky and need attention which is ongoing work. The EHO is due to revisit by December 2026.

Val Carpenter

### **Link to Hope**

Thankyou to everyone who supports us with Link to Hope. We sent 150 boxes at Christmas 2024 from the pick up point at Elmslea - they were delivered from Coads Green, Lifton, Tavistock, St. Stephens School and Central. The children at Family Fun were very enthusiastic putting boxes together and deciding on whether their box would be for a family or an elderly couple. They found it difficult to understand that people needed such basic items as candles, soap and cutlery. In addition to the boxes we have sent £800 pounds to the Link to Hope 'I Am' project. This project enables people to access birth certificates and registration documents previously held by communist governments. Without them people are not accounted for anywhere and therefore cannot access school, legal employment, medical and dental care, or pensions. With the addition of the Ukraine war the most vulnerable undocumented people are unable to escape or even if they move across the country they are unable to access support without I.D. Some of the money we sent was donated and the rest was raised at the Tuesday

### **Pastoral Report**

Our church continues to be a vibrant, welcoming space for people of all ages and backgrounds. We all have a pastoral role to play in being friendly, caring and listening to the concerns of everyone who attends our church. There are groups and activities happening each day of the week which, in addition to Sunday services, offer opportunities to befriend and show care for all. In addition to Monday & Tuesday Bible study, Tuesday coffee mornings, Wednesday fellowship, Wednesday Chattabox, Thursday Ladies group (monthly), there are on-line prayer & bible study groups, Community Larder and warm space (Weds, Fri & Sat) and the monthly Family Fun enjoyed by all ages. There is a leaflet available listing these activities to give to anyone needing info.

Thanks goes to those who continue to keep in touch with our older members who are no longer able to attend church and the 'bags of love' are taken at Christmas to show that they remain an important part of the church family.

Thanks to the pastoral contacts who 'oversee' the pastoral groups to ensure that no-one gets overlooked or forgotten.

#### Summary of church membership y/e 31.10.25

Transfer In-	Graham Davey	+1
Transfer out -	Patricia White	-1
Ceased to meet -	Rachael Levis, Sarah Harris, Nicola Sleep	-3
Out by death -	Sylvia Dawe, Pat Mogford, Avril Colwill, Leslie Baker, John Hole, Ivor Webber, Lorna Bullock, June Davey David Cole (adherent)	- 8

Membership at October 2024	103
Transfer In	<u>1</u>
	104
Transfer out/CTM/by death	<u>12</u>
<b>Total Membership October 2025</b>	<b><u>92</u></b>

*Julia Boundy*

### **Wednesday Fellowship**

Members met on 28 occasions for Wednesday Fellowship from September 2024 until May 2025 and were very grateful to the many speakers who willingly gave of their time. We also joined with the MWIB autumn and spring meetings. The programme finished with the annual afternoon tea at the home of Richard and Jenny Worth, to which all members and speakers were invited and were once again blessed with good weather.

We went to Trethorne for Christmas lunch, joined by Rev David and Liz along with drivers and supporters.

We were saddened that Sylvia Dawe and Lorna Bullock both passed away during the year – Lorna had been a member for decades.

In the spring all members and drivers had afternoon tea at Tre Pol and Pen in memory of Sylvia.

Our two visits in the summer were blessed with good weather – both very interesting. In July we visited St Juliot's Church – with its link to Thomas Hardy – or a drive to Bude for those of limited mobility, followed by tea at Boscastle.

In August we followed the path of the Launceston/Bude Canal as far as Boyton Wharf where Andrew and Coral Dinner welcomed us to their field where a section of the wharf and canal are still visible – Andrew giving us an interesting history of the canal. This was followed by tea at Boyton chapel – kindly provided by the ladies of Boyton chapel.

These Wednesday afternoons are a wonderful time of fellowship for all members.  
Jenny Worth and Marion Allen

### **Tuesday Coffee Mornings**

We continue to meet in the school hall every [week](#) for coffee and company. Some outside agencies host these mornings - Cats Protection, Choral Society, Amnesty International, and various other groups.

Members of Central Church congregation host on the remaining mornings, raising money for Christian Aid, Disasters and Emergency Committee, Action for Children and Link to Hope. We continue to be a meeting place for people to catch up with friends. Irene Stanbury

## **Property Report**

This was a significant year in the upgrades of the facilities of the church.

After a number of years investigating the various options things began to come together thanks also to the generous donation of our Gift Days.

Although the new boiler was installed over the summer it was finally commissioned in September 2024.

Due to the sensitive nature of the electronics we also had to install a new pump,

On October 9 we took delivery of the new chairs and this has been a success it has made the church more adaptable and has generally been well received.

In July 2024 we paid for the new lights in the hope that they would be installed by Christmas unfortunately due to delays in manufacturing they were not ready to start the installation until November at this point we had too many events booked in the run up to Christmas to allow them to start.

A date was fixed for January 20 when the church would be closed for 2 weeks to enable the work to be done 5 electricians worked the first week and 4 worked the second week. They worked very hard and did a top class job.

Once again the comments have been positive and hopefully helps to enhance the worship experience.

There are always items of maintenance which require attention too numerous to mention. Thanks must go to all those who help in any way.

Eric Rowland 26/05/26

# THE METHODIST CHURCH

## STANDARD FORM OF ACCOUNTS

Launceston Central Methodist Church

FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31 August 2025

Launceston Area Methodist Circuit	Circuit no.	43070
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Registered Charity - Charity Registration number

1126217

If not a registered charity His Majesty's Revenue and  
Customs Gift Aid number

(The HMRC number is equivalent to a registered charity number in terms of evidence of charitable status and may be used to give to donors or grant funders wishing to see evidence of the organisation's charitable status. Methodist charities in England and Wales that are not registered charities are excepted from registration under Statutory Instrument 2014 No.242)

Minister:

Rev. David Miller

Church Stewards:

Mrs Irene Stanbury

Mrs Marion Allen

Ms Maureen Teixeira

Mr Andrew Staton

Mrs Rosemary Paxman

Mrs Lois Atkin

Treasurer:

Mrs Janet Dorothy Rogerson

SECTION A		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
		£	£	£	£
a1	<b>RECEIPTS</b>				
a2	Offerings and Tax recovered	79,572	43,787	123,359	547,966
a3	Bank and CFB interest and Investment income	1,834	20,649	22,483	14,702
a4	Lettings	22,078		22,078	23,186
a5	Other receipts	4,556	2,405	6,962	4,390
a6	<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<b>108,040</b>	<b>66,841</b>	<b>174,881</b> (a7)	<b>590,243</b>

SECTION B		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
b1	<b>PAYMENTS</b>				
b2	Circuit Assessment or Share	56,000		56,000	56,000
b3	Donations		7,298	7,298	3,917
b4	Repairs and Maintenance	68,594		68,594	70,563
b5	Utilities (Insurances, water charges, heating & lighting)	18,342		18,342	18,114
b6					
b7	Other payments	8,543	8,068	16,611	415,514
b8	<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>	<b>151,480</b>	<b>15,366</b>	<b>166,846</b> (b9)	<b>564,108</b>

SECTION C		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
c1	<b>NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR</b> (a6-b8)	(43,440)	51,475	8,035	26,136
c2	Total funds brought forward from last year	42,866	69,586	112,451 (c6)	86,316
c3	<b>Sub total</b> (c1+c2)	(575)	121,061	120,486	112,451
c4	Transfers and adjustments				(c7)
c5	<b>TOTAL FUNDS AT END OF YEAR</b> (c3+c4)	(575)	121,061	120,486 (c8)	112,451 (c6)

SECTION D		£	£
<b>FOR INFORMATION ONLY: MONEY RECEIVED AND PASSED ON TO EXTERNAL ORGANISATIONS</b>			
d	(these amounts are not to be included in total receipts/payments figures above)		
d1	Balance brought forward from last year		
d2	Offerings/Gifts - received for external organisations		
d3	Offerings/Gifts - passed to external organisations		
d4	<b>BALANCE STILL TO BE PAID</b> (d1+d2-d3)		

Launceston Central Methodist Church

**SUMMARY OF CHURCH ACCOUNTS AND INTERNAL ORGANISATIONS REPORTING TO THE CHURCH COUNCIL**

**SECTION E**

Please follow the Guidance Notes to complete this page

Summary of the Church accounts for the year ended 31 August 2025 and Internal Organisations reporting to the Church Council/Church Meeting. Note that the funds of an Internal Organisation would normally be Restricted funds unless it could be clearly shown that they could be used for any Methodist purpose. This section must be completed to arrive at the gross income and expenditure totals of the Church. If gross income exceeds the Accruals threshold, then the Accruals method of accounting AND A DIFFERENT FORM must be used to report the accounts (see Methodist website). Please refer to the guidance notes regarding transfers between the District and connected District Organisations.

INTERNAL ORGANISATIONS	Receipts	Payments	Net Receipts/ Payments	Adjustments	Opening balances	Closing balances
e1 Junior Church	1,963	1,467	496		4,803	5,299
e2 Benevolent Account	5,771	4,938	833		4,253	5,085
e3 Chattabox	118		118		674	792
e4						
e5						
e6						
e7						
e8 Sub total of Internal Organisations funds	7,852	6,405	1,447		9,730 (e11)	11,177 (e12)
e9 Church accounts (totals brought forward from page 2 - totals column)	174,881 (a7)	166,846 (b9)	8,035	(c7)	112,451 (c6)	120,486 (c8)
e10 TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH	182,733	173,252	9,482		122,181 (x)	131,663 (y)
Continue on a separate sheet if necessary and bring the totals forward	<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>				

**SECTION F**

**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES**

**CHURCH - CASH FUNDS HELD at 31 August 2025**

	OPENING BALANCES	CLOSING BALANCES
f1 Cash in hand		
f2 Bank Current Account	7,722	5,774
f3 Bank Deposit Account		
f4 Central Finance Board	104,729	114,712
f5 Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes		
f6 Other funds		
f7 SUB TOTAL - Church accounts	112,451 (c6)	120,486 (c8)
f8 Total funds held by Internal Organisations (the closing balance total from above) (e12)	9,730 (e11)	11,177 (e12)
f9 TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH	122,181 (x)	131,663 (y)

**SECTION G**

**OTHER ASSETS and LIABILITIES**

	At 1 September 2023	At 31 August 2024
g1 Investments (include Endowments)	613,992	620,530
g2 Land & Buildings (see notes re Insurance value)	6,600,948	6,798,991
g3 Other Assets		
g4 Loan(s) - show amount outstanding at year end	18,000	18,000
g5 Other Liabilities		

f4 Include only Funds held at the Central Finance Board

f5 Include only Funds held at Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes

g1 Include any other investments (not the cash element of TMCP trusts accounts this is included in line f5)



Name of Church      Launceston Central Methodist Church

## Declarations and Scrutiny

I confirm that these Receipt and Payment based accounts for the year to 31 August 2025 have been prepared from the records of the Church and that they include all funds under the control of the Church trustees.

Signature of treasurer J D Rogerson Date 15/09/2025

Name and address of treasurer      Janet Dorothy Rogerson

Glebe House, Lezant, Launceston      Post Code   PL15 9PP

### Presentation to the Church trustees

I confirm that the annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2025 will be presented to the meeting of the Church trustees held on 21st October 2025

Signature of the Chair of the meeting [Signature]

Name of the Chair of the meeting Rev. David Miller      Date 21/10/25

## Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

### Launceston Central Methodist Church

Charity Number 112617

### Responsibilities and basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Launceston Central Methodist Church for the year ended 31 August 2025 set out on pages 1 to 3 As the Church's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').



Name of Church      Launceston Central Methodist Church      No 1126217

### Independent Examiner's Statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (other than that disclosed below\*) which give me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act; or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

I have/~~have not~~\* obtained independent verification of all investments with the Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes or held in other trusts, bank balances and funds at the Central Finance Board of the Methodist Church which are individually in excess of £10,000 (ten thousand pounds) at the balance sheet date.

Signature of independent examiner ..... *S. Risdon* .....

Name of independent examiner ..... *Sarah Risdon* .....

Relevant professional qualification of independent examiner ..... *M.A.A.T.* .....

Name of firm (where appropriate) ..... *N/A* .....

Address ..... *Forget Me Not Cottage, St. Clether, Launceston, Cornwall* .....

..... Post Code *PL1 8QN* .....

Date ..... *24/09/25* .....

\* delete or circle as appropriate