

TRINITY METHODIST AND UNITED REFORMED CHURCH, PORTHCAWL.

ANNUAL RETURN TO THE CHARITY COMMISSION FOR THE YEAR ENDING AUGUST 2024

TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT

Registered charity name Trinity Methodist and United Reformed Church

Charity registration number 1127819

Principal office Trinity Methodist Church, John Street, Porthcawl CF36 3DT

Structure, governance and management

The trustees who served during the year are set out on the first page of The Methodist Church Standard Form of Accounts which are attached to this report.

Objectives and activities

In accordance with the foundational documents of the Methodist Church and the United Reformed Church. Our purposes are the advancement of:

- a) The Christian Faith as understood by the Methodist Church and United Reformed Church.
- b) Any charitable purpose for the time being of any denominational, local or any other organisational level of the Methodist Church or the United Reformed Church.
- c) Any charitable purpose for the time being of any society or institution subsidiary or ancillary to the Methodist Church or the United Reformed Church .
- d) Any purpose for the time being of any charity being a charity subsidiary or ancillary to the Methodist Church or the United Reformed Church.

In planning our activities for the year, we kept in mind the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit at our trustee meetings.

Achievements and performance

The year has seen stability in the range of church activities, though at lower levels of attendance compared with pre Covid years. There was a modest increase in freewill offerings during worship and in the number of hirers of the premises.

Sunday worship services have been held every week with a monthly morning and evening Communion Service for an average of 55 attendees. Those unable to attend are offered the opportunity to view the morning services live via Zoom for those who are not able to attend in person, and an edited version of the service is available after the event.

The membership stands at 118. Members are kept in touch with Church News through the quarterly In Touch magazine and all members and adherents are visited in order to pass this on. The Pastoral Team also ensure that members are visited in times of particular need.

Activities

We engage with the local community through the churches charity shop which raises funds for the church and for Action for Children. A Saturday coffee morning provides a social environment for members, and both regular and occasional visitors. We have a close relationship with Trinity Care and Support which hire our premises. A team from Trinity holds a monthly Communion Service in the local Dan-y-graig Care Home.

Our members have been very active in supporting Methodist and U.R.C. charities as well as other appeals in the areas of relief, development and well-being.

Churches Together in Porthcawl has a full programme of events and activities. Trinity Church is involved in managing, hosting, promoting and supporting this programme.

The church relies on full time stipendiary ministry and lay preachers provided by the Bridgend United Area and shared with six other churches. Challenges for the coming year include building up attendance at regular meetings, reviewing patterns of working as part of the Bridgend United Area and bearing a larger proportion of the Area costs.

In the light of the age profile of the membership our annual loss of members is not compensated for by new attendees contributors or new members. This presents a challenge which is discussed at all our trustee meetings.

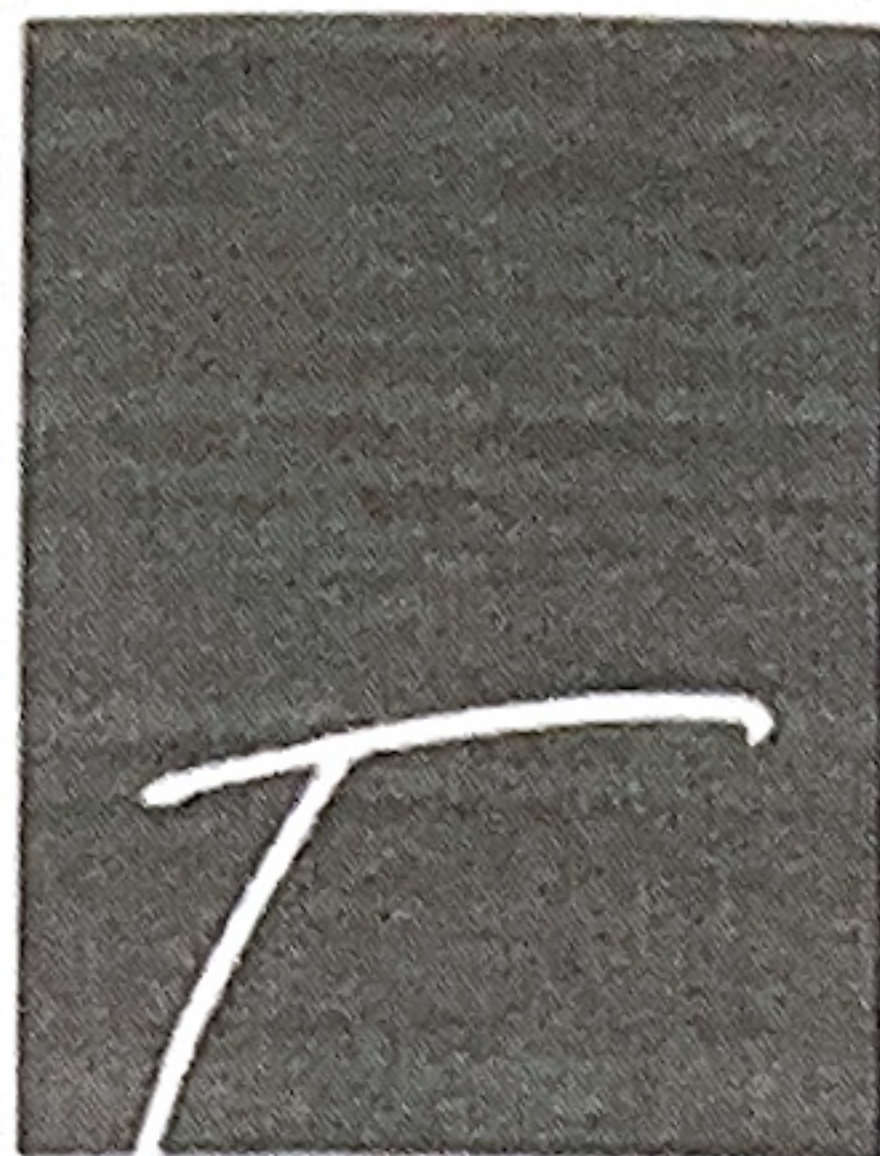
Financial review

The unaudited financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 August 2024 are shown in the attached Standard Form of Accounts. The accounts show a surplus for the year of £6,375. We have worked hard to stabilise our finances over the past 3 years and expect the charity to report a similar surplus next year.

RB Gillion 9/9/25

Revd Richard B Gillion

Chair of the Trustees



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The Trustees
Trinity Church
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Dear Trustees

We have carried out an independent examination of the accounts of Trinity Porthcawl for the year ended 31st August 2024 and emailed a copy of the amended Methodist Church Standard Form of Accounts.

On reviewing the original Church accounts we have prepared an extended trial balance from the spreadsheets prepared by the treasurer. We have prepared revised Church accounts.

We have adjusted for outstanding cheques, but have not adjusted for Gift Aid not yet received..

We enclose the Methodist Church Standard Form of Accounts. We have signed the Independent Examiners Report on page 5. Please sign the declaration on page 4 and return a copy to us.

We have assumed all Receipts and Payments are unrestricted.

We enclose a note of our charges for your kind attention.

Thank you.

Yours faithfully,

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THE METHODIST CHURCH
STANDARD FORM OF ACCOUNTS

TRINITY CHURCH PORTHCAWL	Church
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FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31 August 2024

Circuit	Circuit no.	02/06
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Registered Charity - Charity Registration number

1127819

If not a registered charity His 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.RICHARD GILLION

Church Stewards:

NESTA STIENS
HILARY DAVIES
ANN SHILLAKER
NORMA GRIFTHS

Treasurer:

JOHN P THOMAS

SECTION A			Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
			£	£	£	£
a1	RECEIPTS	Note				
a2	Offerings and Tax recovered				42,040	44,529
a3	Bank and CFB interest and Investment income				1,897	3,935
a4	Lettings				17,387	20,088
a5	Other receipts				36,067	21,365
a6	TOTAL RECEIPTS				97,391 (a7)	89,917

SECTION B						
b1	PAYMENTS					
b2	Circuit Assessment or Share				58,242	58,242
b3	Donations				9,035	6,666
b4	Repairs and Maintenance				8,009	15,898
b5	Utilities (Insurances, water charges, heating & lighting)				10,541	11,056
b6						
b7	Other payments				5,189	14,741
b8	TOTAL PAYMENTS				91,016 (b9)	106,603

SECTION C						
c1	NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR	(a6-b8)			6,375	(16,686)
c2	Total funds brought forward from last year				64,783 (c6)	81,469
c3	Sub total	(c1+c2)			71,158	64,783
c4	Transfers and adjustments				8,972 (c7)	
c5	TOTAL FUNDS AT END OF YEAR	(c3+c4)			80,130 (c8)	64,783 (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			
d2	Offerings/Gifts - received for external organisations		7,298	6,666
d3	Offerings/Gifts - passed to external organisations		7,298	6,666
d4	BALANCE STILL TO BE PAID	(d1+d2-d3)		

TRINITY CHURCH PORTHCAWL Church

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

SECTION E

Please follow the Guidance Notes to complete this page

Summary of the Church accounts for the year ended 31 August 2024 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 ACTION FOR CHILDREN	6,960	7,190	(230)		281	51
e2 FLOWER GROUP	257	243	14		240	254
e3						
e4						
e5						
e6						
e7						
e8 Sub total of Internal Organisations funds	7,217	7,433	(216)		521 (e11)	305 (e12)
e9 Church accounts (totals brought forward from page 2 - totals column)	97,391 (a7)	91,016 (b9)	6,375	(c7)	64,783 (c6)	80,130 (c8)
e10 TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH	104,608	98,449	6,159		65,304 (x)	80,435 (y)
	TOTAL RECEIPTS	TOTAL PAYMENTS				

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 2024	OPENING BALANCES	CLOSING BALANCES
f1 Cash in hand	125	148
f2 Bank Current Account	3,047	(1,768)
f3 Bank Deposit Account		
f4 Central Finance Board	10,692	20,698
f5 Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes	50,919	61,052
f6 Other funds		
f7 SUB TOTAL - Church accounts	64,783 (c6)	80,130 (c8)
f8 Total funds held by Internal Organisations (the closing balance total from above) (e12)	521 (e11)	305 (e12)
f9 TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH	65,304 (x)	80,435 (y)

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)		
g3 Other Assets		
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)



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ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON THE
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL INFORMATION OF
TRINITY CHURCH

In accordance with the engagement letter, we have prepared for your approval the financial information of Trinity Church for the year ended 31st August 202~~3~~⁴ which comprises of an Income and Expenditure Account and from information and explanations you have given us.

We have not verified the accuracy or completeness of the accounting records or information and explanations you have given to us and we do not, therefore, express any opinion on the financial information.

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3rd September 2025
~~19th June 2024~~

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PROPRIETOR'S APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS

In accordance with our terms of engagement, I/we approve the financial information which comprises the Income Expenditure Account. I acknowledge my responsibility for the financial information, including the appropriateness of the applicable financial reporting framework and for providing Tungsten Corporate Solutions Ltd with all information and explanations necessary for its compilation.

Signed.....*R.B. Gillman*.....

Date.....*9/9/25*.....

Name of Church TRINITY CHURCH PORTHCAWL

No 1127819

Independent Examiner's Statement

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 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

D. J. Talbot

Name of independent examiner

DAVID JAMES TALBOT

Relevant professional qualification of independent examiner

ACMA

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Date

26/8/2025

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