

# HEXHAM TRINITY METHODIST CHURCH

England & Wales · Charity number 1126978

## Details

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**Status** Registered

**Legal form** Previously excepted

**Registered** 2008-11-27

**Register** [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

## Contact

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## Activities

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**Objects:** THE SAME AS THE METHODIST CHURCH OF GREAT BRITAIN OTHERWISE "MAKING DISCIPLES OF JESUS CHRIST"

**Activities:** Making Disciples of Jesus Christ

## Classification

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- **How:** Provides Services
- **What:** Religious Activities
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

## Geography

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- **Area of benefit:** HEXHAM
- Northumberland

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-08-31	£133,921	£149,771	-	-
2024-08-31	£130,691	£110,186	-	-
2023-08-31	£148,456	£148,442	-	-
2022-08-31	£184,146	£186,729	-	-
2021-08-31	£172,207	£126,276	-	-
2020-08-31	£156,534	£169,128	-	-

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
DR ALAN JOHN WRIGHT MB FRCP		
Dr Jeremy William Wallace Killen		2026-01-25
Dr Ruth Ralston BSc MBChB		2025-02-09
Elizabeth Brittlebank BA		2019-02-03
Elizabeth Helen Box		2019-02-03
Felicity Vera Wright		2016-03-27
Helen Atkin		2019-02-03
John Farrington Dunn		2016-03-22
John Martin Vincent		2022-09-01
Kay Vincent		2017-02-26
Maria Louise Cameron Curran BA Hons		2021-01-01
Neil Patterson		2014-09-01
Nicola Jane Dodds		2019-01-01
Rebecca Anne Burton BA		2023-10-29
Sandra Innes MA MBA		2019-11-07
Susan Paterson BSc		2019-11-08

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**Independent Accounts Examiner:**

Mr Phil Rainford

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**One-off:**

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**Financial Report:**

Church members are actively involved in the giving and allocating of finances through Church meetings and reports. The wider local circuit of Methodist Churches also help with this process. The financial report which has been independently examined is attached to this report.

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STANDARD FORM OF ACCOUNTS**

Hexham Trinity	Church
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FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31 August 2025

<b>Tynedale</b>	<b>Circuit</b>	<b>Circuit no</b>	<b>20/08</b>
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1126978

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Rev Gareth Sherwood
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Elizabeth Brittlebank
Rebecca Burton
Ruth Ralston

Treasurer:

John Dunn
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SECTION A			Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
			£	£	£	£
a1	<b>RECEIPTS</b>	<b>Note</b>				
a2	Offerings and Tax recovered	1	76,871	2,655	79,526	78,986
a3	Bank and CFB interest and Investment income	2	5,716		5,716	5,644
a4	Lettings	3	32,563		32,563	30,175
a5	Other receipts	4	835	35,029	35,864	16,733
a6	<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>115,985</b>	<b>37,683</b>	<b>153,669 (a7)</b>	<b>131,538</b>

SECTION B						
b1	<b>PAYMENTS</b>					
b2	Circuit Assessment or Share	6	59,774		59,774	33,408
b3	Donations	7	7,285		7,285	7,718
b4	Repairs and Maintenance	8	26,533	19,474	46,007	5,415
b5	Utilities (Insurances, water charges, heating & lighting)	9	20,682		20,682	22,932
b6	Staff	10	26,230	15,660	41,890	31,583
b7	Other payments	11	8,705	1,109	9,814	9,130
b8	<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>		<b>149,209</b>	<b>36,242</b>	<b>185,451 (b9)</b>	<b>110,186</b>

SECTION C						
c1	<b>NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR</b>	<b>(a6-b8)</b>	<b>(33,224)</b>	<b>1,441</b>	<b>(31,783)</b>	<b>21,352</b>
c2	Total funds brought forward from last year	12	180,717	2,973	<b>183,691 (c6)</b>	<b>162,339</b>
c3	<b>Sub total</b>	<b>(c1+c2)</b>	<b>147,494</b>	<b>4,414</b>	<b>151,908</b>	<b>183,691</b>
c4	Transfers and adjustments	17	1,790	(1,790)		
c5	<b>TOTAL FUNDS AT END OF YEAR</b>	<b>(c3+c4) 18</b>	<b>149,284</b>	<b>2,624</b>	<b>151,908 (c8)</b>	<b>183,691 (c6)</b>

SECTION D				
<b>FOR INFORMATION ONLY: MONEY RECEIVED AND PASSED ON TO EXTERNAL ORGANISATIONS</b>				
d	<b>(these amounts are not to be included in total receipts/payments figures</b>		<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
d1	Balance brought forward from last year			
d2	Offerings/Gifts - received for external organisations			395
d3	Offerings/Gifts - passed to external organisations			395
d4	<b>BALANCE STILL TO BE PAID</b>			
	<b>(d1+d2-d3)</b>			

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

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INTERNAL ORGANISATIONS	Receipts	Payments	Net Receipts/ Payments	Adjustments	Opening balances	Closing balances
e1						
e2						
e3						
e4						
e5						
e6						
e7						
e8 Sub total of Internal Organisations funds					(e11)	(e12)
e9 Church accounts (totals brought forward from page 2 - totals column)	153,669 (a7)	185,451 (b9)	(31,783)	(c7)	183,691 (c6)	151,908 (c8)
e10 <b>TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH</b>	<b>153,669</b>	<b>185,451</b>	<b>(31,783)</b>		<b>183,691 (x)</b>	<b>151,908 (y)</b>
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	14		
f2 Bank Current Account	15	69,923	19,397
f3 Bank Deposit Account			
f4 Central Finance Board		96,369	114,339
f5 Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes		17,399	18,173
f6 Other funds - (PAYE Balancing Error)			(0)
f7 <b>SUB TOTAL - Church accounts</b>		<b>183,691 (c6)</b>	<b>151,908 (c8)</b>
f8 Total funds held by Internal Organisations (the closing balance total from above) (e12)		(e11)	(e12)
f9 <b>TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH</b>		<b>183,691 (x)</b>	<b>151,908 (y)</b>

**SECTION G****OTHER ASSETS and LIABILITIES**

		At 1 September 2024	At 31 August 2025
g1 Investments (include Endowments)			
g2 Land & Buildings (see notes re Insurance value)		8,710,609	8,971,947
g3 Other Assets	16	3,709	2,956
g4 Loan(s) - show amount outstanding at year end			
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 .. Trinity Methodist Church (1126978)

## 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 ..... Date.....

Name and address of treasurer ..... John Dunn, 33 Dickson Drive, Hexham, Northumberland

..... Post Code..... NE46 2RB

### Presentation to the Church trustees

I confirm that the annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2025 were/will be\* presented to the meeting of the Church trustees held on .....

Signature of the Chair of the meeting .....

Name of the Chair of the meeting ..... Date .....

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

### Trinity Methodist Church

Charity Number 1126978

### Responsibilities and basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Trinity Methodist Church for the year ended 31 August 2025 set out on pages ... to .... 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').

I report in respect of my examination of the Church's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and, in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

\* delete or circle as appropriate

Name of Church .. **Trinity Methodist Church (1126978)**

**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:

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Signature of independent examiner .....

Name of independent examiner .....

Relevant professional qualification of independent examiner .....

Name of firm (where appropriate) .....

Address .....

..... Post Code .....

Date .....

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### Independent Examiner's Statement

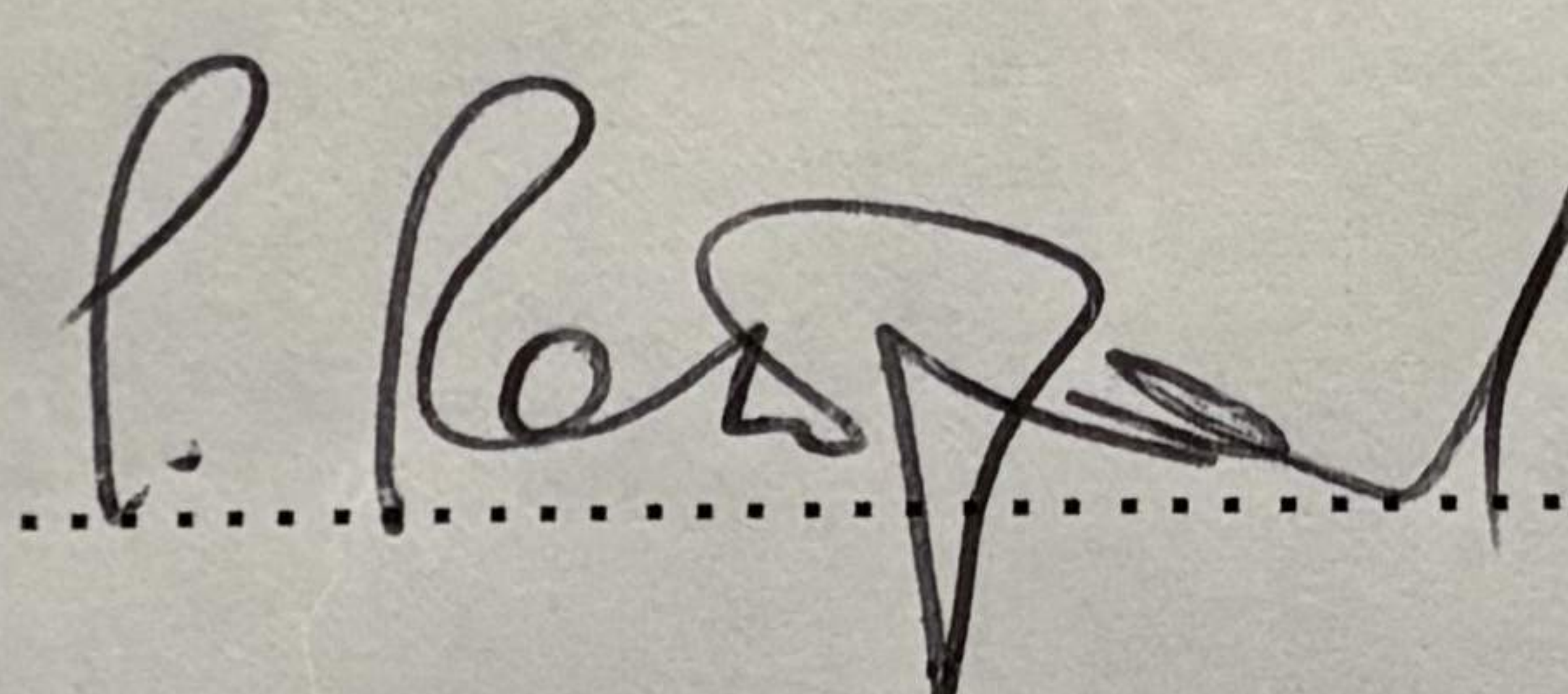
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Signature of independent examiner ..... 

Name of independent examiner ..... PHILIP RAINFORD

Relevant professional qualification of independent examiner ..... RETIRED, FORMER A.C.A.

Name of firm (where appropriate) .....

Address ..... 9 COLLINGWOOD DRIVE, HEXHAM,

..... NORTHUMBERLAND Post Code NE46 2JA

Date ..... 17/10/25

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a3	Bank and CFB interest and Investment income	2	5,644	5,644	4,184
a4	Lettings	3	30,175	30,175	22,733
a5	Other receipts	4	16,733	16,733	18,399
a6	<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>131,538</b>	<b>131,538 (a7)</b>	<b>133,139</b>

SECTION B					
b1	<b>PAYMENTS</b>				
b2	Circuit Assessment or Share	6	33,408	33,408	41,593
b3	Donations	7	7,718	7,718	8,532
b4	Repairs and Maintenance	8	5,415	5,415	9,214
b5	Utilities (Insurances, water charges, heating & lighting)	9	22,932	22,932	13,360
b6	Staff	10	31,583	31,583	65,095
b7	Other payments	11	9,130	9,130	7,063
b8	<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>		<b>110,186</b>	<b>110,186 (b9)</b>	<b>144,857</b>

SECTION C					
c1	<b>NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR</b>	<b>(a6-b8)</b>	21,352	<b>21,352</b>	(11,718)
c2	Total funds brought forward from last year	12	159,366	2,973	<b>162,339 (c6)</b>
c3	<b>Sub total</b>	<b>(c1+c2)</b>	180,717	2,973	<b>183,691</b>
c4	Transfers and adjustments	Pass Through Ext Org			<b>(c7)</b> (65)
c5	<b>TOTAL FUNDS AT END OF YEAR</b>	<b>(c3+c4)</b>	<b>180,717</b>	<b>2,973</b>	<b>183,691 (c8)</b> <b>162,339 (c6)</b>

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)		£	£
d1	Balance brought forward from last year			65
d2	Offerings/Gifts - received for external organisations			580
d3	Offerings/Gifts - passed to external organisations			645
d4	<b>BALANCE STILL TO BE PAID</b>	<b>(d1+d2-d3)</b>		

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e5						
e6						
e7						
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e10 <b>TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH</b>	<b>131,538</b>	<b>110,186</b>	<b>21,352</b>		<b>162,339 (x)</b>	<b>183,691 (y)</b>
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**SECTION F****STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES****CHURCH - CASH FUNDS HELD at 31 August 2024**

		OPENING BALANCES	CLOSING BALANCES
f1	14		
f2 Bank Current Account	15	54,215	69,923
f3 Bank Deposit Account			
f4 Central Finance Board		91,572	96,369
f5 Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes		16,552	17,399
f6 Other funds - see note			
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**SECTION G****OTHER ASSETS and LIABILITIES**

		At 1 September 2023	At 31 August 2024
g1 Investments (include Endowments)			
g2 Land & Buildings (see notes re Insurance value)		8,498,223	8,710,609
g3 Other Assets	16	5,818	3,709
g4 Loan(s) - show amount outstanding at year end			
g5 Other Liabilities			

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I report in respect of my examination of the Church's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and, in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

\* delete or circle as appropriate

Name of Church .. **Trinity Methodist Church (1126978)**

**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.

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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 .....

Name of independent examiner .....

Relevant professional qualification of independent examiner .....

Name of firm (where appropriate) .....

Address .....

..... Post Code .....

Date .....

\* delete or circle as appropriate

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Name of Church . Trinity Methodist Church (1126978)

## Declarations and Scrutiny

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Signature of treasurer ..... Date.....

Name and address of treasurer ..... John Dunn, 33 Dickson Drive, Hexham, Northumberland

..... Post Code..... NE46 2RB

### Presentation to the Church trustees

I confirm that the annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2024 were/will be\* presented to the meeting of the Church trustees held on .....

Signature of the Chair of the meeting .....

Name of the Chair of the meeting ..... Date .....

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

**Trinity Methodist Church**

**Charity Number 1126978**

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**HEXHAM TRINITY METHODIST CHURCH**

England & Wales - Charity number 1126978

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# Accounts

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**Registered Charity Number: 1126978**  
**Annual Report to the Charity Commission year ending 31st August 2023**

**Trustees:**

**Minister and Chair of Church Council:**

Rev. Jenny Porter-Pryde

**Church Stewards:**

Mr Neil Paterson, Mrs Elizabeth Box, Mrs Maria Curran, Mrs Penny Clark

**Church Treasurer:**

Mr John Dunn

**Circuit Steward:**

**Church Elected Representatives:**

Mrs Helen Atkin, Mr David Lees, Mrs Jackie Mitchell, Mrs Kay Vincent.

**Other Officers:**

Mr John Vincent (Resources), Ms Helen Atkin (Prayer), Mrs Sue Paterson (Churches Together), r)  
Mrs Fliss Wright and Mrs Sandra Innes (Pastoral Committee)

**Independent Accounts Examiner:**

Mr Phil Rainford

**Staff:**

Minister, as above, Children's Worker (PT), Youth Worker (PT), Caretaker (PT) and Church Administrator (PT)

**Constitution/ Organisational Structure/ Trustee Recruitment:**

Hexham Trinity Methodist Church is constituted and governed in accordance with the principles and constitution of the Methodist Church of Great Britain as set down in the standing orders of the Methodist Conference.

**Management**

The management of the charity is the responsibility of the Trustees (Church Council) who are elected annually at the Church Meeting. The day to day running of the Charity is carried out by the Church Stewards and Minister who are all Trustees. Trustees are elected, for up to six years, to serve on and chair the co-ordinating groups responsible for running the various areas of church life. These groups report back to the Church Council. They comprise the Outreach and Partnership group, Youth, children and families, Resources Co-ordinating Group with responsibility for managing building and resources. A smaller Finance Group also meets as necessary as does an HR Advisory Group. We also have a Pastoral Group who co-ordinate visits and pastoral care.

**Vision**

The vision of Hexham Trinity Methodist Church is to be a place for everyone to question, discover and explore the Christian faith learning to live as followers of Jesus so more people know of God's love.

**Public Benefit:**

The Church building, being sited centrally in one of the main streets of the town provides a convenient and accessible venue for both church and community events. Every Sunday, and at other times through the week, there are services of Christian worship with children's activities and prayer gatherings, accessible to all. The public and members of Trinity Methodist Church benefit from the

many regular and ad-hoc meetings and events held throughout the year. These included: a pancake party, shared lunches, coffee mornings, training sessions, prayer meetings, Fairtrade stall, fundraising events for local and worldwide charities, school carol services and a parent and baby group.

Much of the building at Trinity is available for hire by small independent charities and groups with reduced rates for charity/not for profit groups. The whole community of Hexham is served in many ways by the different activities held here. Many families have a strong connection, some over generations, with the Church and even if not regular Sunday worshipers, feel very much part of Trinity's wider family.

This year the building was used by:

Church Groups:

Baby Group (parents and babies), Bible Study (adults), Coffee Morning (community), Prayer Groups (adults), Craft Group (adults), Youth Groups, Prayer Knitting (adults), the Bible Society.

Community Groups:

**Regular:** Beacon Club (retired gentlemen), Circle Dancing (adults), History Society (adults), Music and Movement (parents and young children), Orpheus Choir (adults), Alcoholics Anonymous, Badminton Group (adults), Tynedale Hospice at Home, Hexham Community Partnership, Hexham Holiday Club, Polling Station, Northumberland Cancer Support Group, Sycamore Counselling, Gymnastics Club (children), Rock Choir (adults), Youth Dance Tynedale (children), Days for Girls (charity), Tynedale Community Choir.

**One-off:**

All of the activities organised by Church Users, are open to the whole community in Hexham, as are many of the others.

**Financial Report:**

Church members are actively involved in the giving and allocating of finances through Church meetings and reports. The wider local circuit of Methodist Churches also help with this process. The financial report which has been independently examined is attached to this report.

THE METHODIST CHURCH  
STANDARD FORM OF ACCOUNTS

Hexham Trinity	Church
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FOR THE YEAR ENDED  
31 August 2023

Tynedale	Circuit	Circuit no	20/08
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Registered Charity - Charity Registration number

1126978
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If not a registered charity Her Majesty's Revenue and  
Customs Gift Aid number

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(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 Jenny Porterpryde
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Church Stewards:

Elizabeth Box
Penny Clark
Maria Curran
Neil Paterson

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Treasurer:

John Dunn
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ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

Hexham Trinity Church

SECTION A		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
		£	£	£	£
a1	<b>RECEIPTS</b>			87,823	114,374
a2	Offerings and Tax recovered	1		87,823	
a3	Bank and CFB interest and Investment income	2	4,184	4,184	422
a4	Lettings	3	22,733	22,733	22,806
a5	Other receipts	4	18,399	18,399	46,544
a6	<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	5	<b>133,139</b>	<b>133,139</b> (a7)	<b>184,146</b>

SECTION B					
b1	<b>PAYMENTS</b>			41,593	71,359
b2	Circuit Assessment or Share	6	41,593		10,124
b3	Donations	7	8,532	8,532	18,813
b4	Repairs and Maintenance	8	9,214	9,214	
b5	Utilities (Insurances, water charges, heating & lighting)	9	13,360	13,360	11,309
b6	Staff	10	65,095	65,095	55,648
b7	Other payments	11	7,063	7,063	19,476
b8	<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>		<b>144,857</b>	<b>144,857</b> (b9)	<b>186,729</b>

SECTION C					
c1	<b>NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR</b>	(a6-b8)	(11,718)	(11,718)	(2,583)
c2	Total funds brought forward from last year	12	171,149	2,973	174,122 (c6)
c3	<b>Sub total</b>	(c1+c2)	159,431	2,973	162,404
c4	Transfers and adjustments	Pass Through Ext Org	(65)		(65) (c7)
c5	<b>TOTAL FUNDS AT END OF YEAR</b>	(c3+c4)	<b>159,366</b>	<b>2,973</b>	<b>162,339</b> (c8)
					<b>174,122</b> (c6)

SECTION D		FOR INFORMATION ONLY: MONEY RECEIVED AND PASSED ON TO EXTERNAL ORGANISATIONS	
d (these amounts are not to be included in total receipts/payments figures above)		£	£
d1	Balance brought forward from last year	65	
d2	Offerings/Gifts - received for external organisations	580	1,075
d3	Offerings/Gifts - passed to external organisations	645	1,010
d4	<b>BALANCE STILL TO BE PAID</b>	(d1+d2-d3)	<b>65</b>

**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 2023 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 Tuesday Coffee		920	(920)		920	
e2						
e3						
e4						
e5						
e6						
e7						
e8 Sub total of Internal Organisations funds		920	(920)		920 (e11)	(e12)
e9 Church accounts (totals brought forward from page 2 - totals column)	133,139 (a7)	144,857 (b9)	(11,718)	(65) (c7)	174,122 (c6)	162,339 (c8)
e10 TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH	133,139	145,777	(12,638)	(65)	175,042 (x)	162,339 (y)
	<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>				

Continue on a separate sheet if necessary and bring the totals forward

**SECTION F**

**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES**

CHURCH - CASH FUNDS HELD at 31 August 2023		OPENING BALANCES	CLOSING BALANCES
f1 Cash in hand	14	22	
f2 Bank Current Account	15	46,180	54,215
f3 Bank Deposit Account			
f4 Central Finance Board		88,497	91,572
f5 Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes		39,444	16,552
f6 Other funds - see note			
f7 SUB TOTAL - Church accounts		174,122 (c6)	162,339 (c8)
f8 Total funds held by Internal Organisations (the closing balance total from above) (e12)		920 (e11)	(e12)
f9 TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH		175,042 (x)	162,339 (y)

**SECTION G**

**OTHER ASSETS and LIABILITIES**

		At 1 September 2022	At 31 August 2023
g1 Investments (include Endowments)			
g2 Land & Buildings (see notes re Insurance value)		7,718,551	8,498,223
g3 Other Assets	16	4,361	5,818
g4 Loan(s) - show amount outstanding at year end			
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 . Trinity Methodist Church (1126978)

## Declarations and Scrutiny

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Signature of treasurer ..... *J. Dunn* ..... Date 6/10/23 .....

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Signature of the Chair of the meeting ..... *Marie L Beard* .....

Name of the Chair of the meeting MARIE L BEARD ..... Date 13/11/23 .....

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

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**Charity Number 1126978**

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**Explanatory Notes to Standard Form of Accounts**  
As of 31/03/2023 - REV 0

**Overview of Trinity's Funds**

- Unrestricted General Funds:**  
 - General (Church) Fund  
 - Tuesday Coffee Group  
 - Designated Funds (Property Reserve Fund, Church Project Fund, Memorial Funds)  
 - Legacies and Bequests held as unrestricted Model Trust Bequests by TMCP

- Restricted Funds:**  
 - Pastoral/Children/Youth Worker Fund  
 - Redevelopment Fund

Incoming Resources <small>Transferred to SOFA Page 2</small>	Year 2022/2023			Year 2021/2022			Year 2020/2021
	General Fund (Unrestricted)	Restricted Funds	Total	General Fund (Unrestricted)	Restricted Funds	Total	Total
<b>1 Offerings and Tax Recovered</b>							£87,161.35
Total Regular Giving and Collections	£65,932.83			£73,944.92			£14,261.00
Total Donations	£5,958.00			£8,144.79			£2,500.00
Donations held in Memorial Funds (M Teasdale)	£1,000.00			£10,000.00			£16,549.80
Tax Recovered	£14,412.41			£22,284.14			£0.00
Tax Recovered for church projects	£0.00			£0.00			£1,004.51
Tuesday Coffee Group	£519.83			£0.00			£121,476.66
	<b>£87,823.07</b>	<b>£0.00</b>	<b>£87,823.07</b>	<b>£114,373.85</b>	<b>£0.00</b>	<b>£114,373.85</b>	
<b>2 Bank and CFB Interest and Investment Income</b>							£121.03
Interest General Fund (CFB Account)	£3,075.22			£368.54			£19.64
Interest TMCP Legacies and Bequests	£1,108.46			£53.49			£140.67
	<b>£4,183.68</b>	<b>£0.00</b>	<b>£4,183.68</b>	<b>£422.03</b>	<b>£0.00</b>	<b>£422.03</b>	
<b>3 Lettings</b>							£10,783.60
Total Property Lettings	£22,732.51	£0.00	£22,732.51	£22,805.70	£0.00	£22,805.70	
<b>4 Other Receipts</b>							£26,423.96
Grants for Pastoral/Children/Youth Work	£15,907.74			£19,121.00			£0.00
Grants for Church Projects	£1,000.00			£0.00			£12,500.26
Grants for Other Purposes	£0.00			£1,750.00			£882.19
Other Receipts	£1,491.59			£673.29			
TMCP Bequest	£0.00			£25,000.00			
	<b>£18,399.33</b>	<b>£0.00</b>	<b>£18,399.33</b>	<b>£46,544.29</b>	<b>£0.00</b>	<b>£46,544.29</b>	<b>£39,806.41</b>
<b>5 Total Receipts</b>							£168,683.19
Total General Fund Receipts	£130,510.30			£149,092.38			£1,004.51
Tuesday Coffee Group	£519.83			£0.00			£2,500.00
Receipt for Memorial Funds (M Teasdale)	£1,000.00			£10,000.00			£19.64
TMCP Account Net Interest	£1,108.46			£53.49			
TMCP Account Receipts	£0.00			£25,000.00			
	<b>£133,138.59</b>	<b>£0.00</b>	<b>£133,138.59</b>	<b>£184,145.87</b>	<b>£0.00</b>	<b>£184,145.87</b>	<b>£172,207.34</b>

## Resources Expended

Transferred to SOFA Page 2

				General Fund (Unrestricted)	Restricted Funds	Total	Total
<b>6 Circuit Assessment</b>							
Circuit Share	£41,593.00	£41,593.00		£71,358.75		£71,358.75	£38,523.00
<b>7 Donations</b>	£8,532.00	£8,532.00		£10,124.00		£10,124.00	£9,950.00
<b>8 Repairs and Maintenance</b>							
Total Property	£9,213.78	£9,213.78		£18,813.28		£18,813.28	£6,312.83
<b>9 Insurance, Utilities etc</b>							
Total Utilities	£13,359.96	£13,359.96		£11,309.22		£11,309.22	£14,668.58
<b>10 Staff</b>	£65,095.13	£65,095.13		£55,647.55		£55,647.55	£51,771.08
<b>11 Other Payments</b>							
Ministry and Mission	£2,729.35			£1,460.08			£783.50
Office Costs	£989.18			£1,373.18			£1,858.61
Other Payments	£3,344.30			£4,643.02			£2,408.00
Pension Fund Deficit	£0.00			£12,000.00			
	£7,062.83	£7,062.83		£19,476.28		£19,476.28	£5,050.11
<b>12 Total Funds Brought Forward From Last Year</b>							
Cash Book Opening Balance	£134,145.20	£2,973.27	£137,118.47	£161,218.86	£2,973.27	£164,192.13	£119,410.53
Cheques and Direct Payments Outstanding	-£1,520.15			-£1,741.94			-£1,267.93
TMCP Opening Balance	£39,443.81			£14,390.32			£14,370.68
Tuesday Coffee Opening Balance	-£919.83			-£200.00			-£1,804.51
	£171,149.03	£2,973.27	£174,122.30	£173,667.24	£2,973.27	£176,640.51	£130,708.77
<b>13 Tuesday Coffee</b>							
Donation Diane Brooks to Restricted Funds (Not Used)	£0.00	£0.00		£0.00		£0.00	£0.00
<b>14 Cash in Hand</b>							
Opening Balance Cash in Hand	£21.50			£39.00			£87.12
Opening Balance Petty Cash Office	£0.00			£94.12			£187.11
	£21.50	£21.50		£133.12		£133.12	£1,044.23
Closing Balance Cash in Hand	£0.00			£21.50			£39.00
Closing Balance Petty Cash Office	£0.00	£0.00		£0.00		£21.50	£94.12
	£0.00	£0.00		£21.50		£21.50	£133.12
<b>15 Bank Current Account</b>							
Opening Balance Barclays Current Account	£48,600.16			£75,930.74			£30,359.06
- Cheques and Direct Payments Outstanding	-£1,520.15			-£1,741.94			-£1,267.93
Adjusted Bank Balance	£47,080.01			£74,188.80			£29,091.13
- Tuesday Coffee Opening Balance	-£919.83			-£200.00			-£1,804.51
	£46,160.18	£46,160.18		£73,988.80		£73,988.80	£27,286.62
Closing Balance Barclays Current Account	£54,214.89			£48,600.16			£75,930.74
- Cheques and Direct Payments Outstanding	£0.00			-£1,520.15			-£1,741.94
Adjusted Bank Balance	£54,214.89			£47,080.01			£74,188.80
- Tuesday Coffee Closing Balance	£0.00			-£919.83			-£200.00
	£54,214.89	£54,214.89		£46,160.18		£46,160.18	£73,988.80
<b>16 Other Assets</b>							
Opening Balance							
-Letting Invoices as yet unpaid	£840.00			£624.00			£628.00
-Application for tax relief made on Gift Aid	£3,521.31			£9,291.49			£4,361.27
	£4,361.31			£9,915.49			£4,989.27
Closing Balance							
-Letting Invoices as yet unpaid	£1,862.00			£840.00			£531.00
-Application for tax relief made on Gift Aid	£3,350.95			£3,521.31			£9,291.49
-West End Final Grant fo Childre's Worker	£605.00						
	£5,817.95			£4,361.31			£9,822.49

(building contents insured for £156,506)  
(building insured for £8,498,223)

## 17 Statement of Assets & Liabilities, Other Funds

The Final Accounts are showing Assets across Barclays, TMCP & CFB Accounts of £454.83, greater than Funds brought forward from 2021/22 plus income less expenditure from 2022/23. The accounts transactions have been reviewed in detail but the reason for the difference has not been identified. As the difference is in favour of the church (ie we have £454.83 more than we can demonstrate) an adjustment has been added at note 16 to balance the accounts

Appendix A to Accounts

Movement of Funds during the year

	UNRESTRICTED			DESIGNATED		Total
	General Church Fund	Childrens & Youth Fund	Property Reserve (**)	Memorial Funds (**)	Revel Fund	
Receipts	£115,259.76	£16,359.00	£0.00	£1,000.00	£0.00	£132,618.76
Payments	£104,848.01	£40,008.69	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£144,856.70
<b>Net Receipts &amp; Payments</b>	<b>£10,411.75</b>	<b>-£23,649.69</b>	<b>£0.00</b>	<b>£1,000.00</b>	<b>£0.00</b>	<b>-£12,237.94</b>
<b>Funds B/F 1 Sept 22</b>	<b>£71,856.18</b>	<b>£0.00</b>	<b>£68,000.00</b>	<b>£31,227.85</b>	<b>£2,973.27</b>	<b>£174,057.30</b>
Sub Total	£82,267.93	-£23,649.69	£68,000.00	£32,227.85	£2,973.27	£161,819.36
Transfers between Funds	-£24,000.00	£24,000.00	£10,000.00	-£10,000.00	£0.00	
<b>Balance c/f 31 Aug 23</b>	<b>£58,267.93</b>	<b>£350.31</b>	<b>£78,000.00</b>	<b>£22,227.85</b>	<b>£2,973.27</b>	<b>£161,819.36</b>

Notes to Appendix A

	2022/23 (*)	2021/22	2020/21
Children & Youth Worker Payment			
- Childrens ministry coordinator	£23,059.12	£20,836.75	£21,160.59
- Youth ministries coordinator	£16,949.57	£15,930.77	£12,820.58
(*) Excludes Redundancy Payment of £5,044.78	<b>£40,008.69</b>	<b>£36,767.52</b>	<b>£33,981.17</b>

(\*\*) £10k should have been transferred in 2021/22, but not transferred to 2022/23

Overheads associated with the Children's & Youth Work were not specifically allocated in 2022/23 so do not appear in the above reconciliation

Appendix B

TMCP Account (On application)

Amount	<b>£16,552.27</b>
Made up of:	£8,000.00 Margaret Bainbridge Endowment
	£2,000.00 Elizabeth Howey Endowment
	£25,000.00 John William Turner Endowment
	-£24,000.00 Transfer to General Fund for Y&CW Costs 2022/23)
	£5,552.27 Accrued interest

Appendix C

Memorial Funds (Agreed with Church Council)

Amount	<b>£22,227.85</b>
Made up of:	£10,082.35 Opening balance received from TMCP (2007/8)
	£545.50 David Bingham Memorial service (2010/11)
	£1,000.00 Billie Brogdon legacy (2012/13)
	£5,000.00 Irene Grant legacy (2014/15)
	£2,000.00 JE Gilhespy legacy (2015/16)
	£500.00 Isabel Barton (2020/21)
	£2,000.00 Jean Thompson (2020/21)
	£10,000.00 Anne Hunter (2021/22)
	-£10,000.00 Transferred to Property Reserve Fund (2022/23) - Should have been transferred the FY before, but missed
	£1,000.00 Mary Emeline Teasdale (2022/23)

Name of Church . Trinity Methodist Church (1126978)

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Signature of treasurer ..... *[Signature]* ..... Date... 6/10/23 .....

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Signature of the Chair of the meeting ..... *Marie L Beard* .....

Name of the Chair of the meeting *MARIE L BEARD* ..... Date .. 13/11/23 .....

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

**Trinity Methodist Church**

**Charity Number 1126978**

### Responsibilities and basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Trinity Methodist Church for the year ended 31 August 2023 set out on pages ... to .... 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').

I report in respect of my examination of the Church's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and, in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

\* delete or circle as appropriate

Name of Church . Trinity Methodist Church (1126978)

### 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:

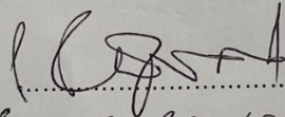
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- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records.

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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



Name of independent examiner

PHILIP RAINFORD

Relevant professional qualification of independent examiner

N/A  
PREVIOUSLY ACA, NOW RETIRED

Name of firm (where appropriate)

N/A

Address

9 COLLINGWOOD DRIVE, HEXHAM

NORTHUMBERLAND

Post Code NE46 2JA

Date

7/11/23

\* delete or circle as appropriate

Sep-23

**HEXHAM TRINITY METHODIST CHURCH**

England & Wales - Charity number 1126978

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# Accounts

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# INTERNAL ORGANISATIONS' REPORT FORM

This form should be used in conjunction with the STANDARD FORM OF ACCOUNTS (Church, Circuit & District)

A separate Report Form should be prepared for each Internal Organisation

## RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

Note

### SECTION H

#### RECEIPTS

h1	Gifts & donations		919.83
h2	Other receipts		
h3	<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS (to Receipts col page 3 in the main accounts)</b>		<b>919.83</b>

### SECTION I

#### PAYMENTS

i1	Donations		200
i2	Other payments		
i3	<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS (to Payments col page 3 in the main accounts)</b>		<b>200</b>

### SECTION J

j1	<b>NET RECEIPTS (PAYMENTS)</b>	(h3 - i3)	<b>719.83</b>
j2	<b>OPENING BALANCE (to Opening balance column page 3 in the main accounts)</b>		200
j3	Adjustments (show any negative adjustments in brackets)		
j4	<b>CLOSING BALANCE (to Closing balance col. page 3 in the main accounts)</b>	(j1+j2+/-j3)	<b>919.83</b>

### SECTION K

#### HOW THE FUNDS ARE HELD

k1	Cash in hand		
k2	Cash at Bank/CFB etc		919.83
k3	Other accounts		
k4	<b>TOTAL FUNDS HELD (should agree with line j4 above)</b>	(k1+k2+k3)	<b>919.83</b>

### SECTION M

#### FOR INFORMATION ONLY: MONEY RECEIVED AND PASSED ON TO OTHER EXTERNAL ORGANISATIONS

(These amounts should not be included in total receipts/payments above)

m1	Balance brought forward from last year		
m2	Offerings/Gifts - received for external organisations		
m3	Offerings/Gifts - passed to external organisations		
m4	<b>BALANCE STILL TO BE PAID</b>	(m1+m2-m3)	

## THE METHODIST CHURCH

### INTERNAL ORGANISATION REPORT FORM                      FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

Each year every organisation connected with a local Church, Circuit or District is required by Standing Orders to present its accounts to the Church Council/Circuit Meeting/Synod.

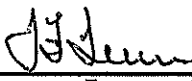
The Managing Trustees are annually required to complete the Annual Accounts setting out the financial affairs of the Church/Circuit/District including all its connected internal organisations.

This form (which can be used for a Church/Circuit, District organisation) requires details of the accounts of your organisation so that all responsibilities can be fulfilled. We ask for your co-operation which will ensure proper public accountability and the protection of those who willingly act as treasurers.

Circuit/District	CIRCUIT: <u>Tynedale</u>	DISTRICT: <u>20.08</u>
Group/Organisation	<u>Hexham Trinity Methodist Church / Tuesday Coffee Group</u>	

Signatures section

I confirm that I have prepared the information overleaf from the accounts and records of the above named Group or Organisation

  
Treasurer of Group or Organisation

14/11/22  
Date

I confirm that I have examined the accounts and records of the

HEXHAM TRINITY METHODIST CHURCH / TUE COFFEE GROUP.

and that the information overleaf is in accordance therewith.

PHILIP RAINFORD  
Independent Examiner

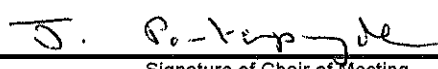
7/12/22  
Date

I confirm that the information overleaf has been prepared from independently examined/~~audited~~ accounts which were/will be presented to

Church Council

at a meeting which I chaired/intend to chair on

12/03/23  
Date

  
Signature of Chair of Meeting

29/03/23  
Date

This form can be used by Church, Circuit and District Internal Organisations who report to their respective Methodist bodies.

**THE METHODIST CHURCH  
STANDARD FORM OF ACCOUNTS**

<b>Hexham Trinity</b>	<b>Church</b>
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**FOR THE YEAR ENDED  
31 August 2022**

<b>Tynedale</b>	<b>Circuit</b>	<b>Circuit no</b>
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<b>20/08</b>
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**Registered Charity - Charity Registration number**

<b>1126978</b>
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**If not a registered charity Her 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:**

<b>Rev Jenny Porterpryde</b>
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**Church Stewards:**

Elizabeth Box
Mark Foster
Penny Clark
Neil Paterson
Maria Curran

**Treasurer:**

<b>John Dunn</b>
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SECTION A		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
		£	£	£	£
a1	<b>RECEIPTS</b>	Note			
a2	Offerings and Tax recovered	1	114,374	114,374	121,477
a3	Bank and CFB interest and Investment income	2	422	422	141
a4	Lettings	3	22,806	22,806	10,784
a5	Other receipts	4	46,544	46,544	39,806
a6	<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>184,146</b>	<b>184,146 (a7)</b>	<b>172,207</b>

SECTION B					
b1	<b>PAYMENTS</b>				
b2	Circuit Assessment or Share	6	71,359	71,359	38,523
b3	Donations	7	10,124	10,124	9,950
b4	Repairs and Maintenance	8	18,813	18,813	6,313
b5	Utilities (Insurances, water charges, heating & lighting)	9	11,309	11,309	14,669
b6	Staff	10	55,648	55,648	51,771
b7	Other payments	11	19,476	19,476	5,050
b8	<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>		<b>186,729</b>	<b>186,729 (b9)</b>	<b>126,276</b>

SECTION C					
c1	<b>NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR</b>	<b>(a6-b8)</b>	<b>(2,583)</b>	<b>(2,583)</b>	<b>45,932</b>
c2	Total funds brought forward from last year	12	173,667	2,973	176,641 (c6)
c3	<b>Sub total</b>	<b>(c1+c2)</b>	<b>171,084</b>	<b>2,973</b>	<b>174,057</b>
c4	Transfers and adjustments				(c7)
c5	<b>TOTAL FUNDS AT END OF YEAR</b>	<b>(c3+c4)</b>	<b>171,084</b>	<b>2,973</b>	<b>174,057 (c8)</b>
					<b>176,641 (c6)</b>

SECTION D			
<b>FOR INFORMATION ONLY: MONEY RECEIVED AND PASSED ON TO EXTERNAL ORGANISATIONS</b>			
d	<b>(these amounts are not to be included in total receipts/payments figures above)</b>		
		£	£
d1	Balance brought forward from last year		
d2	Offerings/Gifts - received for external organisations	1,075	275
d3	Offerings/Gifts - passed to external organisations	1,010	275
d4	<b>BALANCE STILL TO BE PAID</b>	<b>(d1+d2-d3)</b>	<b>65</b>

**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 2022 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	Tuesday Coffee	920	200	720		200	920
e2							
e3							
e4							
e5							
e6							
e7							
e8	Sub total of Internal Organisations funds	920	200	720		200 (e11)	920 (e12)
e9	Church accounts (totals brought forward from page 2 - totals column)	184,146 (a7)	186,729 (b9)	(2,583)	(c7)	176,641 (c6)	174,057 (c8)
e10	<b>TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH</b>	<b>185,066</b>	<b>186,929</b>	<b>(1,863)</b>		<b>176,841 (x)</b>	<b>174,977 (y)</b>
		<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>				

Continue on a separate sheet if necessary and bring the totals forward

**SECTION F****STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES****CHURCH - CASH FUNDS HELD at 31 August 2022**

		OPENING BALANCES	CLOSING BALANCES	
f1	Cash in hand	14	133	22
f2	Bank Current Account	15	73,989	46,160
f3	Bank Deposit Account			
f4	Central Finance Board		88,128	88,497
f5	Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes		14,390	39,444
f6	Other funds (External Org still to pay SECTION D)			(65)
f7	<b>SUB TOTAL - Church accounts</b>		<b>176,641 (c6)</b>	<b>174,057 (c8)</b>
f8	Total funds held by Internal Organisations (the closing balance total from above) (e12)		<b>200 (e11)</b>	<b>920 (e12)</b>
f9	<b>TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH</b>		<b>176,841 (x)</b>	<b>174,977 (y)</b>

**SECTION G****OTHER ASSETS and LIABILITIES**

		At 1 September 2021	At 31 August 2022	
g1	Investments (include Endowments)			
g2	Land & Buildings (see notes re Insurance value)	6,861,882	7,718,551	
g3	Other Assets	16	9,822	4,361
g4	Loan(s) - show amount outstanding at year end			
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 . Trinity Methodist Church (1126978)

## Declarations and Scrutiny

I confirm that these Receipt and Payment based accounts for the year to 31 August 2022 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. Dunn* ..... Date... *14/11/22* .....

Name and address of treasurer ..... John Dunn, 33 Dickson Drive, Hexham, Northumberland

..... Post Code..... NE46 2RB

### Presentation to the Church trustees

I confirm that the annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2022 were/will be\* presented to the meeting of the Church trustees held on ..... *12/03/23* .....

Signature of the Chair of the meeting ..... *J. Parker-Jade* .....

Name of the Chair of the meeting ..... *J. Parker-Jade* ..... Date ..... *12/3/23* .....

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

**Trinity Methodist Church**

**Charity Number 1126978**

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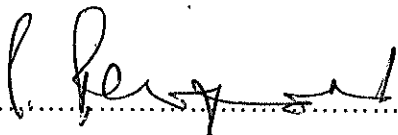
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Signature of independent examiner ..... 

Name of independent examiner ..... PHILIP RAINFORD

Relevant professional qualification of independent examiner ..... N/A  
PREVIOUSLY ACA, NOW RETIRED

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

Address ..... 9, COLLINGWOOD DRIVE, HEXHAM,

..... NORTHAMBERLAND ..... Post Code NE46 2JA

Date ..... 7/12/22

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# RESERVES POLICY

Report on behalf of

Hexham Trinity Methodist Church  
 (\*Church Council / Circuit Meeting/District)

To

Tynedale Methodist Circuit  
 (\*Circuit Meeting / District)

We submit our annual report in accordance with the requirements of the Methodist Conference and the Charity Commission guidance in CC19.

- (i) The trustees have established their mission aims taking into account all of the resources available in terms of people, property and money
- (ii) Mission initiatives/projects have been costed or estimates made of projected future costs which take into account the needs of the buildings and the requirements of the Quinquennial Inspection Report/s

- (iii) We have agreed a Reserves Policy which is set out overleaf and is recorded in the trustees' minutes and our Annual Report
- (iv) We recognise the need to be accountable as charity trustees for all the money which comes into our hands and will provide further information as required by the Circuit/District/Connexion
- (v) Our Report is attached overleaf →

\* please delete as appropriate

## To be completed by Receiving Body

The   
 \*Circuit Meeting/District received the RESERVES POLICY of  
  
 \*Church Council/Circuit Meeting/District

Policy accepted and acknowledgement sent to the trustees YES  / NO

Policy noted and the following enquiries made of the trustees

Responses received and any further action taken

\*Circuit/District

Signatures ..... Date.....  
 \* Please delete as appropriate

## RESERVES POLICY of

**Hexham Trinity Methodist Church**(\*Church Council /Circuit Meeting /District )

1. <b>General Funds held at Y/E 31/08/2022</b>	<b>CASH BOOK BASIS:</b> <b>£172,068.86</b> total which is made up as follows: (a) £32,477.37 General Fund (b) £919.83 Tuesday Coffee Group (c) £99,227.85 Designated Funds (d) £39,443.81 Legacies (TMCP)
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2. <b>Restricted Funds held</b>	<b>£2,973.27</b> total which is made up as follows: (e) £2,973.27 Redevelopment Fund
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3. <b>Endowment Funds held</b>	£nil
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<p>4. <b>Reserves policy for General Funds</b></p> <p>Hexham Trinity Methodist Church's Reserves Policy deals with the following General Funds:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) Principal General Fund</li> <li>(b) Tuesday Coffee Group Fund</li> <li>(c) Designated Funds</li> <li>(d) Legacies and Bequests</li> </ul> <p>Other funds also held which are NOT required to be included in our reserves are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(e) Children/Youth Workers Fund</li> <li>(f) Redevelopment Fund</li> </ul> <p><b>Our Reserves</b></p> <p>(a) General Fund          Trinity intends to hold in reserve sufficient money in the General Fund to cover three months' (13 weeks) average expenditure in a normal (non-pandemic) year, approx. £40,000. At the end of the financial year, £32,477.37 was available, which provides contingency cover for approximately 10 weeks. This compares to the position a year earlier, when on a like for like basis, contingency cover was 14 weeks, a reduction of 4 weeks. Compared to 2020/21 General Fund overall Reserves have decreased by £1,798.38, although the mix has changed from General Fund Account to TMCP Account as referenced in d) below.</p>
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In the next 12 months we have sufficient cash to meet our commitments, but beyond this we have a significant forecast deficit, driven by projected increasing utility and staff costs and falling giving/grants. We will use our current Reserves to manage year 2022/23, together with a suite of measures to improve the position in 2024 and 2025 (ie: Further Grants, Overheads Challenge, Review of Staffing Levels and Cost Optimisation with other Churches)

**(b) Tuesday Coffee Group**

The Tuesday Coffee Group operates as an internal organisation reporting to the Church Council. The group raises money for good causes, and the work of Trinity. All money raised in a year, is allocated, and then expensed in the following year. The Group has had minimal meetings since the pandemic and will close in the 2022/23 financial year. Residual funds will be distributed to good causes in agreement with the Coffee Group members

**(c) Designated Funds**

These chiefly comprise the Memorial Funds and the Property Reserve Fund. The Memorial Fund holds money given to Trinity by or in memory of members who have passed away (see Appendix C to Explanatory Notes to Standard Form of Accounts), and designated for appropriate church development projects. The policy for the Property Reserve Fund is based on an annual budget set for major repair works, which was reduced as a part of tightening budgetary control, to £7,000 per annum in 2019/20 and will continue as such. The Property Reserve Fund currently sits at £78,000, just below its agreed limit of £80,000. It was agreed at Church Council to make a voluntary donation of £12,000 to the Methodist Ministers Pensions Reserve Fund during 2021/22 and this was funded from the Property Reserve Fund. A bequest of £10,000 from Anne Hunter was used to largely backfill this payment leaving the fund £2,000 behind its target level. Through the Resources Group, we are investigating a staged replacement of Trinity's central heating boilers and the Property Reserve Fund would be used to facilitate this. Building and content are currently insured at £7.86m.

**(d) Legacies and Bequests**

These are TMCP Model Trust Bequests and benefited from a £25,000 bequest in 2021/22. Subject to approval, it is proposed to use a proportion of this to fund our Youth and Children's work in the 2022/23 financial year, in memory of the benefactor (see Appendix B to Explanatory Notes to Standard Form of Accounts)

**5. Policy for Restricted Funds**

**(e) Children/Youth Worker Fund**

This fund supports the employment of the part-time Youth Worker and Children Worker's roles. The fund is financed by:

- A Methodist Church Newcastle Upon Tyne District Grant, to the value of £48,579.58 over 4 years which commenced 1 Sept 2019
- The Point, an independent church in Hexham
- The Children's worker also supports West End Church in Hexham on a reimbursable basis.
- It is intended to supplement the fund with a contribution from the TMCP account as discussed in 4d) above

The annual cost of the Youth & Children's Worker was £36,767.52, so the above Grants cover approximately 52% of the cost, with the balance coming from the General Fund. We are also exploring sharing the costs and services of our Youth & Children's Workers with other Christian Establishments in the Tynedale Area

**(f) Redevelopment Fund**

This fund holds £2,973.27 and was held as the starting point for the redevelopment of the Church Foyer. This project was put on hold during the pandemic and remains as such. We may require some minor electrical works and re-decoration in the foyer this coming financial year and if so will use this fund.

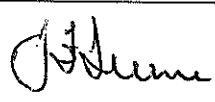
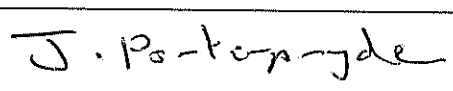
6. Terms relating to Endowment Funds held

n/a

This Reserves Policy has been approved by

[Redacted box]

(\*Church Council /Circuit Meeting /District )

Treasurer	Trustee
Full name: John Dunn	Full Name: Rev Jenny Porterpyde
Signature 	Signature 

**HEXHAM TRINITY METHODIST CHURCH**

England & Wales - Charity number 1126978

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# Accounts

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**Registered Charity Number: 1126978**

**Annual Report to the Charity Commission year ending 31st August 2021**

**Trustees:**

**Minister and Chair of Church Council:**

Rev. David Goodall (to March 2021) and Rev Paul Dunstan

**Church Stewards:**

Mr Neil Paterson, Mrs Alison Killen, Mrs Elizabeth Box, Mr Daryl Ralston, Mr Mark Foster,  
Mrs Maria Curran

**Church Treasurer:**

Mr John Dunn

**Circuit Steward:**

Dr Alan Wright (also chairs Worship, Prayer and Learning Co-ordinating Group)

**Church Elected Representatives:**

Mrs Helen Atkin, Mr Darryl Bingham, Mr David Lees, Mrs Jackie Mitchell, Miss Liz Proud,  
Mrs Kay Vincent.

**Other Officers:**

Mr Peter Wells (Resources), Ms Helen Atkin (Prayer), Mrs Sue Paterson (Churches  
Together), Dr Alan Wright (Worship, Prayer and Learning) Mrs Fliss Wright and Mrs  
Sandra Innes (Pastoral Committee)

**Independent Accounts Examiner:**

Mr Phil Rainford

**Staff:**

Minister, as above, Children's Worker (PT), Youth Worker (PT), Caretaker (PT) and  
Church Administrator (PT)

**Constitution/ Organisational Structure/ Trustee Recruitment:**

Hexham Trinity Methodist Church is constituted and governed in accordance with the  
principles and constitution of the Methodist Church of Great Britain as set down in the  
standing orders of the Methodist Conference.

**Management**

The management of the charity is the responsibility of the Trustees (Church Council)  
who are elected annually at the Church Meeting. The day to day running of the Charity is  
carried out by the Church Stewards and Minister who are all Trustees. Trustees are  
elected, for up to six years, to serve on and chair the co-ordinating groups responsible  
for running the various areas of church life. These groups report back to the Church  
Council. They comprise the Outreach and Partnership group, Youth, children and families,  
Resources Co-ordinating Group with responsibility for managing building and resources.  
A smaller Finance Group also meets as necessary as does an HR Advisory Group. We also  
have a Pastoral Group who co-ordinate visits and pastoral care.

## **Vision**

The vision of Hexham Trinity Methodist Church is to be a place for everyone to question, discover and explore the Christian faith learning to live as followers of Jesus so more people know of God's love.

## **Public Benefit:**

The Church building, being sited centrally in one of the main streets of the town provides a convenient and accessible venue for both church and community events. Every Sunday, and at other times through the week, there are services of Christian worship with children's activities and prayer gatherings, accessible to all. The public and members of Trinity Methodist Church benefit from the many regular and ad-hoc meetings and events held throughout the year. These included: a pancake party, shared lunches, coffee mornings, training sessions, prayer meetings, Fairtrade stall, fundraising events for local and worldwide charities, school carol services and a parent and baby group.

Much of the building at Trinity is available for hire by small independent charities and groups with reduced rates for charity/not for profit groups. The whole community of Hexham is served in many ways by the different activities held here. Many families have a strong connection, some over generations, with the Church and even if not regular Sunday worshipers, feel very much part of Trinity's wider family.

This year the building was used by:

### Church Groups:

Baby Group (parents and babies), Bible Study (adults), Coffee Morning (community), Prayer Groups (adults), Craft Group (adults), Youth Groups, Prayer Knitting (adults), the Bible Society.

### Community Groups:

**Regular:** Beacon Club (retired gentlemen), Circle Dancing (adults), History Society (adults), Music and Movement (parents and young children), Orpheus Choir (adults), U3A (retired adults), Alcoholics Anonymous, Badminton Group (adults), Tynedale Hospice at Home, Hexham Community Partnership, Hexham Holiday Club, Polling Station, Northumberland Cancer Support Group, Sycamore Counselling, Gymnastics Club (children), Rock Choir (adults), Youth Dance Tynedale (children), Days for Girls (charity).

### **One-off:**

All of the activities above organised by Church Users, are open to the whole community in Hexham, as are many of the others.

**Covid-19:** Following the relaxing of Covid restrictions the worshipping community began to meet in church and also continued to use video conferencing software for worshippers who continued to shield. Official meetings continued online. An online coffee morning on Saturdays continued to run weekly and small study/pastoral groups also continue to meet online. Community groups began to use the building in person.

## **Financial Report:**

Church members are actively involved in the giving and allocating of finances through Church meetings and reports. The wider local circuit of Methodist Churches also help with this process.

The financial report which has been independently examined is attached to this report.

**Registered Charity Number: 1126978**

**Annual Report to the Charity Commission year ending 31st August 2021**

**Trustees:**

**Minister and Chair of Church Council:**

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As of 05/10/2021 - REV 1 (updated 16, Other Assets)

### Overview of Trinity's Funds

#### Unrestricted General Funds:

- General (Church) Fund
- Tuesday Coffee Group
- Designated Funds (Property Reserve Fund, Church Project Fund, Memorial Funds)
- Legacies and Bequests held as unrestricted Model Trust Bequests by TMCP

#### Restricted Funds:

- Pastoral/Children/Youth Worker Fund
- Redevelopment Fund

### Incoming Resources

Transferred to SOFA Page 2

	Year 2020/2021			Year 2019/2020			Year 2018/2019
	General Fund (Unrestricted)	Restricted Funds	Total	General Fund (Unrestricted)	Restricted Funds	Total	Total
<b>1 Offerings and Tax Recovered</b>							
Total Regular Giving and Collections	£87,161.35			£84,287.58			£86,789.32
Total Donations	£14,261.00			£4,748.46			£4,192.19
Donations held in Memorial Funds (I Barton/J Thompson)	£2,500.00			£0.00			£0.00
Tax Recovered	£16,549.80			£16,999.88			£22,684.66
Tax Recovered for church projects	£0.00			£0.00			£0.00
Tuesday Coffee Group	£1,004.51			£2,829.08			£1,436.10
	<b>£121,476.66</b>	<b>£0.00</b>	<b>£121,476.66</b>	<b>£108,865.00</b>	<b>£0.00</b>	<b>£108,865.00</b>	<b>£115,102.27</b>
<b>2 Bank and CFB Interest and Investment Income</b>							
Interest General Fund	£121.03			£625.64			£593.66
Interest TMCP Legacies and Bequests	£19.64			£94.27			£92.19
	<b>£140.67</b>	<b>£0.00</b>	<b>£140.67</b>	<b>£719.91</b>	<b>£0.00</b>	<b>£719.91</b>	<b>£685.85</b>
<b>3 Lettings</b>							
Total Property Lettings	<b>£10,783.60</b>	<b>£0.00</b>	<b>£10,783.60</b>	<b>£20,287.20</b>	<b>£0.00</b>	<b>£20,287.20</b>	<b>£22,131.56</b>
<b>4 Other Receipts</b>							
Grants for Pastoral/Children/Youth Work	£26,423.96			£21,732.74			£32,754.32
Grants for Church Projects	£0.00			£0.00			£200.00
Grants for Other Purposes	£12,500.26			£0.00			£0.00
Other Receipts	£882.19			£4,928.69			£4,753.40
	<b>£39,806.41</b>	<b>£0.00</b>	<b>£39,806.41</b>	<b>£26,661.43</b>	<b>£0.00</b>	<b>£26,661.43</b>	<b>£37,707.72</b>
<b>5 Total Receipts</b>							
Total General Fund Receipts	£168,683.19			£153,610.19			£174,099.11
Tuesday Coffee Group	£1,004.51			£2,829.08			£1,436.10
Receipt for Memorial Funds (I Barton/J Thompson)	£2,500.00			£0.00			£0.00
TMCP Account Net Interest	£19.64			£94.27			£92.19
	<b>£172,207.34</b>	<b>£0.00</b>	<b>£172,207.34</b>	<b>£156,533.54</b>	<b>£0.00</b>	<b>£156,533.54</b>	<b>£175,627.40</b>

## Resources Expended

Transferred to SOFA Page 2

	General Fund (Unrestricted)	Restricted Funds	Total	General Fund (Unrestricted)	Restricted Funds	Total	Total
<b>6 Circuit Assessment</b>							
Circuit Share	£38,523.00		£38,523.00	£72,840.00	£0.00	£72,840.00	£67,601.00
<b>7 Donations</b>	£9,950.00		£9,950.00	£12,027.20	£0.00	£12,027.20	£10,500.00
<b>8 Repairs and Maintenance</b>							
Total Property	£6,312.83		£6,312.83	£5,333.51	£1,260.00	£6,593.51	£7,156.98
<b>9 Insurance, Utilities etc</b>							
Total Utilities	£14,668.58		£14,668.58	£13,382.45		£13,382.45	£14,223.40
<b>10 Staff</b>	£51,771.08		£51,771.08	£54,501.22		£54,501.22	£51,010.44
<b>11 Other Payments</b>							
Ministry and Mission	£783.50			£3,739.37			£8,722.70
Office Costs	£1,858.61			£3,281.74			£3,613.39
Other Payments	£2,408.00			£4,022.28			£6,473.88
	£5,050.11		£5,050.11	£11,043.39		£11,043.39	£18,809.97
<b>12 Total Funds Brought Forward From Last Year</b>							
Cash Book Opening Balance	£116,437.26	£2,973.27	£119,410.53	£132,158.44	£4,233.27	£136,391.71	£127,808.56
Cheques and Direct Payments Outstanding	-£1,267.93			-£2,876.04			-£919.29
TMCP Opening Balance	£14,370.68			£14,276.41			£14,184.22
Tuesday Coffee Opening Balance	-£1,804.51			-£3,229.08			-£2,836.10
	£127,735.50	£2,973.27	£130,708.77	£140,329.73	£4,233.27	£144,563.00	£138,237.39
<b>13 Tuesday Coffee</b>							
Donation Diane Brooks to Restricted Funds (Not Used)	£0.00		£0.00	£0.00		£0.00	£0.00
<b>14 Cash in Hand</b>							
Opening Balance Cash in Hand	£857.12			£1,919.35			£0.00
Opening Balance Petty Cash Office	£187.11			£300.00			£300.00
	£1,044.23		£1,044.23	£2,219.35		£2,219.35	£300.00
Closing Balance Cash in Hand	£39.00			£857.12			£1,919.35
Closing Balance Petty Cash Office	£94.12			£187.11			£300.00
	£133.12		£133.12	£1,044.23		£1,044.23	£2,219.35
<b>15 Bank Current Account</b>							
Opening Balance Barclays Current Account	£30,359.06			£46,790.76			£40,720.62
- Cheques and Direct Payments Outstanding	-£1,267.93			-£2,876.04			-£919.29
Adjusted Bank Balance	£29,091.13			£43,914.72			£39,801.33
- Tuesday Coffee Opening Balance	-£1,804.51			-£3,229.08			-£2,836.10
	£27,286.62		£27,286.62	£40,685.64		£40,685.64	£36,965.23
Closing Balance Barclays Current Account	£75,930.74			£30,359.06			£46,790.76
- Cheques and Direct Payments Outstanding	-£1,741.94			-£1,267.93			-£2,876.04
Adjusted Bank Balance	£74,188.80			£29,091.13			£43,914.72
- Tuesday Coffee Closing Balance	-£200.00			-£1,804.51			-£3,229.08
	£73,988.80		£73,988.80	£27,286.62		£27,286.62	£40,685.64
<b>16 Other Assets</b>							
Opening Balance							
-Letting Invoices as yet unpaid	£628.00			£362.00			£427.00
-Application for tax relief made on Gift Aid	£4,361.27			£4,189.63			£9,281.91
	£4,989.27			£4,551.63			£9,708.91
Closing Balance							
-Letting Invoices as yet unpaid	£531.00			£628.00			£230.00
-Application for tax relief made on Gift Aid	£9,291.49			£4,361.27			£4,189.63
	£9,822.49			£4,989.27			£4,419.63

(building contents insured for £128,177)

## Appendix A to Accounts

### Movement of Funds during the year

	UNRESTRIC'T'D	UNRESTRIC'T'D	DESIGNATED	DESIGNATED	RESTRIC'D	Total
	General Church Fund	Childrens & Youth Fund	Property Reserve	Memorial Funds	Redevel Fund	Total
Receipts	£143,283.38	£26,423.96	£0.00	£2,500.00	£0.00	£172,207.34
Payments	£92,294.43	£33,981.17	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£126,275.60
<b>Net Receipts &amp; Payments</b>	<b>£50,988.95</b>	<b>-£7,557.21</b>	<b>£0.00</b>	<b>£2,500.00</b>	<b>£0.00</b>	<b>£45,931.74</b>
<b>Funds B/F 1 Sept 20</b>	<b>£29,007.65</b>	<b>£0.00</b>	<b>£80,000.00</b>	<b>£18,727.85</b>	<b>£2,973.27</b>	<b>£130,708.77</b>
Sub Total	£79,996.60	-£7,557.21	£80,000.00	£21,227.85	£2,973.27	£176,640.51
Transfers between Funds	-£7,557.21	£7,557.21	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	
<b>Balance c/f 31 Aug 21</b>	<b>£72,439.39</b>	<b>£0.00</b>	<b>£80,000.00</b>	<b>£21,227.85</b>	<b>£2,973.27</b>	<b>£176,640.51</b>

### Notes to Appendix A

	2020/21	2019/20	2018/19
Children & Youth Worker Payment			
- Childrens ministry coordinator	£21,160.59	£20,523.41	£18,506.94
- Youth ministries coordinator	£12,820.58	£15,105.29	£14,291.84
	<b>£33,981.17</b>	<b>£35,628.70</b>	<b>£32,798.78</b>

Overheads associated with the Children's & Youth Work were not specifically allocated in 2020/21 so do not appear in the above reconciliation

**Appendix B**

**TMCP Account (On application)**

Amount

Made up of:

**£14,390.32**

£8,000.00 Margaret Bainbridge Endowment

£2,000.00 Elizabeth Howey Endowment

£4,390.32 Accrued interest

**Appendix C**

**Memorial Funds (Agreed with Church Council)**

Amount

Made up of:

**£21,227.85**

£10,082.35 Opening balance received from TMCP (2007/8)

£645.50 David Bingham Memorial service (2010/11)

£1,000.00 Billie Brogdon legacy (2012/13)

£5,000.00 Irene Grant legacy (2014/15)

£2,000.00 JE Gilhespy legacy (2015/16)

£500.00 Isabel Barton (2020/21)

£2,000.00 Jean Thompson (2020/21)

**HEXHAM TRINITY METHODIST CHURCH**

England & Wales - Charity number 1126978

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# Accounts

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THE METHODIST CHURCH  
STANDARD FORM OF ACCOUNTS

Hexham Trinity

Church

FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31 August 2020

Tynedale

Circuit

Circuit no

20/08

Registered Charity - Charity Registration number

1126978

If not a registered charity Her 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)

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Mark Foster

Alison Killen

Neil Paterson

Daryl Ralston

Maria Curran

Treasurer:

John Dunn

SECTION A			Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
			£	£	£	£
a1	<b>RECEIPTS</b>	<b>Note</b>				
a2	Offerings and Tax recovered	1	108,865		108,865	115,102
a3	Bank and CFB interest and Investment income	2	720		720	686
a4	Lettings	3	20,287		20,287	22,132
a5	Other receipts	4	26,661		26,661	37,708
a6	<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>156,534</b>		<b>156,534 (a7)</b>	<b>175,627</b>

SECTION B						
b1	<b>PAYMENTS</b>					
b2	Circuit Assessment or Share	6	72,840		72,840	67,601
b3	Donations	7	12,027		12,027	10,500
b4	Repairs and Maintenance	8	5,334	1,260	6,594	7,157
b5	Utilities (Insurances, water charges, heating & lighting)	9	13,382		13,382	14,223
b6	Staff	10	54,501		54,501	51,010
b7	Other payments	11	11,043		11,043	18,810
b8	<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>		<b>169,128</b>	<b>1,260</b>	<b>170,388 (b9)</b>	<b>169,302</b>

SECTION C						
c1	<b>NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR</b>	<b>(a6-b8)</b>	<b>(12,594)</b>	<b>(1,260)</b>	<b>(13,854)</b>	<b>6,326</b>
c2	Total funds brought forward from last year	12	140,330	4,233	144,563 (c6)	138,237
c3	<b>Sub total</b>	<b>(c1+c2)</b>	<b>127,736</b>	<b>2,973</b>	<b>130,709</b>	<b>144,563</b>
c4	Transfers and adjustments				(c7)	
c5	<b>TOTAL FUNDS AT END OF YEAR</b>	<b>(c3+c4)</b>	<b>127,736</b>	<b>2,973</b>	<b>130,709 (c8)</b>	<b>144,563 (c6)</b>

SECTION D						
<b>FOR INFORMATION ONLY: MONEY RECEIVED AND PASSED ON TO EXTERNAL ORGANISATIONS</b>						
d	<b>(these amounts are not to be included in total receipts/payments figures above)</b>				<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
d1	Balance brought forward from last year					
d2	Offerings/Gifts - received for external organisations				276	720
d3	Offerings/Gifts - passed to external organisations				276	720
d4	<b>BALANCE STILL TO BE PAID (d1+d2-d3)</b>					

**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 2020 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 Tuesday Coffee	1,805	3,229	(1,425)		3,229	1,805
e2						
e3						
e4						
e5						
e6						
e7						
e8 Sub total of Internal Organisations funds	1,805	3,229	(1,425)		3,229 (e11)	1,805 (e12)
e9 Church accounts (totals brought forward from page 2 - totals column)	156,534 (a7)	170,388 (b9)	(13,854)	(c7)	144,563 (c6)	130,709 (c8)
e10 TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH	158,338	173,617	(15,279)		147,792 (x)	132,513 (y)
	<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>				

Continue on a separate sheet if necessary and bring the totals forward

**SECTION F****STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES****CHURCH - CASH FUNDS HELD at 31 August 2020**

		OPENING BALANCES	CLOSING BALANCES
f1 Cash in hand	14	2,219	1,044
f2 Bank Current Account	15	40,686	27,287
f3 Bank Deposit Account			
f4 Central Finance Board		87,382	88,007
f5 Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes		14,276	14,371
f6 Other funds			
f7 SUB TOTAL - Church accounts		144,563 (c6)	130,709 (c8)
f8 Total funds held by Internal Organisations (the closing balance total from above) (e12)		3,229 (e11)	1,805 (e12)
f9 TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH		147,792 (x)	132,513 (y)

**SECTION G****OTHER ASSETS and LIABILITIES**

		At 1 September 2019	At 31 August 2020
g1 Investments (include Endowments)			
g2 Land & Buildings (see notes re Insurance value)		6,694,329	6,855,071
g3 Other Assets	16	4,552	628
g4 Loan(s) - show amount outstanding at year end			
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 . Trinity Methodist Church (1126978)

## Declarations and Scrutiny

I confirm that these Receipt and Payment based accounts for the year to 31 August 2020 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 .....  ..... Date 26/11/20 .....

Name and address of treasurer ..... John Dunn, 33 Dickson Drive, Hexham, Northumberland

..... Post Code..... NE46 2RB

### Presentation to the Church trustees

I confirm that the annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2020 were/will be\* presented to the meeting of the Church trustees held on 23/11/20

Signature of the Chair of the meeting .....  .....

Name of the Chair of the meeting REV DAVID GOODALL Date 13/12/2020

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

### Trinity Methodist Church

Charity Number 1126978

### Responsibilities and basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Trinity Methodist Church for the year ended 31 August 2020 set out on pages 1 to 5. 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').

I report in respect of my examination of the Church's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and, in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

\* delete or circle as appropriate

Name of Church . Trinity Methodist Church (1126978)

### 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:

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Signature of independent examiner 

Name of independent examiner PHILIP RAINFORD

Relevant professional qualification of independent examiner RETIRED ACCOUNTANT (FORMER ACA)

Name of firm (where appropriate) N/A

Address 4 COLLINGWOOD DRIVE, HEXHAM

NORTHUMBERLAND Post Code NE46 2JA

Date 28/11/20

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# INTERNAL ORGANISATIONS' REPORT FORM

This form should be used in conjunction with the STANDARD FORM OF ACCOUNTS (Church, Circuit & District)

A separate Report Form should be prepared for each Internal Organisation

## RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

Note

### SECTION H

#### RECEIPTS

h1	Gifts & donations		1804.51
h2	Other receipts		
h3	<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS (to Receipts col page 3 in the main accounts)</b>		<b>1804.51</b>

### SECTION I

#### PAYMENTS

i1	Donations		3229.08
i2	Other payments		
i3	<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS (to Payments col page 3 in the main accounts)</b>		<b>3229.08</b>

### SECTION J

j1	<b>NET RECEIPTS (PAYMENTS)</b>	(h3 - i3)	<b>-1424.57</b>
j2	<b>OPENING BALANCE (to Opening balance column page 3 in the main accounts)</b>		3229.08
j3	Adjustments (show any negative adjustments in brackets)		
j4	<b>CLOSING BALANCE (to Closing balance col. page 3 in the main accounts)</b>	(j1+j2+/-j3)	<b>1804.51</b>

### SECTION K

#### HOW THE FUNDS ARE HELD

k1	Cash in hand		
k2	Cash at Bank/CFB etc		1,804.51
k3	Other accounts		
k4	<b>TOTAL FUNDS HELD (should agree with line j4 above)</b>	(k1+k2+k3)	<b>1804.51</b>

### SECTION M

#### FOR INFORMATION ONLY: MONEY RECEIVED AND PASSED ON TO OTHER EXTERNAL ORGANISATIONS

(These amounts should not be included in total receipts/payments above)

m1	Balance brought forward from last year		
m2	Offerings/Gifts - received for external organisations		
m3	Offerings/Gifts - passed to external organisations		
m4	<b>BALANCE STILL TO BE PAID</b>	(m1+m2-m3)	

### THE METHODIST CHURCH

#### INTERNAL ORGANISATION REPORT FORM                      FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

Each year every organisation connected with a local Church, Circuit or District is required by Standing Orders to present its accounts to the Church Council/Circuit Meeting/Synod.


The Managing Trustees are annually required to complete the Annual Accounts setting out the financial affairs of the Church/Circuit/District including all its connected internal organisations.

This form (which can be used for a Church/Circuit, District organisation) requires details of the accounts of your organisation so that all responsibilities can be fulfilled. We ask for your co-operation which will ensure proper public accountability and the protection of those who willingly act as treasurers.

Circuit/District	CIRCUIT: <u>Tynedale</u>	DISTRICT: <u>20.08</u>
Group/Organisation	<u>Hexham Trinity Methodist Church / Tuesday Coffee Group</u>	

Signatures section

I confirm that I have prepared the information overleaf from the accounts and records of the above named Group or Organisation

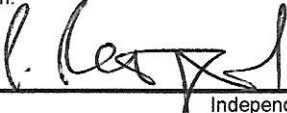
  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Treasurer of Group or Organisation

25/11/20  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

I confirm that I have examined the accounts and records of the

HEXHAM TRINITY METHODIST CHURCH  
PHILIP RAINFORD

and that the information overleaf is in accordance therewith.

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Independent Examiner

28/11/20  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

I confirm that the information overleaf has been prepared from independently examined/~~audited~~ accounts which were/~~will~~  
~~be~~ presented to

Church Council

\_\_\_\_\_  
at a meeting which I chaired/~~intend to chair~~ on

23/11/20  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

D. L. Goodall  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Chair of Meeting

12th December 2020  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

# RESERVES POLICY

Report on behalf of

Hexham Trinity Methodist Church  
 (\*Church Council / ~~Circuit Meeting~~/District)

To

Tynedale Methodist Circuit  
 (\*Circuit Meeting / District)

We submit our annual report in accordance with the requirements of the Methodist Conference and the Charity Commission guidance in CC19.

- (i) The trustees have established their mission aims taking into account all of the resources available in terms of people, property and money
- (ii) Mission initiatives/projects have been costed or estimates made of projected future costs which take into account the needs of the buildings and the requirements of the Quinquennial Inspection Report/s

- (iii) We have agreed a Reserves Policy which is set out overleaf and is recorded in the trustees' minutes and our Annual Report
- (iv) We recognise the need to be accountable as charity trustees for all the money which comes into our hands and will provide further information as required by the Circuit/District/Connexion
- (v) Our Report is attached overleaf →

\* please delete as appropriate

## To be completed by Receiving Body

The

\*Circuit Meeting/District received the RESERVES POLICY of

\*Church Council/Circuit Meeting/District

Policy accepted and acknowledgement sent to the trustees

YES  / NO

Policy noted and the following enquiries made of the trustees

Responses received and any further action taken

\*Circuit/District

Signatures ..... Date.....

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## RESERVES POLICY of

**Hexham Trinity Methodist Church**(\*Church Council /Circuit Meeting /District )

1. <b>General Funds held at Y/E 31/08/2020</b>	<b>CASH BOOK BASIS:</b> <b>£129,540.01</b> total which is made up as follows: (a) £14,636.97 General Fund (b) £1,804.51 Tuesday Coffee Group (c) £98,727.85 Designated Funds (d) £14,370.68 Legacies (TMCP)
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2. <b>Restricted Funds held</b>	<b>£2,973.27</b> total which is made up as follows: (e) £2,973.27 Redevelopment Fund
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3. <b>Endowment Funds held</b>	£nil
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4. **Reserves policy for General Funds**

Hexham Trinity Methodist Church's Reserves Policy deals with the following General Funds:

- (a) Principal General Fund
- (b) Tuesday Coffee Group Fund
- (c) Designated Funds
- (d) Legacies and Bequests

Other funds also held which are NOT required to be included in our reserves are:

- (e) Children/Youth Workers Fund
- (f) Redevelopment Fund

**Our Reserves**(a) **General Fund**

Trinity intends to hold in reserve sufficient money in the General Fund to cover three months' average expenditure, i.e. approx. £42,500. At the end of the financial year, £14,636.97 was available, which provides contingency cover for approximately 4.5 weeks. This compares to the position a year earlier, when on a like for like basis, contingency cover was 8.5 weeks. Compared to 2018/19 General Fund Reserves have reduced by £12,688.50 driven by the impact of Covid19 and in particular reduced rent versus budget, a significant loss of small plate income and the funding of a portion of the Youth &

Children's Worker positions from a District Grant, which was half the value of the previous Circuit Grant. At present, there is adequate, but reducing cash flow to meet the ongoing commitments. Looking forward increased giving (a specific September 20, Covid19 appeal has been launched) and membership, coupled with tight budgetary control, further grant applications and a revised method of Circuit Assessment calculation will facilitate Trinity in meeting future commitments.

**(b) Tuesday Coffee Group**

The Tuesday Coffee Group operates as an internal organisation reporting to the Church Council. The group raises money for good causes, and the work of Trinity. All money raised in a year, is allocated, and then expensed in the following year.

**(c) Designated Funds**

These chiefly comprise the Memorial Funds and the Property Reserve Fund. The Memorial Fund holds money given to Trinity by or in memory of members who have passed away (see Appendix C to Explanatory Notes to Standard Form of Accounts), and designated for appropriate church development projects. The policy for the Property Reserve Fund is based on an annual budget set for major repair works, which was reduced as a part of tightening budgetary control, to £7,000 per annum in 2019/20. The Property Reserve Fund is currently at its agreed limit of £80,000 to provide for years when repairs exceed the set amount. £22,000 of this fund is allocated to fund an estimated 50% of the Foyer Redevelopment Project, which is currently in its early design stages. In 2019, there were no transfers to the Property Reserve Fund. Building and content are currently valued at £6.694m on a restoration & repair basis.

**(d) Legacies and Bequests**

These are TMCP Model Trust Bequests and are at present not earmarked for any specific projects, but to be used appropriately in memory of the benefactor (see Appendix B to Explanatory Notes to Standard Form of Accounts)

**5. Policy for Restricted Funds**

**(e) Children/Youth Worker Fund**

This fund supports the employment of the part-time Youth Worker and Children Worker's roles. The fund is financed by:

- A Methodist Church Newcastle Upon Tyne District Grant, to the value of £48,579.58 over 4 years which commenced 1 Sept 2019
- A Methodist Youth Activities (MYA) Grant to the value of £5,000 per annum for 3 years. The final sum of £5000 was received in July 2020
- The Point, an independent church in Hexham, also supports our Youth and Children's Worker funding to the value of £3,000 per annum
- The Children's worker also supports West End Church in Hexham on a reimbursable basis.

The annual cost of the Youth & Children's Worker is £35,628.70, so the above Grants covers approximately 60% of the cost, with the balance to come from the General Fund. Further grants will be applied for in 2020/21.

**(f) Redevelopment Fund**



This fund holds £2,973.27 and is held as the starting point for the proposed second phase of the redevelopment project, involving the Church Foyer. £1,260 was expended in 2019/20 in preparing designs and gaining approvals for the project. This project will cost an estimated £50,000 (currently out for verification), funded £25,000 from church reserves (see 4c above), £15,000 from a Circuit Grant and £10,000 from specific Member donations.

6. Terms relating to Endowment Funds held

n/a

This Reserves Policy has been approved by

Heather Trinch  
(\*Church Council /Circuit Meeting /District )

Treasurer	Trustee
Full name: John Dunn	Full Name: Rev David Goodall
Signature 	Signature 

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