

Annual Report of
Kenilworth Methodist Church September 2023-August 2024
Charity Registration Number 1140252

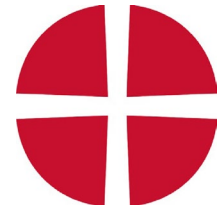
Kenilworth Methodist Church Council has oversight of the activities of Kenilworth Methodist Church working with the Minister. The Church Council delegates some responsibilities to the Leadership Team (see below) and to the following committees: Resources, Pastoral, Discipleship, Mission. The church aims to enable its members to live out their calling as a Methodist People, to develop their discipleship, to worship, to serve and care for others and to draw others to faith through evangelism.

As Christians we promote the principles of service and support at local, national, and international levels. We promote global stewardship, in the form of supporting conservation and sustainability, together with active avoidance of exploitation and wastefulness. The Methodist Church is committed to diversity and non-discrimination in all its activities within and outside the church.

The year running from September 2023 to August 2024 was very encouraging. We had 107 members (including 7 new members) and our average attendance at the 10am service was 68. We had a number of children attending Junior Church every Sunday morning and also made a space available for toddlers or children who preferred to stay with their parents in church. We ran a series of Sunday afternoon sessions, which included some teaching, small discussion groups and a light meal together. These were opportunities to build people up in their faith and also to help new members to integrate and build relationships. In February 2024 we started holding an informal monthly evening service, which we named Spirit and Sacrament, which attracted people not only from our Methodist church but also from other Methodist churches in the area and from the wider community in Kenilworth.

We held a monthly Pastoral Coffee morning on a Wednesday and offered a brief time of worship and the opportunity to take communion occasionally for those attending. This was greatly appreciated by people who found it a challenge to get to a 10am Sunday morning service. To further encourage our pastoral care of the congregation, we started to prepare a Prayer Diary for the church. Individuals were invited to contribute a prayer or brief meditation, and the majority of the congregation expressed their willingness to be included. The aim was to have the diary ready for distribution in September 2024.

Our longstanding Toddler group continued to thrive, and both the sanctuary and the hall were used regularly to host the children and their parents or carers one morning a week. This group



was supported by a large team of volunteers, led by a lady with a background in education who planned the activities very carefully, something that was greatly appreciated by the families. The Junior Church on a Sunday morning saw a few new children coming occasionally and this was seen as an area for potential growth.

A number of uniformed organisations continued to use our premises midweek, without charge, and several church members were among the leaders of the groups and were keen to encourage more links with the church. For example, the Scouts and Rangers helped members of the church to provide refreshments during the annual Carnival procession in June.

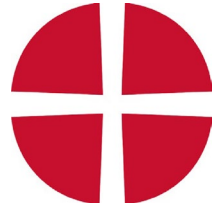
Many of our members are actively involved in the various community groups which exist in Kenilworth. Some rented rooms regularly for their activities: u3a open meetings, gatherings for those who were visually impaired, painting and sewing groups, choir practices and several indoor sports activities to name but a few. We regularly publicised our special services (Christmas and Easter) and other events that we hosted, such as charity collections, coffee mornings, eco fairs to all who came through our doors.

The NHS used the sanctuary area repeatedly during the year for Covid boosters and flu vaccinations. They requested a storage room for their fridges and supplies, which we were happy to provide. They were very grateful for the help of church members in setting up and clearing their equipment at the beginning and end of each session.

The desire to be more inclusive and to make the building more accessible for people with disabilities encouraged us to start looking for ways of making life easier, not only for our church members but also for all who used our premises. We also became more aware of the need to consider our carbon footprint, as individuals and as a church. Members of our Resources Committee spent many hours looking into the best way of improving our building. During the year solar panels were installed on the church roof and automatic doors fitted to the main entrance of the building to improve accessibility. Both are now reaping benefits for both the community and church users. The new doors were fitted in February 2024 and solar panels were installed in July 2024.

The Church Council met five times. (September, December, March, May and June). Our reserves policy was approved at the meeting in March 2024 and there were no debts outstanding.

The General Church Meeting was on 7 July 2024. Fiona Pethick, Sandra Quarterman, and David Williams were re-elected as Leadership Stewards. Catherine Pennington was also made a Leadership Steward, and two new trustees were appointed.



Our annual income for the year to 31 August 2024 totalled £160000. After payments of £145,000 there was a net surplus of £15,000. It is anticipated that most of this surplus will be spent on property repairs and improving accessibility.

Kenilworth Methodist Church June 2025

The Trustees as at 16 June 2025 were

Rev. Dr. Iain Ballard
Madeline Ashton
Andrew Bennett
Christine Benson
Sheila Brown
Jan Burnell
Jonathan Burrows
Graham Caley
Vanessa Caley
Anne Faulkner
James Flood
Anne Horleston
Malcolm Jones
Linda Kirby
Sally McCawley
Catherine Pennington
Fiona Pethick
Sandra Quarterman
Lin Sullivan
Les Thornton
David Williams
Denise Williamson
Patricia Wilkinson

THE METHODIST CHURCH
STANDARD FORM OF ACCOUNTS

Kenilworth Methodist Church

FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31 August 2024

South Warwickshire	Circuit	Circuit no.	5/12
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Registered Charity - Charity Registration number

1140252

If not a registered charity Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs

Gift Aid number

(The HMRC number is equivalent to a registered charity number in terms of evidence of charitable status and may be used to give to donors or grant funders wishing to see evidence of the organisation's charitable status.

Methodist charities in England and Wales that are not registered charities are excepted from registration under Statutory Instrument 2014 No.242)

Minister:

Revd Dr Iain Ballard

Church Stewards:

Fi Pethick

Sandra Quarterman

David Williams

Catherine Pennington from 8/5/24

Treasurer:

Sally McCawley

ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

Kenilworth Methodist Church

SECTION A		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
		£	£	£	£
a1	RECEIPTS	Note			
a2	Offerings and Tax recovered	69,715	41,715	111,430	78,286
a3	Bank and CFB interest and Investment income	3,446	859	4,304	942
a4	Lettings	33,921		33,921	24,376
a5	Other receipts	8,758	1,671	10,429	10,257
a6	TOTAL RECEIPTS	115,840	44,245	160,084 (a7)	113,861

SECTION B		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
		£	£	£	£
b1	PAYMENTS				
b2	Circuit Assessment or Share	62,664		62,664	58,320
b3	Donations		500	500	1,362
b4	Repairs and Maintenance	19,441		19,441	9,859
b5	Utilities (Insurances, water charges, heating & lighting)	12,591		12,591	10,112
b6				0	0
b7	Other payments	6,844	42,856	49,700	5,773
b8	TOTAL PAYMENTS	101,540	43,356	144,896 (b9)	85,425

SECTION C							
c1	NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR	(a6-b8)	14,299	889	15,188		28,436
c2	Total funds brought forward from last year		64,400	3,598	67,998	(c6)	39,562
c3	Sub total	(c1+c2)	78,700	4,487	83,186		67,998
c4	Transfers and adjustments		(4,000)	4,000	0	(c7)	0
c5	TOTAL FUNDS AT END OF YEAR	(c3+c4)	74,700	8,487	83,186	(c8)	67,998 (c6)

SECTION D		£	£
FOR INFORMATION ONLY: MONEY RECEIVED AND PASSED ON TO EXTERNAL ORGANISATIONS			
d	(these amounts are not to be included in total receipts/payments figures above)		
d1	Balance brought forward from last year	0	0
d2	Offerings/Gifts - received for external organisations	1,140	3,596
d3	Offerings/Gifts - passed to external organisations	1,140	3,596
d4	BALANCE STILL TO BE PAID	0	0

SUMMARY OF CHURCH ACCOUNTS AND INTERNAL ORGANISATIONS REPORTING TO THE CHURCH COUNCIL**SECTION E**Please follow the Guidance Notes to complete this page

Summary of the Church accounts for the year ended 31 August 2024 and Internal Organisations reporting to the Church Council/Church Meeting. Note that the funds of an Internal Organisation would normally be Restricted funds unless it could be clearly shown that they could be used for any Methodist purpose. This section must be completed to arrive at the gross income and expenditure totals of the Church. If gross income exceeds the Accruals threshold, then the Accruals method of accounting AND A DIFFERENT FORM must be used to report the accounts (see Methodist website). Please refer to the guidance notes regarding transfers between the District and connected District Organisations

	INTERNAL ORGANISATIONS	Receipts	Payments	Net Receipts/ Payments	Adjustments	Opening balances	Closing balances
e1				0			
e2				0			
e3				0			
e4				0			
e5				0			
e6				0			
e7				0			
e8	Sub total of Internal Organisations funds	0	0	0	0	0 (e11)	0 (e12)
e9	Church accounts (totals brought forward from page 2 - totals column)	160,084 (a7)	144,896 (b9)	15,188	(c7)	67,998 (c6)	83,186 (c8)
e10	TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH	160,084	144,896	15,188	0	67,998 (x)	83,186 (y)
	Continue on a separate sheet if necessary and bring the totals forward	TOTAL RECEIPTS	TOTAL PAYMENTS				

SECTION F**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES**

CHURCH - CASH FUNDS HELD at 31 August 2024

	OPENING BALANCES	CLOSING BALANCES
f1 Cash in hand	0	0
f2 Bank Current Account	13,617	3,415
f3 Bank Deposit Account		
f4 Central Finance Board	54,382	79,771
f5 Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes	0	0
f6 Other funds		
f7 SUB TOTAL - Church accounts	67,998 (c6)	83,186 (c8)
f8 Total funds held by Internal Organisations (the closing balance total from above) (e12)	0 (e11)	0 (e12)
f9 TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH	67,998 (x)	83,186 (y)

SECTION G**OTHER ASSETS and LIABILITIES**

	At 1 September 2023	At 31 August 2024
g1 Investments (include Endowments)		
g2 Land & Buildings (see notes re Insurance value)	3,256,592	3,354,288
g3 Other Assets	306,675	315,875
g4 Loan(s) - show amount outstanding at year end		
g5 Other Liabilities		

f4 Include only Funds held at the Central Finance Board


f5 Include only Funds held at Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes

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

Name of Church: Kenilworth Methodist Church Circuit No 5/12

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.

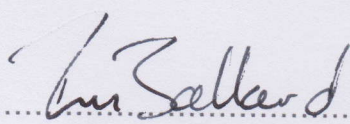
Signature of treasurer  Date 26/2/25

Name and address of treasurer:

Sally McCawley
17 Thirlestane Close
Kenilworth
Warwickshire
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Presentation to the Church trustees

I confirm that the annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2024 were presented to the meeting of the Church trustees held on 26/2/25

Signature of the Chair of the meeting 

Name of the Chair of the meeting Rev Dr Iain Ballard

Date 26/2/25

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 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the charity 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 charity'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

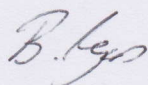
Independent examiner's statement

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 charity 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.

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.



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Date: 2 March 2025