

Annual Report to the Charity Commission from Kenilworth Methodist Church Reg. No. 1140252

Kenilworth Methodist Church is part of the Methodist Church of Great Britain. It is based in Kenilworth Warwickshire. It is set up to enable the people in Kenilworth to engage in the calling of the Methodist Church by responding to the gospel of God's love in Christ and to live out their discipleship in worship and mission. It does this through:

- Worship
- Service
- Learning and Caring and
- Evangelism.

Some of the primary ways we approach these aspects of our programme are through conventional Church Services and meetings held in our buildings. The closure of our buildings to all members of the general public from March 2020 has required us to completely reorder our programmes, cancelling some activities completely and migrating others to an online, telephone or postal activity wherever possible. We have been greatly assisted in this by both the South Warwickshire Methodist Circuit and the Birmingham Methodist District. Each of these bodies has hosted online church services and provided material and technical assistance, and we are very grateful to them for the help and guidance they have provided.

The annual income of Kenilworth Methodist Church for the year to 31 Aug 2020, derived mainly from congregational giving and from letting out rooms, amounted to £101,739, and was used to meet our four aims as above. Our income for the year was dramatically affected by the closure of our buildings from mid March, which particularly affected our lettings income.

Our expenditure is usually broadly the same as our income, but as we expected a significant drop in our income, some property and other discretionary expenditure was delayed and some staff were furloughed. As a result, our expenditure was kept to £96,465.

Historically we have been able to support a number of International and National charities either directly or financially. These have included Christian Aid, Action for Children, Samaritan's Purse, (Christmas shoebox appeal), the Malawi Association of Christian Support, the Jeel-al-Amal orphanage in the Holy Land, the Uyogo Friendship link, the Zimbabwe Victims Support Fund and Amnesty International.

Locally, KMC has supported Kenilworth Youth for Christ, Thrive Christian Mission, The Spring Playgroup, the Waverley Day Centre, Warwick and District Foodbank, Carriers of Hope, (supporting refugees in Coventry,) Guy's Gift, (a children's bereavement counselling service), and Helping Hands (who offer local social provision for adults with physical and mental disabilities and learning disorders

We have also made annual donations to the Methodist Church General Fund which supports UK and international aid work, to the Methodist Ministers' Housing Society, to Methodist Homes for the Aged and to the Methodist Relief Fund, (All We Can).

Because of the prevailing circumstances we have not been able to support all of these charities this year, or extend the same level of support to others. It is our fervent hope that as the restrictions are lifted, and as our finances improve, we will be able to resume our previous levels of support and involvement.

Although the Church buildings could only be let for a part of the year, the users included a variety of outside bodies such as mother and toddler groups, a blind persons' group and several exercise, craft, games and skills groups, many being provided by the University of the Third Age and other organisations. There was also extensive use by internal groups and our affiliated Uniformed Organisations as well as use by KMC and others to stage special events and concerts and to provide a weekly drop in café, all of which are open to the general public. We also accepted private lettings, for example, for children's parties. Again, we look forward to reopening our door to these and new tenants when circumstances allow.

Our Safeguarding Group and Risk Assessment team have ensured that the highest standards of protection are in place for everyone who visits our premises, and we have continued to develop and maintain our GDPR policies. Also, our working parties have continued to oversee grounds maintenance, minor internal and external painting and repairs, plastering, plumbing, heating, electrical, insulation, decoration and safety issues.

KMC is an Eco Church, engaging with the local community, seeking to change habits, conserve energy, re-cycle and be involved with environmental campaigns. During the Covid-19 lockdown we felt challenged to develop a small part of our grounds into a garden area that could be used and enjoyed by the local community once the restrictions are lifted and they are able to do so. We wanted to focus on being able to celebrate our release from restrictions and also to mourn the losses and remember the hardships that had been endured. We decided to create a Garden For Hope, mainly filled with edible plants and fruit, that could be jointly developed and managed by the community at large and from which they could freely access the produce that had been grown. Even during lockdown this project has attracted a lot of interest and it is believed that it will become a significant amenity for the community going forward.

Our Assistant Minister, Chris Flood, working with our volunteer Pastoral Visitors team, is involved in providing pastoral and spiritual support to the Church congregation and also in outreach activities in the wider community. Notably, Chris is involved with bereavement counselling for all the families who use KMC for funerals, but the service is also openly available to the local community. During the past year, our ability to support our own members and the community in these ways has been severely curtailed, and has been conducted mainly online or by telephone. During the lockdown period we have been challenged to consider other, new initiatives and ways of reaching out into our local community and we hope that some of these will be developed in the coming year.

Equally, Michael Sharman, our Children and Families Missioner has been involved in the past in a wide range of activities along with the Junior Church staff and the leaders of several of our affiliated groups and organisations. These have included our open Friday Toddlers Group meetings, and a mother and baby friendly "Cafe Church" programme. All of these activities have either had to stop entirely or migrate to an online format, and new and inventive activities are being developed.

As we continue to engage in a wide range of activities, some overtly religious, others less so, we seek to make the underlying message of our faith relevant and accessible to all. We hope that through our witness and contribution within our community we have made a positive impact in the lives of all those who have come into contact with the members of our congregation.

We can be contacted via our website - kenilworthmethodist.org.uk.

THE METHODIST CHURCH
STANDARD FORM OF ACCOUNTS

KENILWORTH METHODIST CHURCH

FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31 August 2020

Mid Warwickshire Circuit

Circuit no 5/12

Registered Charity - Charity Registration number

1140252

Minister:

Revd Jeongsook Kim to 31.08.20. Rev Dr Iain M Ballard from 1.09.2020

Church Leadership Stewards:

**Andy Bennett
Sally McCawley
Roger Faulkner**

**Jo Roberts
Stephen Hunt**

Treasurer:

Mervyn Harvey

ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED

**KENILWORTH METHODIST
CHURCH**

31 August 2020

Unrestricted Funds Restricted Funds Totals this year Totals last year

SECTION A

a1	RECEIPTS	Note	£	£	£	£
a2	Offerings and Tax recovered		70,985	14,597	85,582	92,924
a3	Bank and CFB interest and Investment income		230	0	230	256
a4	Lettings		13,228	0	13,228	24,058
a5	Other receipts		2,698		2,698	3,838
a6	TOTAL RECEIPTS		87,142	14,597	101,739 (a7)	121,076

SECTION B

b1	PAYMENTS				
b2	Circuit Assessment or Share		54,780	0	54,780
b3	Donations		4,806	318	5,124
b4	Repairs and Maintenance		8,395	0	8,395
b5	Utilities (Insurances, water charges, heating & lighting)		7,849	0	7,849
b6					0
b7	Other payments		6,495	13,822	20,317
b8	TOTAL PAYMENTS		82,325	14,140	96,465 (b9)

SECTION C

c1	NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR	(a6-b8)	4,817	457	5,274	(22,386)
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c2	Total funds brought forward from last year		51,555	750	52,304 (c6)	80,394
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c3	Sub total	(c1+c2)	56,372	1,206	57,578	58,008
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c4	Transfers and adjustments		(1,276)	1,276	0 (c8)	(5,704)
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c5	TOTAL FUNDS AT END OF Y (c3+c4)		55,096	2,482	57,578 (c7)	52,304 (c6)
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SECTION D

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)					
d1	Balance brought forward from last year				0	298
d2	Offerings/Gifts - received for external organisations				2,112	3,847
d3	Offerings/Gifts - passed to external organisations				2,112	4,135
d4	BALANCE STILL TO BE PAID (d1+d2-d3)				(0)	0

Kenilworth Methodist Church

COUNCIL

SECTION E

Please follow the Guidance Notes to complete this page

Summary of the Church accounts for the year ended 31 August 2020 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 District. 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	Adjustments	Opening	Closing
e1 Card Group	0	0	0		133	133
e2 Flower Guild	188	205	(17)		384	368
e3 Badminton	48	48	0		0	0
e4 Toddlers	926	1,200	(275)		1,568	1,293
e5 Oasis	0	15	(15)		15	0
e6 Wed coffee morning	250	247	4		20	24
e7						
e8			0			0
e9			0			0
e10			0			0
e11			0			0
e12			0			0
Sub total of Internal Organisations funds	1,412	1,715	(303)	0	2,121 (e11)	1,818 (e12)
e8 Church accounts (totals from page 2)	101,739 (a7)	96,465 (b9)	5,274	0 (c8)	52,304 (c6)	57,578 (c7)
e9 TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH	103,151	98,180	4,971	0	54,425 (x)	59,396 (y)

SECTION F

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

CHURCH - CASH FUNDS HELD at 31 August	OPENING BALANCES	CLOSING BALANCES
f1 Cash in hand	0	
f2 Bank Current Account	19,062	27,807
f3 Bank Deposit Account	0	
f4 Central Finance Board	34,608	28,852
f5 Trustees for Methodist Church	1,570	1,570
f6 Cheques not cashed at end prev year	(3,049)	(843)
f7 Funds received after year end	113	192
f8 SUB TOTAL - Church accounts	52,304 (c6)	57,578 (c7)
f9 Organisations (the closing balance	2,121 (e11)	1,818 (e12)
f10 TOTAL CASH FUNDS	54,425 (x)	59,396 (y)

SECTION G

OTHER ASSETS and LIABILITIES

	At 1 September 2019	At 31 August 2020
g1 Investments (include Endowments)		
g2 Land & Bldgs (see notes re	2,590,297	2,657,651
g3 Other Assets	243,929	250,272
g4 Loan(s) - show amount outstanding at		
g5 Other Liabilities		

f4 Include only Funds held at the Central Finance Board

f5 Include only Funds held at Trustees for Methodist Church Pu

g1 Include any other investments (not the cash element of TMCP trusts accounts this is included in line f5)

DECLARATIONS

Treasurer

I confirm that I have prepared the accounts from the records of the Church and that they include all under the control of the Church Council

Signature of Treasurer



Date

25.11.2020

Name

Mervyn Harvey

Address

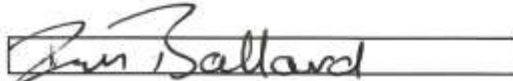
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Burton Green
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CV8 1PB

Presentation to the *Church Council for approval.

I confirm that the Accounts have been presented to the Church Council on and were approved.

25th Nov 2020

Signature of the Chair of the meeting



Name of the Chair of the meeting

Revd Dr Iain M Ballard

Date

25/11/2020

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of the Kenilworth Methodist Church

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Kenilworth Methodist Church (the charity) for the year ended 31 August 2020.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust 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 Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 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.

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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those 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.

Signed:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M. J. Dawson', enclosed within a light blue rectangular border.

Mark Dawson, ACA
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Date:

25 January 2021