

Trinity Methodist Church
Brentgoval Street
Bury St Edmunds

Charity No. 1129116

Annual Trustees Report – Year ending 31st August 2024

Membership 101

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. Our services are recorded, members can borrow the recording if they wish, sermons are added to our website with the preachers permission.
Wednesday	Coffee Morning. This continues to grow and provides a valuable form of outreach. This is open to all. Coffee and Chat in the afternoon on Zoom continues weekly.

Housegroups

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.

Pastoral Care

The church has a group of pastoral visitors who keep in touch with members, visit if needed and pray for them regularly.

Events throughout the year

Fundraising events continue to be held including an annual quiz evening and a spring concert. These not only raise funds for the work and maintenance of the church but also provide a chance for members and friends to meet on a more informal basis.

We are pleased to welcome residents from the local Methodist Home who join our services from time to time and also come to Wednesday Coffee morning on a monthly basis.

Financial Review

Our income for the year was £96,705, slightly less than the previous year, due to much of the fundraising donations for the new kitchen appeared in last year's income.

Expenditure was £108,826. This includes £30,735 which was part payment for the kitchen refitting. This was completed in September 2024.

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

FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31 August 2024

Circuit

Circuit no

14103

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 VINHARD.

Church Stewards:

PHILIP COLTON

JOSIE KEYS

MAUREEN DEAN

CHRIS SPENCER

RICHARD ~~WILSON~~ WILD

CLARE DEATH

Treasurer:

MRS JOY INAMETI

ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

SECTION A

	Note	This year's amount to the nearest £	Last year's amount to the nearest £
a1 RECEIPTS		£	£
a2 Offerings and Tax recovered		60,345	59,798
a3 Bank and CFB interest & investment income		873	1,048
a4 Lettings		10,771	9,361
a5 Other receipts		24,716	42,749
a6 TOTAL RECEIPTS		96,705	112,956

SECTION B

		This year's amount to the nearest £	Last year's amount to the nearest £
b1 PAYMENTS			
b2 Circuit Assessment or Share		57,771	57,771
b3 Donations			
b4 Repairs and Maintenance		35,644	11,990
b5 Utilities (Insurances, water charges, heating & lighting)		10,739	7,258
b6 Other payments		4,672	5,075
b7 TOTAL PAYMENTS		108,826	82,094

SECTION C

c1 NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR	(a6 - b7)	(12,121)	30,862
c2 Total funds brought forward from last year		84,143 (c7)	53,281
c3 TOTAL FUNDS AT END OF YEAR	(c1 + c2)	72,022	84,143 (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		15,058	11,956
d3 Bank and cash balances at 31 August		57,451	73,995
d4 TOTAL (= Box c3)		72,509	85,951

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		1,805	149
e2 Offerings/Gifts - received for external organisations		2,041	3,163
e3 Offerings/Gifts - passed to external organisations		3,362	1,507
e4 BALANCE STILL TO BE PAID	(e1+e2-e3)	484	1,805

Name of Church TRINITY METHODIST No. 1129116

Declarations and Scrutiny

I confirm that these Receipt and Payment based accounts for the year to 31 August 2024 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. Inameki Date 8th October 2024

Name and address of treasurer MRS JOY INAMEKI, OAKENE, THE
STREET, CULFORD, BURY ST. EDMUNDS Post Code IP28 6DP

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

REV JASON C VINYARD Date 8th October 2024

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 2024 set out on pages 2 to 2. 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

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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 (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

Name of firm (where appropriate)

Address 15 BOULTON ROAD, NORWICH

..... Post Code NR7 0DE

Date 3 OCTOBER 2024

* delete or circle as appropriate