

THE METHODIST CHURCH STANDARD FORM OF ACCOUNTS

Trinity Methodist

Church

FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31 August 2021

Loughborough	Circuit	Circuit no	23/10
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Registered Charity - Charity Registration number

1128708

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:

Rev A Lomax

Church Stewards:

Andrew Thorpe

David Brooks

Margaret Dartnell

Simon Scoggins

Treasurer:

Rachel Thorpe

SECTION A		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted/ designated Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
	Note	£	£	£	£
1 RECEIPTS					
2 Offerings and Tax recovered		60,784		60,784	58,272
3 Bank and CFB interest and Investment income		43	22	65	364
4 Lettings		12,067		12,067	19,510
5 Other receipts		2,914	3,078	5,992	4,918
6 TOTAL RECEIPTS		75,808	3,100	78,908 (a7)	83,064

SECTION B		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted/ designated Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
1 PAYMENTS					
2 Circuit Assessment or Share		45,629		45,629	52,515
3 Donations		2,000		2,000	2,500
4 Repairs and Maintenance		4,677		4,677	10,055
5 Utilities (Insurances, water charges, heating & lighting)		12,680		12,680	14,664
6 Office costs		506		506	814
7 Other payments		9,630	697	10,327	11,908
8 TOTAL PAYMENTS		75,122	697	75,819 (b9)	92,456

SECTION C		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted/ designated Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
1 NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR	(a6-b8)	686	2,403	3,089	(9,392)
2 Total funds brought forward from last year		12,513	39,935	52,448 (c6)	61,840
3 Sub total	(c1+c2)	13,199	42,338	55,537	52,448
4 Transfers and adjustments				(c7)	
5 TOTAL FUNDS AT END OF YEAR	(c3+c4)	13,199	42,338	55,537 (c8)	52,448 (c6)

SECTION D		£	£
FOR INFORMATION ONLY: MONEY RECEIVED AND PASSED ON TO EXTERNAL ORGANISATIONS			
(these amounts are not to be included in total receipts/payments figures above)			
11 Balance brought forward from last year			
12 Offerings/Gifts - received for external organisations		120	2,462
13 Offerings/Gifts - passed to external organisations		120	2,462
14 BALANCE STILL TO BE PAID	(d1+d2-d3)		

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 2021 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
Boys Brigade	3,843	1,121	2,722		3,519	6,241
Girls Brigade	913	698	215		960	1,175
Monday Nighters		300	(300)		601	301
Badminton					6	6
Brigades Band	20		20		234	254
Sub total of Internal Organisations funds	4,776	2,119	2,657		5,319 (e11)	7,976 (e12)
Church accounts (totals brought forward from page 2 - totals column)	78,908 (a7)	75,819 (b9)	3,089	(c7)	52,448 (c6)	55,537 (c8)
TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH	83,684	77,938	5,746		57,767 (x)	63,513 (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 2021**

	OPENING BALANCES	CLOSING BALANCES
Cash in hand		
Bank Current Account	4,630	13,533
Bank Deposit Account		
Central Finance Board	32,084	26,248
Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes	15,734	15,756
Other funds		
SUB TOTAL - Church accounts	52,448 (c6)	55,536 (c8)
Total funds held by Internal Organisations (the closing balance total from above) (e12)	5,319 (e11)	7,976 (e12)
TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH	57,767 (x)	63,513 (y)

SECTION G**OTHER ASSETS and LIABILITIES**

	At 1 September 2020	At 31 August 2021
Investments (include Endowments)		
Land & Buildings (see notes re Insurance value)	3,147,120	3,150,247
Other Assets		
Loan(s) - show amount outstanding at year end		
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, Loughborough.

Charity number 1128708

Declarations and Scrutiny

I confirm that these Receipt and Payment based accounts for the year to 31 August 2021 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 *RPT* Date *1/10/21*

Name and address of treasurer: Rachel Thorpe

52 Priory Road, Loughborough, LE11 3PP

Presentation to the Church trustees

I confirm that the annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2021 were presented to the meeting of the Church trustees held on *7/10/21*

Signature of the Chair of the meeting *A Lomax*

Name of the Chair of the meeting Rev A Lomax Date *14/10/2021*

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

Trinity Methodist Church - Loughborough

Charity Number 1128708

Responsibilities and basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Trinity Methodist Church for the year ended 31 August 2021 set out on pages 2 to 3. As the Church's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the

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.

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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 which give me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

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

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

I have 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 G J Riddell

Relevant professional qualification of independent examiner .. CA

Address 23, Hill Rise, Woodhouse Eaves,

..... Loughborough, LE12 8QX

Date 24/9/21

* delete or circle as appropriate

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

For the period 1st September 2020 to 31st August 2021

SECTION A REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATION DETAILS

Charity Name

Trinity Methodist Church

Other Names by which charity is known

None

Registered Charity Number

1128708

Charity's Principal Address

Trinity Methodist Church
Royland Road
Loughborough
Leicestershire
LE11 2EH

Names of Trustees who manage the charity

Rev Andrew Lomax(Chair)
Mr Trevor Ranson
Mr David Bristow
Mr David Brooks
Mrs Sheila Coltman
Mr Nigel Cox
Mr Margaret Dartnell
Mrs Margaret Edum-Fotwe
Mrs Margaret Hutchinson
Mr Colin Lamb
Rev Douglas Maw
Mr Robert Newton
Mr Bobby Peach (secretary)
Mr Simon Scoggins
Mrs Rachel Thorpe
Mr Andrew Thorpe
Mr Nigel Wrighton

Names of the Trustees for the Charity, if any (for example custodian trustees)

The Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes (custodian trustee)

SECTION B STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Type of Governing document

Deed of Union (1932) and Methodist Church Act (1976)

How the charity is constituted

Act of Parliament

Trustee selection methods

Minister, together with people elected by the general meeting of all church members to specific posts. Plus Church representatives elected at the ACM for fixed terms.

SECTION C OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

The purposes of the Methodist Church are and shall be deemed to have been since the Date of Union the advancement of:

- a) The Christian faith in accordance with the doctrinal standards and discipline of The Methodist Church;
- b) Any charitable purpose for the time being of any Connexional, District, Circuit, local or other organisation of The Methodist Church;
- c) Any charitable purpose for the time being of any society or institution subsidiary or ancillary to The Methodist Church;
- d) Any purpose for the time being of any charity being a charity subsidiary or ancillary to The Methodist Church.

The Church exists to:

- Increase awareness of God's presence and to celebrate God's love
- Help people to learn and grow as Christians, through mutual support and care
- Become a good neighbour to people in need and to challenge injustice
- Make more followers of Jesus Christ

Specifically, Trinity Methodist Church's aims are:

The provision of regular public acts of worship, open to all.

The provision of sacred space for prayer and contemplation

The teaching of Christianity through sermons and small groups

Pastoral work including visiting the sick and bereaved

Provision of youth organisations with a Christian ethos

Supporting other charities in the UK and overseas financially and with prayer.

**Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects
(include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the
guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)**

We confirm the trustees had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit

Trinity provides worship services in a range of styles. These include a quiet half hour Thursday service twice a month, and a weekly Sunday morning communion. All these services are publicised widely and are open to all. These ceased during lockdown but we have started doing on-line - services on a Sunday via Facebook, plus Sunday evening prayers and mid-week devotions also on facebook.

As well as regular services, the church holds Christenings, Weddings and Funerals. It holds special events to encourage contemplation, such as at Christmas, Lent and Easter with extra services and occasional all day meditative events. These are open to all and are publicised around the town and wider area.

The church also encourages attendance of house groups to allow church members and anyone else who is interested to study the bible more deeply and encourage fellowship. At present house groups are continuing via zoom and in person.

There is a pastoral system so that all who attend the church have a pastoral contact, who can visit them, communicate any needs to the ministry team and keep everyone informed of church events. The minister and pastoral team visit those who are sick, bereaved or in need of help. This extends to any who have links to the church and may wish for a visit. The church is usually open every Saturday morning for anyone to come along for coffee and a chat. Cameo groups also allow monthly get togethers in various houses. Face to face meetings are currently on hold but the pastoral team are keeping in contact with everyone via the phone and by distanced in person meetings.

There is usually a fortnightly fellowship group and a weekly badminton group which are open to church members and the wider community and offer chances for people to meet in a more informal setting. Fellowship is currently taking place by more informal methods, such as distanced small group meetings and by phone.

The church has a strong Boys Brigade, Girls Brigade and toddler group. All have Christian leadership and are open to all. It also provides a weekly Sunday School and crèche during the morning service. The brigades have now restarted face to face meetings.. The leaders had been keeping in touch via phone and email during lockdown.

The Church gives to a range of charities, both in the UK and overseas. The young people within the church collect money for JMA, passing the proceeds to overseas missions. Trinity allows and encourages local charities to hold Saturday coffee mornings to raise money for their funds. We have fortunately been able to continue with some giving during lockdown, though coffee mornings and fund raising events have ceased.

SECTION D ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

The year has been a challenging one, as with many charities.

Sunday services took place when allowed by regulations. Generally live services took place fortnightly with live broadcasts of the facebook service in the building on other weeks.

The pastoral carers have done a sterling job of keeping in contact with the congregation, especially those who need extra support with shopping, hospital appointments etc.

In the Winter and Spring quiz nights and social events happened over zoom. In the summer various in person meet ups were arranged in gardens to allow homechurch groups to take place in person. Saturday open gardens replaced the normal coffee mornings.

Lettings were greatly reduced by the lockdowns but some groups were able to restart by the end of the year. Playgroup was able to continue all year. The arts group was able to run their holiday clubs for children with additional needs.

SECTION E FINANCIAL REVIEW

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

At present, trustees are trying to keep general reserves at over £10,000, which represents less than 2 months expenditure.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

None

SECTION F OTHER OPTIONAL INFORMATION

None

SECTION G DECLARATION

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s).....*RTM*.....*Alomax*.....
Full Name(s).....*RACHEL THORPE*.....*Andrew Lomax*.....
Position (eg secretary, chair).....*TREASURER*.....*Minister*.....
Date.....*4/2/22*.....*13-2-2022*.....