

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

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

1126978

(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

Church Stewards:

Elizabeth Box
Penny Clark
Maria Curran
Neil Paterson

Treasurer:

John Dunn

ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

Hexham Trinity

Church

SECTION A		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
	Note	£	£	£	£
a1	RECEIPTS			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	TOTAL RECEIPTS	5	133,139	133,139 (a7)	184,146

SECTION B		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
	Note	£	£	£	£
b1	PAYMENTS			41,593	71,359
b2	Circuit Assessment or Share	6	41,593		
b3	Donations	7	8,532	8,532	10,124
b4	Repairs and Maintenance	8	9,214	9,214	18,813
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	TOTAL PAYMENTS		144,857	144,857 (b9)	186,729

SECTION C		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
		£	£	£	£
c1	NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR	(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	Sub total	(c1+c2)	159,431	2,973	162,404
c4	Transfers and adjustments	Pass Through Ext Org	(65)	(65) (c7)	65
c5	TOTAL FUNDS AT END OF YEAR	(c3+c4)	159,366	2,973	162,339 (c8)
					174,122 (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	BALANCE STILL TO BE PAID (d1+d2-d3)		65

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)
Continue on a separate sheet if necessary and bring the totals forward						
	TOTAL RECEIPTS	TOTAL PAYMENTS				

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	46,160	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

I confirm that these Receipt and Payment based accounts for the year to 31 August 2023 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 *[Signature]* Date 6/10/23

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 2023 were/will be* presented to the meeting of the Church trustees held on 29/10/2023.

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

Explanatory Notes to Standard Form of Accounts

As of 2/10/2023 - 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
1 Offerings and Tax Recovered							£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
	£87,823.07	£0.00	£87,823.07	£114,373.85	£0.00	£114,373.85	
2 Bank and CFB Interest and Investment Income							£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
	£4,183.68	£0.00	£4,183.68	£422.03	£0.00	£422.03	
3 Lettings							£10,783.60
Total Property Lettings	£22,732.51	£0.00	£22,732.51	£22,805.70	£0.00	£22,805.70	
4 Other Receipts							£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			
	£18,399.33	£0.00	£18,399.33	£46,544.29	£0.00	£46,544.29	£39,806.41
5 Total Receipts							£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			
	£133,138.59	£0.00	£133,138.59	£184,145.87	£0.00	£184,145.87	£172,207.34

Resources Expended

Transferred to SOFA Page 2

			General Fund (Unrestricted)	Restricted Funds	Total	Total
6 Circuit Assessment						
Circuit Share	£41,593.00	£41,593.00	£71,358.75		£71,358.75	£38,523.00
7 Donations	£8,532.00	£8,532.00	£10,124.00		£10,124.00	£9,950.00
8 Repairs and Maintenance						
Total Property	£9,213.78	£9,213.78	£18,813.28		£18,813.28	£6,912.83
9 Insurance, Utilities etc						
Total Utilities	£13,359.96	£13,359.96	£11,309.22		£11,309.22	£14,668.58
10 Staff	£65,095.13	£65,095.13	£55,647.55		£55,647.55	£51,771.08
11 Other Payments						
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
12 Total Funds Brought Forward From Last Year						
Cash Book Opening Balance	£134,145.20	£2,973.27	£137,118.47	£161,218.86	£2,973.27	£164,192.13
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
13 Tuesday Coffee						
Donation Diane Brooks to Restricted Funds (Not Used)	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00		£0.00	£0.00
14 Cash in Hand						
Opening Balance Cash in Hand	£21.50		£39.00			£857.12
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
15 Bank Current Account						
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
16 Other Assets						
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 for 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 & CF8 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	UNRESTRICTED DESIGNATED	DESIGNATED	RESTRICTED	
	General Church Fund	Childrens & Youth Fund	Property Reserve (**)	Memorial Funds (**)	Redevel Fund
Receipts	£115,259.76	£16,359.00	£0.00	£1,000.00	£0.00
Payments	£104,848.01	£40,008.69	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Net Receipts & Payments	£10,411.75	£23,649.69	£0.00	£1,000.00	£0.00
Funds B/F 1 Sept 22	£71,856.18	£0.00	£68,000.00	£31,227.85	£2,973.27
Sub Total	£82,267.93	£23,649.69	£68,000.00	£32,227.85	£2,973.27
Transfers between Funds	£24,000.00	£24,000.00	£10,000.00	£10,000.00	£0.00
Balance c/f 31 Aug 23	£58,267.93	£350.31	£78,000.00	£22,227.85	£2,973.27

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	£40,008.69	£36,767.52	£33,981.17

(**) £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	£16,552.27
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	£22,227.85
Made up of:	£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 Gillespy 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)

Declarations and Scrutiny

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

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 2023 were/will be* presented to the meeting of the Church trustees held on 29.11.2023.

Signature of the Chair of the meeting Marie L Beard

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

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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:

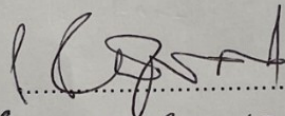
- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act; or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records.

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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

PHILIP RAINFORD

Relevant professional qualification of independent examiner

N/A

PREVIOUSLY ACA, NOW RETIRED

Name of firm (where appropriate)

N/A

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9 COLLINGWOOD DRIVE, HEXHAM

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Date

7/11/23

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Sep-23