

ST THOMAS METHODIST CHURCH, EXETER

England & Wales · Charity number 1135010

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Previously excepted

Registered 2010-03-17

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

Contact

Address St. Thomas Methodist Church
110-111 Cowick Street
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Activities

Objects: 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 THE 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.

Activities: The charity provides religious worship and teaching open to all. The Church seeks to care for both those within its membership and the wider community and to serve the community in which it is set.

Classification

- **How:** Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** Religious Activities
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** UNDEFINED. IN PRACTICE, LOCAL.
- Devon

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-08-31	£60,284	£60,231	-	-
2023-08-31	£70,957	£58,476	-	-
2022-08-31	£65,507	£65,916	-	-
2021-08-31	£169,307	£163,105	-	-
2020-08-31	£170,679	£156,281	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Rev Donna Alice Leigh	Chair	2024-09-01
Andrew Bolton		2022-05-01
Ann Matthews		2024-09-01
Caroline Anne White		2025-11-01
Crawford Taylor Munro		2024-09-01
DAVID BRADFORD		2017-11-19
Daliah June Ley		2024-09-01
David House		2017-11-19
David Kirk		2016-07-10
Esther Reed		2023-05-01
JANET LEE		
Josephine James		2022-05-01
Mary Bews		2022-05-01
PETER CHARLES BENNETT		
PETER STUART GOODWIN		2024-04-01
Paul Hunkin		2022-05-01
Rachel Scott		2018-04-29
Susan Shute		2022-05-01
Trevor Prouse		2024-09-01

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RELATED PARTIES

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Internal Organisations linked to the Church are

5th Exeter Boys' Brigade
Carers and Toddlers
St Thomas Community Larder

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EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES OF LAST YEAR

The Church has been able to engage in its normal activities during the last year

- 1) Messy Church
- 2) Boys' Brigade, Guides, Rainbows and Brownies are all sponsored groups and the Church runs Carers and Toddlers group. During the year due to financial problems and lack of number, The Church maintains contact weekly with these groups by various means
- 3) A Leadership team meets monthly to discuss various items
- 4) The Church is able to offer a social programme for members to develop their common life together now Government restrictions have been lifted.
- 5) The Church has responded to the needs of the community by offering practical help and by responding to appeals to humanitarian needs across the world. It is a member of St Thomas Community Association and has actively supported it.
- 6) The Church initiated and set up St Thomas Community Larder which is based in the Church and has worked with other groups and local Churches to provide food and essential items to around 40 families per week, The Community Larder cease to provide a service from August 2024 and all the food and money held were passed to Exeter foodbank.
- 7) Church Council has continued with its programme to enhance the premises. The gardens continue to bloom and attract a lot of visitors.
- 8) Cameras have been installed in the Church, so that events can be recorded for people to view.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

The General Fund for the year ended 31st August 2024 showed a surplus of £53. The accounts were presented to the trustees in November 2024, and examined and approved by an external examiner, Mr Keith Ellis in March 2025.

The Church bankers are HSBC Bank and monies are held on deposit with the Central Finance Board of the Methodist Church.

As a financial control all payments have to be authorised by 2 people

CHURCH RESERVE POLICY

The Church has a policy of holding six months expenditure in reserve on the General Fund and organises fund raising project and events to provide adequate income

BENEVOLENT FUND

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ST THOMAS METHODIST CHURCH
DRAFT ACCOUNTS 191024

12 MTHS TO 310824 12 MTHS TO 310823 12 MTHS TO 310822 12 MTHS TO 310821 12 MTHS TO 310820

Income from	29,136	28,765	29,557	35,564	32,655
Gift day			0	35	50
Gifts & donations	1,467	6,440	0	1,005	930
	<u>30,603</u>	<u>35,205</u>	<u>29,557</u>	<u>36,604</u>	<u>33,635</u>
	30,603	35,205	29,557	36,604	
Coffee (net)	436	185	(5)	10	
HMRC refund	7,783	6,000	6,836	7,004	
	38,822	41,390	36,388	43,618	
Interest received	1,256	848	30	4	
Other income	1,500	2,250	3,425	250	
	41,578	44,488	39,843	43,872	
Circuit share	(33,296)	(37,100)	(48,000)	(45,000)	
	8,282	7,388	(8,157)	(1,128)	
Duplicator	2,655	3,129	1,828	3,079	2,676
Electricity	2,055	2,699	2,620	2,471	2,372
Gas	6,502	3,577	3,121	1,501	1,462
Water	900	954	1,458	579	1,096
Insurance	4,612	4,484	3,929	3,663	3,660
Repairs	2,969	2,995	3,225	891	6,755
Notices	241	418	293	282	259
Bins	286	195	257	176	265
Cleaning/	1,891	317	257	581	683
Other expenses	1,223	642	928	772	1,863
	(15,052)	(12,022)	(26,073)	(15,123)	
Room hire income	18,706	26,469	25,664	16,571	
(Deficit)/Surplus	3,654	14,447	(409)	1,448	
Camera/ Flat roof repair		3,707	14,759		
less grant	0	-1,741	-14,759		
Preschool	3,601				
	<u>3,601</u>	<u>1,966</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	
Carried forward	<u>53</u>	<u>12,481</u>	<u>(409)</u>	<u>1,448</u>	

FO 310820 12 MTHS TO 310819 12 MTHS TO 310818

310824

	42,344		45,392	
	3,356		10,645	
	<u>1,212</u>		<u>7,620</u>	
	46,912		63,657	
33,635	<u>46,912</u>		<u>63,657</u>	
451	708		782	
<u>8,539</u>	<u>9,194</u>		<u>14,017</u>	
42,625	56,814		78,456	
72	42		31	
<u>1,236</u>				
43,933	56,856		78,487	
<u>(34,250)</u>	<u>(53,000)</u>		<u>(57,250)</u>	
9,683	3,856		21,237	
	4,015		3,649	
	2,515		2,523	
	4,924		4,369	
	1,465		1,306	
	3,566		3,428	
	8,682		2,545	
	254		299	
	275		244	
	279		5,441	
(21,091)	1,646	(27,621)	1,372	(25,176)
(11,408)		(23,765)		(3,939)
<u>16,413</u>		<u>27,086</u>		<u>21,453</u>
5,005		3,321		17,514
	72		326	
		(11,318)		
0	<u>72</u>		<u>(10,992)</u>	
<u>5,005</u>	<u>3,393</u>		<u>6,522</u>	

Brought forward		53
General fund b/f		55,490
Benevolen	350	
Allocated	<u>350</u>	
Music func	376	
Allocated	<u>-188</u>	188
		<u>56,081</u>
Building fund		
		<u>56,081</u>
ASSETS		
CFB	15,713	
HSBC	44,768	
		<u>60,481</u>
RECEIVABL	<u>22,077</u>	
		82,558
PAYABLE		-26,477
		<u>56,081</u>

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310823		310822		310821
	12,481		(409)	1,448
	43,009		43,418	41,970
350		450		450
<u>350</u>	<u>350</u>	<u>(100)</u>	<u>350</u>	<u>450</u>
589		589		589
<u>-213</u>	<u>376</u>	<u>589</u>	<u>589</u>	<u>589</u>
	<u>56,216</u>		<u>43,948</u>	<u>44,457</u>

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22,752		505		476
31,445		50,193		49,708
<u>54,197</u>		<u>50,698</u>		<u>50,184</u>
<u>12,500</u>		<u>6,500</u>		<u>7,004</u>
	66,697		57,198	57,188
	(10,481)		(13,250)	(12,731)
	<u>56,216</u>		<u>43,948</u>	<u>44,457</u>

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27th March 2025 which show a

The Treasurer
St Thomas Methodist Church

I confirm that I have examined the accounts for the period 1.9.22 to 31.8.23 of St Thomas Methodist Church, which show a surplus of £53 for the year and I am pleased to sign the accounts off as being correct.

Keith Ellis

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- 8) Cameras have been installed in the Church, so that events can be recorded for people to view.
- 9) Due to lack of numbers and financial pressure the Church's pre-school had to close after serving the community for 50 years.

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	12 MTHS TO 310823		12 MTHS TO 310822			310823		310822		310821	
Income from collections	28,765		29,557		Brought forward	12,481		(409)			1,448
Gift day			0								
Gifts & donations	6,440		0								
	35,205		29,557		General fund b/f	43,009		43,418			41,970
		35,205		29,557	Benevolent fund b/f	350		450			450
					Allocated	350		(100)	350		450
Coffee (net)		185		(5)							
HMRC refund		6,000		6,836	Music fund b/f	589		589			589
		41,390		36,388	Allocated	-213	376	589			589
Interest received		848		30							
Other income		2,250		3,425							
		44,488		39,843							
Circuit share		(37,100)		(48,000)			56,216	43,948			44,457
		7,388		(8,157)							
Duplicator/ stationery	3,129		1,828								
Electricity	2,699		2,620								
Gas	3,577		3,121								
Water	954		1,458		Building fund						
Insurance	4,484		3,929								
Repairs	2,995		3,225				56,216	43,948			44,457
Notices	418		293								
Bins	195		257								
Cleaning/ caretaker	317		257								
Other expenditure	642	(19,410)	928	(17,916)	ASSETS						
		(12,022)		(26,073)							
Room hire income		26,469		25,664	CFB	22,752		505			476
(Deficit)/Surplus		14,447		(409)	HSBC	31,445		50,193			49,708
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		1,966		0			54,197	50,698			50,184
					RECEIVABLES	12,500		6,500			7,004
Carried forward		12,481		(409)			66,697	57,198			57,188
					PAYABLE		(10,481)	(13,250)			(12,731)
							56,216	43,948			44,457
							0.00	0.00			

	31.08.22	Income		Expend		CFB	JNL	JNL 2	JNL 3		fund tfr	accrue	prepay	I&E	B/S	check									
CFB Bank	505.40			58,500.00		847.51	37,100.00								22,752.91	0.00									
HSBC Bank	50,193.40		67,493.96		86,242.85										31,444.51	0.00									
TMCP (Loram)																0.00									
TMCP (Landsale)																0.00									
Due from HMRC	6,500.00												12,500.00	6,000.00		0.00									
Gen fund		43,010.43													43,010.43	0.00									
Duplicator fund																0.00									
Benevolence fund		349.83														349.83	0.00								
Organ fund (Vellanoeth)		588.76								213.00						375.76	0.00								
Music fund (Mingo)																0.00									
Building fund																0.00									
Peace garden		2,472.39		158.57												2,313.82	0.00								
Circuit						37,100.00								37,100.00		0.00									
Collections			28,406.35						359.00						28,765.35	0.00									
HMRC																0.00									
Bluemay																0.00									
Room hire			26,469.30												26,469.30	0.00									
Roof																0.00									
roof grant																0.00									
camera grant		1,741.00												1,741.00		0.00									
cooker fund																0.00									
Interest						847.51									847.51	0.00									
Other income			2,000.00					250.00							2,250.00	0.00									
Coffee (net)			250.19	64.75											185.44	0.00									
Gifts & donations			6,440.00												6,440.00	0.00									
contra/ja				2,825.67			1,662.53	1,163.14	1,018.34						1,018.34	0.00									
Duplicator		139.97		2,842.94			139.97	191.94	94.60					3,129.48		0.00									
Piano/ organ				213.00						213.00				0.00		0.00									
Donations out																0.00									
Repairs		119.87		6,656.94			119.87	45.20						6,702.14		0.00									
Bins				194.48										194.48		0.00									
Cleaning/ caretaker		193.32					193.32	72.86	244.62					317.48		0.00									
exeter community 091221																0.00									
Gas				3,577.43										3,577.43		0.00									
Electric				2,698.94										2,698.94		0.00									
receivable																0.00									
water				953.59										953.59		0.00									
st t fest/ char fayre																0.00									
bank charges				166.07										166.07		0.00									
tablecloth fund									250.00						250.00	0.00									
Gift day																0.00									
Insurance				4,484.19										4,484.19		0.00									
Other expenditure		33.07	68.00	171.33			33.07	16.95	609.00					729.28		0.00									
postage		32.50					32.50	57.50						57.50		0.00									
Notices		103.80					103.80	258.69	159.12					417.81		0.00									
External orgs		1,165.86	2,041.21	2,436.19											770.88	0.00			kkk						
website				215.00										215.00		0.00									
Larder		6,998.00	1,210.00				1,040.00	520.00	520.00						6,128.00	0.00									
envelopes				83.76										83.76		0.00									
not known			608.91											608.91		0.00									
ccli																0.00									
young church		250.00						250.00								0.00									
	57,198.80	57,198.80	67,493.96	67,493.96	86,242.85	86,242.85	37,947.51	37,947.51	1,662.53	1,662.53	1,413.14	1,413.14	1,413.14	1,627.34	1,627.34	213.00	213.00	0.00	12,500.00	60,827.15	73,307.51	54,197.42	54,217.06	0.00	
		0.00		0.00		0.00		0.00		0.00					12,480.36		0.00			12,500.00	12,480.36			0.00	
																						12,480.36			
																						66,697.42	66,697.42		0.00

EXTERNALS	B/f	310822	Collected	Paid over	Adjust	Balance
Home Mission	37.16				-37.16	0.00 easter offering
Action for children	260.55	115.20	-537.54	161.79		0.00
Shoeboxes	-20.00					-20.00
xmas cards		96.15			-96.15	0.00
christian aid	5.00	62.27				67.27
Homeless	17.36	38.50	-55.86			0.00
Traidcraft exch	0.00	800.00	-800.00			0.00
festival of light	0.00	65.64			-65.64	0.00
easter collections	70.00	20.00			52.16	142.16
collection 270822	364.70				-364.70	0.00
World church	87.90				-87.90	0.00
all we can	75.00	488.45	-774.60	452.60		241.45
easter offering world missoin/ m		15.00			-15.00	0.00
methodist women in britain		150.00				150.00
Methodist Homes	268.19	190.00	-268.19			190.00
	<u>1165.86</u>	<u>2041.21</u>	<u>-2436.19</u>	<u>0.00</u>		<u>770.88</u>

Item	Quantity	Unit	Material	Remarks
1	1	m ²	Green	Paint
2	1	m ²	Yellow	Paint
3	1	m ²	Green	Paint
4	1	m ²	Yellow	Paint
5	1	m ²	Green	Paint
6	1	m ²	Yellow	Paint
7	1	m ²	Green	Paint
8	1	m ²	Yellow	Paint
9	1	m ²	Green	Paint
10	1	m ²	Yellow	Paint
11	1	m ²	Green	Paint
12	1	m ²	Yellow	Paint
13	1	m ²	Green	Paint
14	1	m ²	Yellow	Paint
15	1	m ²	Green	Paint
16	1	m ²	Yellow	Paint
17	1	m ²	Green	Paint
18	1	m ²	Yellow	Paint
19	1	m ²	Green	Paint
20	1	m ²	Yellow	Paint
21	1	m ²	Green	Paint
22	1	m ²	Yellow	Paint
23	1	m ²	Green	Paint
24	1	m ²	Yellow	Paint
25	1	m ²	Green	Paint
26	1	m ²	Yellow	Paint
27	1	m ²	Green	Paint
28	1	m ²	Yellow	Paint
29	1	m ²	Green	Paint
30	1	m ²	Yellow	Paint
31	1	m ²	Green	Paint
32	1	m ²	Yellow	Paint
33	1	m ²	Green	Paint
34	1	m ²	Yellow	Paint
35	1	m ²	Green	Paint
36	1	m ²	Yellow	Paint
37	1	m ²	Green	Paint
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Date	Narrative	Total	SO	Env	Cash	Rm Hire & s/w	Roots	Coffee	For ext organists	larder	Other	Gifts and donations	Easter off	n/k	check	umul check
9/1/2022	rschedule	1,450.00	1,450.00												0.00	0.00
9/4/2022	weekly	1,762.00		602.00	30.00										-1,130.00	-1,130.00
9/4/2022	funeral										1,000.00				1,000.00	-130.00
9/4/2022	larder									80.00					80.00	-50.00
9/4/2022	eve wives					50.00									50.00	0.00
9/5/2022	Purposes	1,000.00									1,000.00				0.00	0.00
9/6/2022	Ower	85.00				85.00									0.00	0.00
9/7/2022	Ower	50.00				50.00									0.00	0.00
9/7/2022	Lions club	360.00				360.00									0.00	0.00
9/11/2022	weekly	347.46		197.00	145.00			5.46							0.00	0.00
9/13/2022	Ower	85.00				85.00									0.00	0.00
9/14/2022	Ower	50.00				50.00									0.00	0.00
9/20/2022	Ower	85.00				85.00									0.00	0.00
9/18/2022	weekly	106.00		72.00	34.00										0.00	0.00
9/25/2022	weekly	165.80		87.00	57.80			1.00		20.00					0.00	0.00
9/21/2022	Ower	50.00				50.00									0.00	0.00
9/27/2022	Ower	85.00				85.00									0.00	0.00
9/28/2022	Ower	50.00				50.00									0.00	0.00
9/30/2022	Nako larde	35.00								35.00					0.00	0.00
10/1/2022	Standing o	1,440.00	1,440.00												0.00	0.00
10/3/2022	weekly	709.68		207.00	32.88					200.00					-269.80	-269.80
10/3/2022	roots						22.80								22.80	-247.00
10/3/2022	all we can								247.00						247.00	0.00
10/6/2022	Ower	85.00				85.00									0.00	0.00
10/6/2022	Ower	50.00				50.00									0.00	0.00
10/9/2022	weekly	130.00		112.00	18.00										0.00	0.00
10/11/2022	Ower	85.00				85.00									0.00	0.00
10/11/2022	Ower	50.00				50.00									0.00	0.00
10/16/2022	weekly	212.00		127.00	85.00										0.00	0.00
10/20/2022	Ower	85.00				85.00									0.00	0.00
10/20/2022	Ower	50.00				50.00									0.00	0.00
10/23/2022	weekly	130.00		77.00	53.00										0.00	0.00
10/25/2022	Ower	85.00				85.00									0.00	0.00
10/26/2022	Ower	50.00				50.00									0.00	0.00
10/31/2022	weekly	109.00		82.00	27.00										0.00	0.00
10/31/2022	Nako larde	35.00								35.00					0.00	0.00
11/1/2022	Standing o	1,470.00	1,470.00												0.00	0.00
11/1/2022	Ower	85.00				85.00									0.00	0.00
11/2/2022	Ower	50.00				50.00									0.00	0.00
11/6/2022	weekly	358.91													-358.91	-358.91
11/7/2022	exeter aca	1,440.00				1,440.00									0.00	-358.91
11/9/2022	Ower	85.00				85.00									0.00	-358.91
11/9/2022	Ower	50.00				50.00									0.00	-358.91
11/13/2022	weekly	940.00		107.00	63.00					20.00					-750.00	-1,108.91
11/13/2022	donation											250.00			250.00	-858.91
11/13/2022	traidcraft								500.00						500.00	-358.91
11/21/2022	Ower	85.00				85.00									0.00	-358.91
11/21/2022	Ower	50.00				50.00									0.00	-358.91
11/22/2022	Ower	85.00				85.00									0.00	-358.91
11/20/2022	weekly	167.00		62.00	105.00										0.00	-358.91
11/23/2022	Ower	50.00				50.00									0.00	-358.91
11/27/2022	weekly	172.87		82.00	60.87										-30.00	-388.91
11/27/2022	balance of party					30.00									30.00	-358.91
11/29/2022	Ower	85.00				85.00									0.00	-358.91
11/30/2022	Nako larde	35.00								35.00					0.00	-358.91
11/30/2022	Ower	50.00				50.00									0.00	-358.91
12/1/2022	Standing o	1,430.00	1,430.00												0.00	-358.91
12/5/2022	westbank	360.00				360.00									0.00	-358.91
12/6/2022	Ower	85.00				85.00									0.00	-358.91
12/7/2022	Ower	50.00				50.00									0.00	-358.91
12/4/2022	weekly	137.80		107.00	30.80										0.00	-358.91
12/11/2022	weekly	335.00		257.00	78.00										0.00	-358.91
12/13/2022	Ower	85.00				85.00									0.00	-358.91
12/14/2022	Ower	50.00				50.00									0.00	-358.91
12/20/2022	Ower	85.00				85.00									0.00	-358.91
12/18/2022	weekly	222.44		72.00	48.00										-102.44	-461.35
12/18/2022	carols collection				102.44										102.44	-358.91
12/21/2022	Ower	50.00				50.00									0.00	-358.91
12/30/2022	Nako larde	35.00								35.00					0.00	-358.91
1/1/2023	Standing o	1,485.00	1,485.00												0.00	-358.91
1/3/2023	Ower	85.00				85.00									0.00	-358.91
1/4/2023	Ower	50.00				50.00									0.00	-358.91
1/8/2023	weekly	251.34		12.00											-239.34	-598.25
12/25/2022	action 4 c								115.20						115.20	-483.05
12/25/2022	christmas cards								20.00						20.00	-463.05
12/25/2022	crib service								38.50						38.50	-424.55
12/25/2022	fest of light								65.64						65.64	-358.91
1/10/2023	Ower	85.00				85.00									0.00	-358.91
1/11/2023	Ower	50.00				50.00									0.00	-358.91
1/8/2023	weekly	584.15		164.00	344.00										-76.15	-435.06
1/8/2023	christmas card sort								76.15						76.15	-358.91
1/17/2023	Ower	85.00				85.00									0.00	-358.91
1/18/2023	Ower	50.00				50.00									0.00	-358.91
1/15/2023	weekly	419.90		207.00	22.90										-190.00	-548.91
1/15/2023	boiler in coffee bar											190.00			190.00	-358.91
1/22/2023	weekly	177.00		82.00	95.00										0.00	-358.91
1/23/2023	pre school	2,800.00				2,800.00									0.00	-358.91
1/23/2023	jenner jess	240.00				240.00									0.00	-358.91
1/23/2023	exeter aca	2,687.80				2,687.80									0.00	-358.91
1/24/2023	Ower	85.00				85.00									0.00	-358.91
1/25/2023	Ower	50.00				50.00									0.00	-358.91
1/29/2023	Cornwall S	50.00								50.00					0.00	-358.91
1/30/2023	weekly	108.55		132.00	36.55										60.00	-298.91
1/30/2023	Nako larde	35.00								35.00						

Date		Chq no	Vou	Total	Repairs &	Cleaning	tfr	Utilities	Peace ga	Bank ch	misc	Duplicator	Admin	External	coffee	Other	Check
				HSBC	Maint	bins	Caretaking						Insurance	collections			
23/09/2022	Charges	bc	cgs	14.81						14.81							0.00
8/14/2395	MHA	106109	ext	268.19										268.19			0.00
9/26/2022	source for busines	106111	1a	122.44				122.44									0.00
10/21/2022	se gas	dd	2	455.15				455.15									0.00
10/23/2022	charges	bc	cgs	13.79						13.79							0.00
10/18/2022	source for busines	106112	1b	122.44				122.44									0.00
10/18/2022	ja	106113		1,662.53												1,662.53	0.00
10/31/2022	tmcp	106177	tfr	28,500.00												28,500.00	0.00
11/14/2022	swalec ele	dd	4	135.51				135.51									0.00
11/14/2022	swalec ele	dd	5	734.34				734.34									0.00
11/15/2022	exeter cc	dd	6	4.58		4.58											0.00
10/31/2022	ctax	106176	7	35.00							35.00						0.00
11/22/2022	se gas	dd	8	714.84				714.84									0.00
11/14/2022	methodist insuran	106116	9	4,484.19									4,484.19				0.00
11/23/2022	charges	bc	cgs	14.47						14.47							0.00
11/24/2022	zerographic	dd		137.55								137.55					0.00
12/23/2022	charges	bc	cgs	15.04						15.04							0.00
1/9/2023	swalec ele	dd	10	1.52				1.52									0.00
12/21/2022	p goodwin camera	106178	11	4,038.97	3,706.50												332.47
12/21/2022	p goodwin camera	3706.51 re	11		332.47												-332.47
11/14/2022	transform trade	106115	12	500.00										500.00			0.00
1/1/2023	bnc electrical ref	106117	13	57.60	57.60												0.00
1/18/2023	exeter cc	dd	14	17.16		17.16											0.00
1/23/2023	charges	bc	cgs	9.22						9.22							0.00
1/16/2023	source for busines	106179	15	99.21				99.21									0.00
1/29/2023	rob lee windows	106183	16	324.75	324.75												0.00
1/29/2023	d bradford waste	106184	17	51.50		51.50											0.00
1/29/2023	sue collins garden	106185	18	158.57					158.57								0.00
2/13/2023	swalec ele3	dd	19	551.44				551.44									0.00
2/21/2023	se gas	dd	20	1,088.91				1,088.91									0.00
2/23/2023	charges		cgs	15.05						15.05							0.00
1/16/2023	traidcraft	106118	21	8.25											8.25		0.00
4/8/2023	All we can	106123	ext	774.60										774.60			0.00
4/8/2023	Action for children	106124	ext	537.54										537.54			0.00
4/8/2023	St Petrock;s	106125	ext	55.86										55.86			0.00
3/8/2023	swalec	dd	22	163.37				163.37									0.00
2/28/2023	r j porch piano tun	106120	23	107.00							107.00						0.00
3/8/2023	cardless website	dd	24	215.00							215.00						0.00
3/13/2023	zerographic	dd		146.48								146.48					0.00
3/15/2023	exeter cc	dd	25	17.16		17.16											0.00
3/20/2023	ja/la	106186	16	1,163.14												1,163.14	0.00

Date		Chq no	Vou	Total	Repairs &	Cleaning	tfr	Utilities	Peace ga	Bank ch	misc	Duplicator	Admin	External	coffee	Other	Check	
				HSBC	Maint	bins	Caretaking						Insurance	collections				
3/23/2023	charges		cgs	14.94						14.94							0.00	
3/20/2023	janet lee palm cross	106187	27	10.99												10.99	0.00	
3/20/2023	rob lee windows	106188	28	84.33	84.33												0.00	
2/28/2023	dart fire exting. Se	106119	29	550.75	550.75												0.00	
3/20/2023	tmcp	106189	tfr	30,000.00												30,000.00	0.00	
4/17/2023	exeter cc	dd	30	28.60		28.60											0.00	
4/6/2023	source for busines	106121	31	305.03				305.03									0.00	
4/23/2023	charges	dd	cgs	13.74						13.74							0.00	
5/15/2023	swalec	dd	32	483.67				483.67									0.00	
5/16/2023	exeter cc	dd	33	6.29		6.29											0.00	
5/23/2023	charges		cgs	11.95						11.95							0.00	
5/24/2023	se gas	dd	34	863.38				863.38									0.00	
5/31/2023	zerographic	dd		143.79								143.79					0.00	
4/19/2023	ruth g palm crosse	106126	35	53.85												53.85	0.00	
6/3/2023	transform trade	106191	ext	300.00										300.00			0.00	
6/3/2023	transform trade	106192	36	27.70											27.70		0.00	
7/19/2190	transform trade	106122	37	28.80											28.80		0.00	
6/15/2023	exeter cc	dd	38	31.45		31.45											0.00	
6/9/2023	robert j porch pian	106195	39	106.00							106.00						0.00	
6/23/2023	charges		cgs	12.41						12.41							0.00	
6/24/2023	t prouse wine	106200	40	71.49							71.49						0.00	
6/28/2023	envelope systems	106199	41	83.76												83.76	0.00	
6/28/2023	source for busines	106127	42	304.47				304.47									0.00	
7/17/2023	exeter cc	dd	43	18.87		18.87											0.00	
7/23/2023	charges		cgs	19.74						19.74							0.00	
6/21/2023	wannells electric	106198	44	1,100.40	1,100.40												0.00	
7/27/2023	sprague & o boiler	106129	45	500.14	500.14												0.00	
8/4/2023	zerographic	106128	46a	834.00								834.00					0.00	
8/15/2023	exeter cc	dd	47	18.87		18.87											0.00	
8/18/2023	zerographic	dd		1,101.12								1,101.12					0.00	
8/22/2023	se gas	dd	48	455.15				455.15									0.00	
8/23/2023	sse energy	dd	49	629.09				629.09									0.00	
8/23/2023	charges		cgs	10.91						10.91							0.00	
8/17/2023	zerographic	106201	46b	480.00								480.00					0.00	
				86,242.85	6,656.94	194.48	0.00	0.00	7,229.96	158.57	166.07	534.49	2,842.94	4,484.19	2,436.19	64.75	61,474.27	0.00
								ele	2,698.94	website	215.00				envelopes	83.76		
								gas	3,577.43	piano	106.00				tfr	58,500.00		
								water	953.59	ctax	35.00				crosses	64.84		
										wine	71.49				ja/la	2,825.67		

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310822 balance					505.40
300922 int			0.70		506.10
311022 int			0.88		506.98
91122 tfr		28,500.00			29,006.98
241122 circuit				-9,275.00	19,731.98
301122 int			38.52		19,770.50
311222 int			47.19		19,817.69
310123 int			52.60		19,870.29
220223 circuit				-9,275.00	10,595.29
280223 int			46.51		10,641.80
300323 tfr		30,000.00			40,641.80
310323 int			35.11		40,676.91
300423 int			126.60		40,803.51
240522 circuit				-9,275.00	31,528.51
310523 int			131.49		31,660.00
300623 int			112.15		31,772.15
310723 int			131.20		31,903.35
240823 int				-9,275.00	22,628.35
310823 circuit			124.56		22,752.91
310823					22,752.91

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17 Knowle Drive
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EX4 2DP
27th May 2024

The Treasurer
St Thomas Methodist Church

I confirm that I have examined the accounts for the period 1.9.22 to 31.8.23 of St Thomas Methodist Church, and I am pleased to sign the accounts off as being correct.

Keith Ellis

ST THOMAS METHODIST CHURCH, EXETER

England & Wales - Charity number 1135010

Accounts

St Thomas Methodist Church

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Administration Information

The Church is situated in Cowick Street Exeter and is a registered Charity

The Managing Trustees during the year were as follows.

Rev Julian Albrow
Peter Bennett
Mary Bews
David Bradford
Sue Collins
David House
Janet Lee
David Kirk
Ann Matthews
Heather Payne
Rachel Scott
Peter Kempster
Rosemary Kempster

Charity and Minister of the Church at the following address:

Rev Julian Albrow
21 Dunsford Road
Exeter
EX4 1 LG

St Thomas Methodist Church

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Aim

The vision of our Church is to :

- Offer worship to all which is relevant and engaging
- To create a community of belonging, offering pastoral care to all members particularly those in need.
- To serve God through our community both the community local to the Church and the world-wide community

Services are held on a Sunday Morning at 10,30 a.m. catering for all ages and other services may be held on Sunday evenings dependant on the Christian of calendar. The Church is an active member of Churches, Together in Central Exeter

St Thomas Methodist Church is building links with St Thomas Parish Church and the Riverside Church by sharing mission opportunities within the community.

The Church premises are extensively used by the Church in course of its arranged activities and also by a large number of community groups. Further details of the activities of the church can be found on the website www.stthomasmethodist.co.uk

TRUSTEE TRAINING

A range of guidance produced by the Methodist Connexion to support the effective running of the Church and the role of the Trustees is given to the Church Trustees at various meeting and training sessions

RELATED PARTIES

The Church is part of the Exeter Coast and Country Circuit, which is part of the Plymouth and Exeter Methodist District and is also accountable to the Methodist Conference.

Internal Organisations linked to the Church are

5th Exeter Boys' Brigade
Young Families
St Thomas Methodist Pre-School
St Thomas Community Larder

St Thomas Methodist Church

Annual Report 2022

EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES OF LAST YEAR

The Church has been able to engage in its normal activities during the last year following the lifting of Government restrictions due to the pandemic

- 1) Messy Church
- 2) Boys' Brigade, Guides, Rainbows and Brownies are all sponsored groups and the Church runs its own Pre-School as well as Carers and Toddlers. The Church maintains contact weekly with these groups by various means
- 3) Church Council acts as the Leadership team and continues to meet
- 4) The Church is able to offer a social programme for members to develop their common life together now Government restrictions have been lifted.
- 5) The Church has responded to the needs of the community by offering practical help and by responding to appeals to humanitarian needs across the world. It is a member of St Thomas Community Association and has actively supported it.
- 6) The Church initiated and set up St Thomas Community Larder which is based in the Church and has worked with other groups and local Churches to provide food and essential items to around 40 families per week.
- 7) Church Council has continued with its programme to enhance the premises. The gardens continue to bloom and attract a lot of visitors.
- 8) Cameras have been installed in the Church, so that events can be recorded for people to view.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

The General Fund for the year ended 31st August 2022 showed a deficit of £409. Given the state of the economy, the Church considers this to be a good result.

The Church bankers are HSBC Bank and monies are held on deposit with the Central Finance Board of the Methodist Church.

CHURCH RESERVE POLICY

The Church has a policy of holding six months expenditure in reserve on the General Fund and organises fund raising project and events to provide adequate income

BENEVOLENT FUND

The Church maintains a benevolent fund which is a restricted fund to enable loans and gifts to be made at the discretion of the Minister. The Balance in the Benevolent fund at 31st August 2022 was £350

THE METHODIST CHURCH

STANDARD FORM OF ACCOUNTS

St Thomas Methodist Church

FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31 August 2022.

Exeter Coast and Country Circuit	Church no 2403
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Registered Charity - Registration number 1135010

Minister:

Rev J Albrow

Church Stewards:

A Matthews	J Lee
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Treasurer:

D Bradford

St Thomas Methodist Church

Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) for the year ended 31 August 2022

	Notes to the accounts	General Fund (Unrestricted) £
Income		
1 Offerings		29,557
2 Donations		0
3 Gift Aid		6,836
4 Interest and investment income		30
5 Letting income		25,664
6 Internal organisations		-
7 Other charitable income		3,420
8 Total income		65,507
Expenditure		
9 Circuit assessment or share		48,000
10 Grants and donations		-
11 Property maintenance		3,225
12 Insurance, utilities etc		11,128
13 Depreciation		-
14 Office expenses		1,828
15 Other expenditure		1,735
16 Internal organisations		-
17 Total charitable expenditure		65,916
18 Gains/losses on monetary investments		
19 Gains/losses on investment property		
20 Surplus income		-409
21 Transfers between funds		
22 Other gains/(losses)		
23 Net movement in funds		-409
24 Total funds brought forward		43,418
25 Total funds carried forward		43,009

**Restricted
Funds**
£

**Total
2021-22**
£

	29,557
	0
	6,836
5	35
	25,664
	-
105,307	108,727
105,312	170,819

	48,000
	-
	3,225
	11,128
	-
	1,828
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109,898	109,898
109,898	175,814

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34,661	78,079
30,075	73,084

St Thomas Methodist Church

Balance Sheet as at 31 August 2022

	General Fund (Unrestricted)
	£
Fixed Assets	
Church building and other property	
Investments	
Total fixed assets	-
Current Assets	
Debtors and prepayments	6,500
Loans by the Churches	
Investments with TMCP	
Central Finance Board Deposits	505
Cash at Bank and in hand	49,254
Total current assets	56,259
Current liabilities	
Creditors (due in under 1 year)	13,250
Grants payable within 2018-19	
Total current liabilities	13,250
	43,009
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Restricted Funds	Totals 2022
£	£

Totals 2021
£

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St Thomas Methodist Church

Notes to the Accounts for the year ended 31 August 2022

1 Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the Charities Act 2006 in accordance with the 2014 version of Accounting and Reporting Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) applicable to charities preparing accounts in accordance with FRS102 – the Charities SORP (FRS102) and the Update Bulletin 1 issued in 2016.

2 Funds

The funds held constitute general funds held for any purpose of the Church, unrestricted and restricted funds which are held for a narrower purpose, and endowment funds. Details of each material fund are disclosed in the notes to these accounts. Any funds may be represented by more than just cash.

3 Accounting policies

These accounts have been prepared on the basis of historical cost and depreciation basis to show a true and fair view of the Church's financial position and a true and fair view of its financial performance.

Incoming Resources

Income is included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) when the Church becomes entitled to the resources, and the trustees are reasonably certain to receive the resources; and the monetary value can be measured with reasonable reliability.

Resources Expended

These are recognised when a liability is incurred, or a constructive obligation that results in the payment being unavoidable. Liabilities are recognised when an outflow of economic benefit is considered more likely than not under a constructive obligation committing the Church to pay out resources.

4 Fixed assets

	At	
	31 August 2022	13
	£	
Land and Buildings (insurance value)	5,130,497	
Contents (insurance value)	227,075	
Organ (insurance value)	411,574	

5 Debtors and Prepayments

Debtors included in the accounts are in respect of the Gift Aid refund due Church from HM Revenue and Customs in respect of the refund claimed in August 2022.

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St Thomas Methodist Church

Notes to the Accounts for the year ended 31 August 2022

6 Creditors

Creditors were amounts due from the Church at 31 August 2022.

7 Fees for independent examination of the accounts

There were no fees paid for the independent examination of the accounts for the two years ended 31 August 2021.

8 Paid employees

Five staff were employed during the year ended 31 August 2022

9 Capital commitments and contingent liabilities

At the 31 August 2022 there were no capital commitments.

In the event of the St Thomas Methodist Pre-School being unable to settle a liability arising in respect of redundancy being payable to its employees, the maximum contingent liabilities of £10,261 due on 31 August 2021

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ST THOMAS METHODIST CHURCH

DECLARATIONS AND SCRUTINY

I confirm that these accruals-based accounts for the year to 31 August 2021 have been prepared and entered in the records of the Church and that they include all funds under the control of the Church trustees.

Signature of Treasurer

Date

Name

D Bradford

Address

11 Baker Street, Exeter, EX2 5EA

Presentation to the Church Council for approval.

I confirm that the annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2021 have been presented to the meeting of the Church trustees held on

and were approved.

Signature of the Chair of the meeting

Name of the Chair of the meeting	Rev J Albrow
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Date	Nov 8, 22
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St Thomas Methodist Church

Independent Examiner's report to the Trustees of St Thomas Methodist Church Charity No. 1135010

Responsibilities and basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the St Thomas Methodist Church ended 31 August 2021 set out on the attached pages. As the Church's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2006.

I report in respect of my examination of the Church's accounts carried out under section 145(1) of the Act, and, in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charities Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

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

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act;
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the preparation of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008; or
- the trustees' annual report is not consistent with the accounts and does not meet the requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view, which is not a requirement considered as part of an independent examination
- the trustees annual report is not consistent with the accounts.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination. No special 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 Church for the purposes of the Church or held in other trusts, bank balances and funds at the Central Finance Committee of the Methodist Church which are individually in excess of £10,000 (ten thousand pounds) as at the 31 August 2021 date.

Signature of independent examiner

Name of independent examiner Peter Giles Kempster

Relevant professional qualification of independent examiner N/A

Date 8th November 2022

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England & Wales - Charity number 1135010

Accounts

**CHURCH
ACCRUALS
ACCOUNTS**

THE METHODIST CHURCH

STANDARD FORM OF ACCOUNTS

St Thomas Methodist Church

FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31 August 2021

Exeter Coast and Country Circuit	Church no 2403
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Registered Charity - Registration number 1135010

Minister:

Rev J Albrow

Church Stewards:

A Matthews	J Lee
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Treasurer:

D Bradford

St Thomas Methodist Church

**Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA)
for the year ended 31 August 2021**

	Notes to the accounts	General Fund (Unrestricted) £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2020-21 £
Income				
1 Offerings		35,564		35,564
2 Donations		1,005		1,005
3 Gift Aid		7,004		7,004
4 Interest and investment income		4		4
5 Letting income		16,571		16,571
6 Internal organisations		-		-
7 Other charitable income		295	108,864	109,159
8 Total income		60,443	108,864	169,307
Expenditure				
9 Circuit assessment or share		45,000		45,000
10 Grants and donations		-		-
11 Property maintenance		1,930		1,930
12 Insurance, utilities etc		8,214		8,214
13 Depreciation		-		-
14 Office expenses		3,079		3,079
15 Other expenditure		772		772
16 Internal organisations			104,110	104,110
17 Total charitable expenditure		58,995	104,110	163,105
18 Gains/losses on monetary investments				
19 Gains/losses on investment property				
20 Surplus income		1,448	4,754	6,202
21 Transfers between funds				
22 Other gains/(losses)				
23 Net movement in funds		1,448	4,754	6,202
24 Total funds brought forward		41,971	29,907	71,878
25 Total funds carried forward		43,419	34,661	78,080

St Thomas Methodist Church

**Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA)
for the year ended 31 August 2020**

	Notes to the accounts	General Fund (Unrestricted) £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2019-20 £
Income				
1 Offerings		32,655		32,655
2 Donations		980		980
3 Gift Aid		8,539		8,539
4 Interest and investment income		72		72
5 Letting income		16,413		16,413
6 Internal organisations		-		-
7 Other charitable income		1,687	110,333	112,020
8 Total income		60,346	110,333	170,679
Expenditure				
9 Circuit assessment or share		34,250		34,250
10 Grants and donations		-		-
11 Property maintenance		7,468		7,468
12 Insurance, utilities etc		8,590		8,590
13 Depreciation		-		-
14 Office expenses		2,676		2,676
15 Other expenditure		2,122		2,122
16 Internal organisations			101,175	101,175
17 Total charitable expenditure		55,106	101,175	156,281
18 Gains/losses on monetary investments				
19 Gains/losses on investment property				
20 Surplus income		5,240	9,158	14,398
21 Transfers between funds				
22 Other gains/(losses)				
23 Net movement in funds		5,240	9,158	14,398
24 Total funds brought forward		36,731	20,749	57,480
25 Total funds carried forward		41,971	29,907	71,878

St Thomas Methodist Church

Balance Sheet as at 31 August 2021

	General Fund (Unrestricted)	Restricted Funds	Totals 2021	Totals 2020
	£	£	£	£
Fixed Assets				
Church building and other property			-	-
			-	-
Investments			-	-
Total fixed assets	-	-	-	-
Current Assets				
Debtors and prepayments	7,004		7,004	9,665
Loans by the Churches				
Investments with TMCP				
Central Finance Board Deposits	476		476	2,400
Cash at Bank and in hand	48,669	34,661	83,330	63,404
Total current assets	56,149	34,661	90,810	75,469
Current liabilities				
Creditors (due in under 1 year)	12,730		12,730	17,989
Grants payable within 2018-19				
Total current liabilities	12,730		12,730	17,989
	43,419	34,661	78,080	57,480

St Thomas Methodist Church

Notes to the Accounts for the year ended 31 August 2021

1 Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the Charities Act 2011 in accordance with the 2014 version of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with FRS102 – the Charities SORP (FRS102) and taking note of the Update Bulletin 1 issued in 2016.

2 Funds

The funds held constitute general funds held for any purpose of the Church which are unrestricted and restricted funds which are held for a narrower purpose. There are no endowment funds. Details of each material fund are disclosed in the final note to these accounts. Any funds may be represented by more than just cash.

3 Accounting policies

These accounts have been prepared on the basis of historical cost and the accruals basis to show a true and fair view of the Church's financial position and activities.

Incoming Resources

Income is included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) when the Church becomes entitled to the resources, and the trustees are reasonably certain they will receive the resources; and the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Resources Expended

These are recognised when a liability is incurred, or a constructive obligation arises, that results in the payment being unavoidable. Liabilities are recognised as soon as an outflow of economic benefit is considered more likely than not under the legal or constructive obligation committing the Church to pay out resources.

4 Fixed assets

	At	At
	31 August 2021	1 September 2020
	£	£
Land and Buildings (insurance value)	4,186,913	4,186,913
Contents (insurance value)	185,312	185,312
Organ (insurance value)	335,878	335,878

5 Debtors and Prepayments

Debtors included in the accounts are in respect of the Gift Aid refund due to the Church from HM Revenue and Customs in respect of the refund claimed up to 31 August 2021.

St Thomas Methodist Church

Notes to the Accounts for the year ended 31 August 2021

6 Creditors

Creditors were amounts due from the Church at 31 August 2021.

7 Fees for independent examination of the accounts

There were no fees paid for the independent examination of the accounts during the two years ended 31 August 2021.

8 Paid employees

No staff were employed during the two years ended 31 August 2021

9 Capital commitments and contingent liabilities

At the 31 August 2021 there were no capital commitments.

In the event of the St Thomas Methodist Pre-School being unable to settle the liability arising in respect of redundancy being payable to its employees there are maximum contingent liabilities of £10,261 due on 31 August 2021 (£11,833 maximum due on 31 August 2020).

St Thomas Methodist Church

Notes to the Accounts for the year ended 31 August 2021

10 For information only

Money received and passed on to External Organisations

	2020/21 £	2019/20 £
Balance brought fwd from last year	514	123
Offerings/Gifts - received for Exterr Ann Bond (deceased 16 January 2021)	342	1,581
Offerings/Gifts - passed to External Organisations		(1,190)
Balance carried fwd	856	514

Analysis of restricted and designated funds 2020-21

Restricted Fund Name	Opening balance £	Incoming Resources £	Resources Expended £	Closing Balance £	Purpose of the fund
Benevolent Fund	450			450	Support people in need
Bequests	589			589	As per bequest
Internal organisations					
Young families	1,001	246		1,247	
Boys Brigade	980	600	521	1,059	
St Thomas Pre-School	23,639	106,625	102,187	28,077	
Adult Literacy and Numeracy Club	3,248	1,393	1,402	3,239	Adult literacy and numeracy support for the citizens of Exeter
Totals	29,907	108,864	104,110	34,661	

Analysis of restricted and designated funds 2019-20

Restricted Fund Name	Opening Balance £	Incoming Resources £	Resources Expended £	Closing Balance £	Purpose of the fund
Benevolent Fund	100	350		450	Support people in need
Bequests	719		130	589	As per bequest
Internal organisations					
Young families	623	1,440	1,062	1,001	
Boys Brigade	1,579	45	644	980	
St Thomas Pre School	17,298	104,622	98,281	23,639	
Adult Literacy and Numeracy Club	430	3,876	1,058	3,248	Adult literacy and numeracy support for the citizens of Exeter
Totals	20,749	110,333	101,175	29,907	

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ADMINISTRATION INFORMATION

The Church is situated in Cowick Street, Exeter and is a registered charity

The Managing Trustees during the year were as follows:

Rev Julian Albrow
Peter Bennett
Ann Bond (deceased 16 January 2022)
David Bradford
Keith Butler
Sue Collins
Janet Lee
David Kirk
Ann Matthews
Rachel Scott
Peter Kempster
David House

Charity and Minister of the Church at the following address:

Rev Julian Albrow
21 Dunsford Road
Exeter
EX4 1LG

St Thomas Methodist Church Annual report 2021

AIM

The vision of our Church is to:

- * Offer worship to all which is relevant and engaging.
- * To create a community of belonging offering pastoral care to all members particularly those in need.
- * To serve God through our community both the community local to the Church and the world-wide community.

Services are held on a Sunday morning at 10.30 am catering to all ages, an evening service at 6.00 pm and other services dependant on the Christian calendar. The Church is an active member of Churches Together in Central Exeter.

St Thomas Methodist Church is building on its links with St Thomas Parish Church as part of the Anglican Methodist Covenant and Riverside Church by sharing mission opportunities' within the community.

The Church premises are extensively used by the Church in the course of its arranged activities and also by a large number of community groups. Further details concerning the activities of the Church can be found on the Church website.

www.stthomasmethodist.co.uk

TRUSTEE TRAINING

A range of guidance produced by hthe Methodist Connexion to support the effective running of the Church and the role of Trustees is given to Church Trustees at various meetings and training sessions.

RELATED PARTIES

The Church is part of the Exeter Coast and Country Circuit which is part of the Plymouth and Exeter Methodist District and is also accountable to the Methodist Conference.

Internal organisations linked to the Church are:

5th Exeter Boys Brigade
Young Families Group
St Thomas Pre School
Adult Literacy and Numeracy Club
St Thomas Community Larder

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EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES OF LAST YEAR

The Church has been unable to engage in its normal activities during the year due to Government restrictions arising from the pandemic

- (1) Messy Church was suspended during lockdown.
- (2) Boys Brigade, Guides, Rainbows and Brownies are all sponsored groups and the Church runs its own Pre-School as well as Carers and Toddlers and a Friday Café.
The Church has maintained contact weekly with these groups by various means.
- (3) Various Church and community groups are not able to meet due to the Government restrictions and were contacted on a weekly basis.
- (4) Church Council acts as the Leadership Team and continues to meet online.
- (5) The Church is not able to offer a social programme for members to develop their common life together due to current Government restrictions. It provides various resources to Church groups.
- (6) The Church has responded to the needs of the community by offering practical help and by responding to appeals to humanitarian needs across the world. It is a member of St Thomas Community Association and has actively supported it.
- (7) The Church has initiated and set up St Thomas Community Larder which is based in the Church and has actively worked with other groups and local Churches to provide food and essential items to around **47** families per week.
- (8) The Church responded to the needs of the community by establishing an Adult Literacy and Numeracy (ALAN) Club. This ran weekly until Government restrictions closed the meetings. The Club had over 60 students and 27 helpers currently has over 60 students with 27 helpers. It had been a great joy seeing people develop their skills and confidence. The Church is anxious for the meetings to recommence as soon as the Government considers it safe to do so.
- (9) Church Council continues with its programme of decoration and enhancement of Church premises. The garden continues to bloom and attracts lots of visitors.
- (10) The Church has continued the work of replacing the old lighting with new LED lights.
- (11) This year due to the Government lockdown the Church has not been able to hold its normal services but has had face to face meetings when allowed.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

The General Fund for the year ended 31 August 2021 showed a surplus of £1,448. Given the current state of the economy, the Church considers this to be a good result.

The Church bankers are HSBC Bank and monies are also held on deposit with the Central Finance Board of the Methodist Church.

St Thomas Methodist Church
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CHURCH RESERVE POLICY

The Church has a policy of holding six months expenditure in reserve on the General Fund and organises various fund raising projects and events to provide adequate income.

BENEVOLENT FUND

The Church maintains a benevolent fund which is a restricted fund to enable loans and gifts to be made at the discretion of the Minister. The balance in the Benevolent Fund at 31 August 2020 and 2021 was £450.

ST THOMAS METHODIST CHURCH

DECLARATIONS AND SCRUTINY

I confirm that these accruals-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

Date	17/1/2022
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Name

D Bradford

Address

11 Baker Street, Exeter, EX2 5EA

Presentation to the Church Council for approval.

I confirm that the annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2021 have been presented to the meeting of the Church trustees held on

and were approved.

Signature of the Chair of the meeting

Name of the Chair of the meeting	Rev J Albrow
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Date	17/1/2022
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St Thomas Methodist Church

Independent Examiner's report to the Trustees of St Thomas Methodist Church Charity No. 1135010

Responsibilities and basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the St Thomas Methodist Church for the year ended 31 August 2021 set out on the attached pages. 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 Charities Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

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; or
- the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view, which is not a matter considered as considered as part of an independent examination
- the trustees annual report is not consistent with the accounts.

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 Peter Giles Kempster

Relevant professional qualification of independent examiner N/A

Date 17 January 2022

ST THOMAS METHODIST CHURCH, EXETER

England & Wales - Charity number 1135010

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**CHURCH
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THE METHODIST CHURCH

STANDARD FORM OF ACCOUNTS

St Thomas Methodist Church

FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31 August 2020

Exeter Coast and Country Circuit Church no 2403

Registered Charity -Registration number 1135010

If not a registered charity **Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs**
(The HMRC number is equivalent to a registered charity number in

Minister:

Rev J Albrow

Church Stewards:

A Matthews J Lee

Treasurer:

D Bradford

St Thomas Methodist Church

**Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA)
for the year ended 31 August 2020**

	Notes to the accounts	General Fund (Unrestricted) £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2019-20 £
Income				
1 Offerings		32,655		32,655
2 Donations		980		980
3 Gift Aid		8,539		8,539
4 Interest and investment income		72		72
5 Letting income		16,413		16,413
6 Internal organisations		-		-
7 Other charitable income		1,687	110,333	112,020
8 Total income		60,346	110,333	170,679
Expenditure				
9 Circuit assessment or share		34,250		34,250
10 Grants and donations		-		-
11 Property maintenance		7,468		7,468
12 Insurance, utilities etc		8,590		8,590
13 Depreciation		-		-
14 Office expenses		2,676		2,676
15 Other expenditure		2,122		2,122
16 Internal organisations			101,175	101,175
17 Total charitable expenditure		55,106	101,175	156,281
18 Gains/losses on monetary investments				
19 Gains/losses on investment property				
20 Surplus income		5,240	9,158	14,398
21 Transfers between funds				
22 Other gains/(losses)				
23 Net movement in funds		5,240	9,158	14,398
24 Total funds brought forward		36,731	20,749	57,480
25 Total funds carried forward		41,971	29,907	71,878

St Thomas Methodist Church

Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) for the year ended 31 August 2019

	Notes to the accounts	General Fund (Unrestricted) £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2018-19 £
Income				
1 Offerings		42,344		42,344
2 Donations		1,212		1,212
3 Gift Aid		9,197		9,197
4 Interest and investment income		42		42
5 Letting income		27,086		27,086
6 Internal organisations		-		-
7 Other charitable income		4,136	128,064	132,200
8 Total income		84,017	128,064	212,081
Expenditure				
9 Circuit assessment or share		53,000		53,000
10 Grants and donations		-		-
11 Property maintenance		8,682		8,682
12 Insurance, utilities etc		12,470		12,470
13 Depreciation		-		-
14 Office expenses		4,015		4,015
15 Other expenditure		2,454	130,859	133,313
16 Internal organisations		-		-
17 Total charitable expenditure		80,621	130,859	211,480
18 Surplus income		3,396	(2,795)	601
19 Total funds brought forward		33,335	23,544	56,879
20 Total funds carried forward		36,731	20,749	57,480

St Thomas Methodist Church

Balance Sheet as at 31 August 2020

	General Fund (Unrestricted)	Restricted Funds	Totals 2020	Totals 2019
	£	£	£	£
Fixed Assets				
Church building and other property			-	-
			-	-
Investments			-	-
Total fixed assets	-	-	-	-
Current Assets				
Debtors and prepayments	7,685		7,685	9,665
Loans by the Churches				
Investments with TMCP				
Central Finance Board Deposits	1,434	1,038	2,472	2,400
Cash at Bank and in hand	41,897	28,869	70,766	63,404
Total current assets	51,016	29,907	80,923	75,469
Current liabilities				
Creditors (due in under 1 year)	9,045		9,045	17,989
Grants payable within 2018-19				
Total current liabilities	9,045		9,045	17,989
	41,971	29,907	71,878	57,480

St Thomas Methodist Church

Notes to the Accounts for the year ended 31 August 2020

1 Basis of accounting

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2 Funds

The funds held constitute: General funds held for any purpose of the Church which are unrestricted. restricted funds which are held for a narrower purpose . There are no endowment funds. Details of each material fund are disclosed in the final note to these accounts. Any funds may be represented by more than just cash.

3 Accounting policies

These accounts have been prepared on the basis of historical cost and the accruals basis to show a true and fair view of the Church's financial position and activities.

Incoming Resources

Income is included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) when the Church becomes entitled to the resources, and the trustees are reasonably certain they will receive the resources; and the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Resources Expended

These are recognised when a liability is incurred, or a constructive obligation arises, that results in the payment being unavoidable. Liabilities are recognised as soon as an outflow of economic benefit is considered more likely than not under the legal or constructive obligation committing the Church to pay out resources.

4 Fixed assets

	At	At
	31 August 2020	1 September 2019
	£	£
Land and Buildings (insurance value)	4,186,913	4,080,802
Contents (insurance value)	185,312	180,616
Organ (insurance value)	335,878	327,366

5 Debtors and Prepayments

Debtors included in the accounts are in respect of the Gift Aid refund due to the Church from HM Revenue and Customs in respect of the refund claimed up to 31 August 2020.

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Notes to the Accounts for the year ended 31 August 2020

6 Creditors

Creditors were amounts due from the Church at 31 August 2020.

7 Fees for independent examination of the accounts

There were no fees paid for the independent examination of the accounts during the two years ended 31 August 2020.

8 Paid employees

No staff were employed during the two years ended 31 August 2020

9 Capital commitments and contingent liabilities

At the 31 August 2020 there were no capital commitments.

In the event of the St Thomas Methodist Pre-School being unable to settle the liability arising in respect of redundancy being payable to its employees there are maximum contingent liabilities of £11,833 due on 31 August 2020 (£10,895 maximum due on 31 August 2019).

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10 For information only

Money received and passed on to External Organisations

	2019/20 £	2018/19 £
Balance brought fwd from last year	123	1,391
Offerings/Gifts - received for External Organisations	1,581	2,486
Offerings/Gifts - passed to External Organisations	(1,190)	(3,754)
Balance carried fwd	514	123

Analysis of restricted and designated funds 2019-20

Restricted Fund Name	Opening balance £	Incoming Resources £	Resources Expended £	Closing Balance £	Purpose of the fund
Benevolent Fund	100	350		450	Support people in need
Bequests	719		130	589	As per bequest
Internal organisations					
Young families	623	1,440	1,062	1,001	
Boys Brigade	1,579	45	644	980	
St Thomas Pre-School	17,298	104,622	98,281	23,639	
Adult Literacy and Numeracy Club	430	3,876	1,058	3,248	Adult literacy and numeracy support for the citizens of Exeter

Totals 20,749 110,333 101,175 29,907

Restricted Fund Name	Opening Balance £	Incoming Resources £	Resources Expended £	Closing Balance £	Purpose of the fund
Benevolent Fund	341		241	100	Support people in need
Bequests	1,119		400	719	As per bequest
Internal organisations					
Network	249	391	640	0	
Young families	5,794	2,322	7,493	623	
Boys Brigade	900	1,816	1,137	1,579	
St Thomas Pre School	15,141	120,048	117,891	17,298	
Adult Literacy and Numeracy Club		3,487	3,057	430	Adult literacy and numeracy support for the citizens of Exeter

Totals 23,544 128,064 130,859 20,749

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ADMINISTRATION INFORMATION

The Church is situated in Cowick Street, Exeter and is a registered charity

The Managing Trustees during the year were as follows:

Rev Julian Albrow
Peter Bennett
Mary Bailey (stood down 31 August 2020)
Ann Bond
David Bradford
Keith Butler
Sue Collins
Ruth Goodwin (stood down 31 August 2020)
Janet Lee
David Kirk
Jon Curtis (stood down 31 August 2020)
Ann Matthews
Rachel Scott
Peter Kempster
David House

Charity and Minister of the Church at the following address:

Rev Julian Albrow
21 Dunsford Road
Exeter
EX4 1LG

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AIM

The vision of our Church is to:

- * Offer worship to all which is relevant and engaging.
- * To create a community of belonging offering pastoral care to all members particularly those in need.
- * To serve God through our community both the community local to the Church and the world-wide community.

Services are held on a Sunday morning at 10.30 am catering to all ages, an evening service at 6.00 pm and other services dependant on the Christian calendar. The Church is an active member of Churches Together in Central Exeter.

St Thomas Methodist Church is building on its links with St Thomas Parish Church as part of the Anglican Methodist Covenant and Riverside Church by sharing mission opportunities' within the community.

The Church premises are extensively used by the Church in the course of its arranged activities and also by a large number of community groups. Further details concerning the activities of the Church can be found on the Church website.

www.stthomasmethodist.co.uk

TRUSTEE TRAINING

A range of guidance produced by the Methodist Connexion to support the effective running of the Church and the role of Trustees is given to Church Trustees at various meetings and training sessions.

RELATED PARTIES

The Church is part of the Exeter Coast and Country Circuit which is part of the Plymouth and Exeter Methodist District and is also accountable to the Methodist Conference.

Internal organisations linked to the Church are:

5th Exeter Boys Brigade
Young Families Group
St Thomas Pre School
Adult Literacy and Numeracy Club
St Thomas Community Larder

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EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES OF LAST YEAR

The Church has been unable to engage in its normal activities during the year due to Government restrictions arising from the pandemic

- (1) Messy Church has been suspended during lockdown.
- (2) Boys Brigade, Guides, Rainbows and Brownies are all sponsored groups and the Church runs its own Pre-School as well as Carers and Toddlers and a Friday Café.
The Church has maintained contact weekly with these groups by various means.
- (3) Various Church and community groups are not able to meet due to the Government restrictions and are contacted on a weekly basis.
- (4) Church Council acts as the Leadership Team and continues to meet online.
- (5) The Church is not able to offer a social programme for members to develop their common life together due to current Government restrictions. It provides various resources to Church groups.
- (6) The Church has responded to the needs of the community by offering practical help and by responding to appeals to humanitarian needs across the world. It is a member of St Thomas Community Association and has actively supported it.
- (7) The Church has initiated and set up St Thomas Community Larder which is based in the Church and has actively worked with other groups and local Churches to provide food and essential items to around 47 families per week.
- (8) The Church responded to the needs of the community by establishing an Adult Literacy and Numeracy (ALAN) Club. This ran weekly until Government restrictions closed the meetings. The Club had over 60 students and 27 helpers currently has over 60 students with 27 helpers. It had been a great joy seeing people develop their skills and confidence. The Church is anxious for the meetings to recommence as soon as the Government considers it safe to do so.
- (9) Church Council continues with its programme of decoration and enhancement of Church premises. The garden continues to bloom and attracts lots of visitors.
- (10) The Church has continued the work of replacing the old lighting with new LED lights.
- (11) This year due to the Government lockdown the Church has not been able to hold its normal services but has had face to face meetings when allowed.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

The General Fund for the year ended 31 August 2020 showed a surplus of £5,240.

The Church bankers are HSBC Bank and monies are also held on deposit with the Central Finance Board of the Methodist Church.

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CHURCH RESERVE POLICY

The Church has a policy of holding six months expenditure in reserve on the General Fund and organises various fund raising projects and events to provide adequate income.

BENEVOLENT FUND

The Church maintains a benevolent fund which is a restricted fund to enable loans and gifts to be made at the discretion of the Minister. The balance in the Benevolent Fund at 31 August 2020 was £450.

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DECLARATIONS AND SCRUTINY

I confirm that these accruals-based accounts for the year to 31 August 2020 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

Date	20/6/2021
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Name

D Bradford

Address

11 Baker Street, Exeter, EX2 5EA

Presentation to the Church Council for approval.

I confirm that the annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2020 have been presented to the meeting of the Church trustees held on

and were approved.

Signature of the Chair of the meeting

Name of the Chair of the meeting	Rev J Albrow
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Date	20/6/2021
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Independent Examiner's report to the Trustees of the St Thomas Methodist Church Charity No. 1135010

Responsibilities and basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the St Thomas Methodist Church for the year ended 31 August 2020 set out on the attached pages. 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 Charities Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

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; or
- the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view, which is not a matter considered as considered as part of an independent examination
- the trustees annual report is not consistent with the accounts.

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 Purpose 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 Peter Giles Kempster

Relevant professional qualification of independent examiner N/A

Date
20/6/2021

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