

Trinity Methodist Church
Brentgoval Street
Bury St Edmunds

Charity No. 1129116

Annual Trustees Report – Year ending 31st August 2023

Membership 106

Management

Trinity Methodist Church is managed under The Methodist Church of Great Britain and its constitutions and policies are determined by that body's Model trust and standing orders. Finance and Property matters are delegated to committees which report to the Church Council.

Risk Management

The trustees have assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed, in particular, those related to land and buildings, and are satisfied that systems are in place to control and mitigate their exposure to these risks.

Objectives

The calling of the Methodist Church is to respond to the Gospel of God's Love in Christ and to live out its discipleship in worship and mission. Inspired by this calling the aims are:

1. To increase awareness of God's presence and celebrate God's love.
2. Help people grow and learn as Christians through mutual support and care.
3. To encourage more people to follow Christ.
4. To show a presence in local society by being aware of local needs.

Activities

Regular activities

Sunday	Morning worship including activities for children. There is a monthly evening service and a twice monthly evening service on Zoom. Our services are recorded, members can borrow the recording if they wish, sermons are added to our website weekly.
Wednesday	Coffee Morning restarted in Sept 2022, following the pandemic. This has continued to grow and provides a valuable form of outreach. Coffee and Chat in the afternoon on Zoom continues weekly.

Various housegroups meet regularly during the week and one has continued to meet on Zoom since the pandemic. These groups continue to increase in membership and discuss and study various topics as well as bible study. They also provide another form of pastoral care for members.

Fundraising events continue to be held including an annual quiz evening and a spring concert. More are planned for the future.

Financial Review

Our income for the year was £116,120, a slight increase on the previous year.

Expenditure was £83,600 giving a small surplus. Fundraising has begun to allow the kitchen to be refitted.

Reserves policy

1. General Fund

We aim to hold in reserve funds to cover 6 months expenditure - £40,000

This is required to ensure:

- i) We can meet normal expenditure without recourse to borrowing
- ii) To cover items not normally covered by the budget

THE METHODIST CHURCH
STANDARD FORM OF ACCOUNTS
(SHORT FORM)

TRINITY METHODIST	Church
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FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31 August 2023

BURY ST EDMUNDS	Circuit	Circuit no	14/03
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Registered Charity - Charity Registration number

1129116

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

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

Minister:

REV. JASON VINTAGE

Church Stewards:

PHILIP COLTON

JOSIE KEYS

MAUREEN DEAN

CHRISTOPHER SPENCER

RICHARD WILD

LINDA BRANDON

Treasurer:

MRS JOY INAMATI

Church	Church - Short Form
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ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 August 2023

SECTION A			This year's amount to the nearest £	Last year's amount to the nearest £
		Note	£	£
a1	RECEIPTS			
a2	Offerings and Tax recovered		59,798	65,940
a3	Bank and CFB interest & investment income		1,048	105
a4	Lettings		9,361	7,932
a5	Other receipts		42,749	32,717
a6	TOTAL RECEIPTS		112,956	106,694
SECTION B				
b1	PAYMENTS			
b2	Circuit Assessment or Share		57,771	56,807
b3	Donations			
b4	Repairs and Maintenance		11,990	56,084
b5	Utilities (Insurances, water charges, heating & lighting)		7,258	6,470
b6	Other payments		5,075	3,536
b7	TOTAL PAYMENTS		82,094	122,897
c1	NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR	(a6 - b7)	30,862	(16,203)
c2	Total funds brought forward from last year		53,281 (c7)	69,484
c3	TOTAL FUNDS AT END OF YEAR	(c1 + c2)	84,143	53,281 (c7)
c4	State here the total of any other assets of the Church			
c5	State here the total of any liabilities of the Church			
c6	State here the insured value of the Church premises and contents			
SECTION D ANALYSIS OF FUNDS				
d1	Balances held at TMCP at 31 August			
d2	Balances held at CFB at 31 August		11,956	9,719
d3	Bank and cash balances at 31 August		73,995	43,711
d4	TOTAL (= Box c3)		85,951	53,430
SECTION E				
FOR INFORMATION ONLY: MONEY RECEIVED AND PASSED ON TO EXTERNAL ORGANISATIONS				
(these amounts are not to be included in total receipts/payments figures above)				
e1	Balance brought forward from last year		149	
e2	Offerings/Gifts - received for external organisations		3,163	1,599
e3	Offerings/Gifts - passed to external organisations		1,507	1,450
e4	BALANCE STILL TO BE PAID	(e1+e2-e3)	1,805	149

Name of Church TRINITY No. 1129116

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 J. Inameli Date 3/10/23

Name and address of treasurer MRS JOY INAMELI, OAKDENE, THE
STREET, CULFORD, BURY ST EDMUNDS. Post Code IP28 6PP.

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 3rd OCTOBER 2023.

Signature of the Chair of the meeting

Name of the Chair of the meeting

Revd Jasmine Vinyard

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Date

3rd October 2023

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

TRINITY METHODIST Church

Charity Number 1129116

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 No 1129116

Independent Examiner's Statement

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

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

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

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

Signature of independent examiner 

Name of independent examiner DEBORAH LECHMERE

Relevant professional qualification of independent examiner FIA

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Address 15 BOULTON ROAD, NORWICH

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Date 24 OCTOBER 2023

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