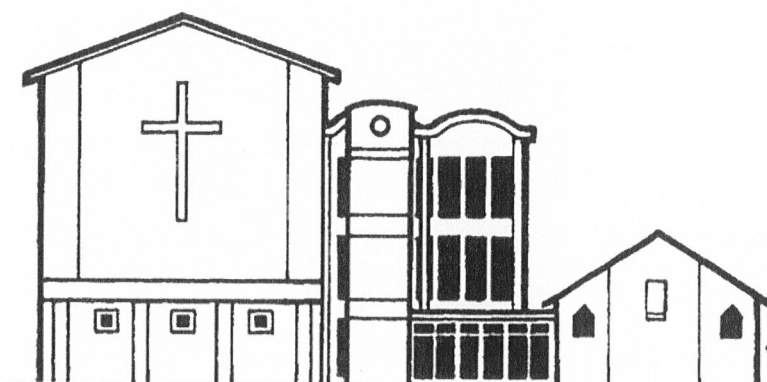


**TRINITY METHODIST CHURCH**  
**RAINSFORD ROAD, CHELMSFORD**

**CM1 2XB**



**ANNUAL REPORT**  
**SEPTEMBER 2024 – AUGUST 2025**

## Trustees' Annual Report for year ended 31 August 2025

It is with deep gratitude to God that I present this ministerial report reflecting on the life, worship, and mission of Trinity Methodist Church over the past year. As a city-centre church situated on Rainsford Road in Chelmsford, Trinity continues to serve as a place of worship, hospitality, community engagement, and mission within the wider city.

### **Worship and Spiritual Life**

At the heart of Trinity's life remains the regular gathering of God's people for worship, prayer, and fellowship. Week by week, members of the congregation gather to praise God, hear the Scriptures, share in prayer, and participate in the sacraments. Our services continue to welcome people of all ages and backgrounds, and we give thanks for the faithful participation of members, volunteers, musicians, and worship leaders who contribute to the spiritual life of the church.

Throughout the year we have also been blessed by special services, seasonal celebrations, and occasions that bring together both the church community and visitors from the wider city. As a city church, Trinity continues to see a steady flow of visitors and newcomers who join our services and events. We remain encouraged by these encounters and pray that those who enter this place may experience the presence and love of God.

### **Mission and Community Engagement**

We give thanks to God for the many missional opportunities that arise through the use of our building. Our calling is to serve the entire city and all its people, regardless of race, colour, faith, or ethnicity. As a city-centre church, Trinity Methodist Church Chelmsford seeks to be a welcoming place where people from many backgrounds can gather, find community, and experience hospitality.

Trinity Methodist Church is blessed with modern facilities that enable the church to serve a wide range of community groups and activities. Throughout the week the building hosts a variety of organisations and gatherings including Brownies, Scouts, a Music and Drama group, bereavement support groups, community events such as an Iftar gathering, Alcoholics Anonymous meetings, and fellowship groups from other churches. These activities ensure that the building is used actively and meaningfully well beyond Sunday worship.

As a church we increasingly understand ourselves not simply as a congregation gathered for worship, but as **a community called out from the community for the community**. This vision shapes how we use our space, our hospitality, and our resources for the benefit of the wider city.

The present trustees have shown generosity, wisdom, and vision in ensuring that the building remains accessible and available to a range of community groups, ministries, and entrepreneurial initiatives. Their commitment has enabled Trinity to remain an open and welcoming place for the people of Chelmsford.

These partnerships bring many people into the building each week who may not otherwise encounter a church. It is our hope and prayer that through their time in this place, individuals may experience a warm and welcoming environment, encounter the Christian community, and sense something of the love and grace of God.

By opening our doors to the wider community, Trinity continues to embody the Methodist calling to serve its neighbourhood and city. The building therefore functions not only as a place of worship, but also as a hub of community engagement, creativity, and service.

## **Membership and Pastoral Life**

During the previous reporting year, Trinity Methodist Church recorded a membership of **125 members**. Over the course of the year there have been several changes in the membership roll. Two members transferred to another church, while a number of faithful members entered into their eternal rest and were received into God's final home.

At the close of the reporting year **2025**, the total recorded membership stands at **119 members**.

While the numerical membership has slightly decreased, we remain encouraged by the wider life of the congregation. As a city church, Trinity continues to welcome many visitors, guests, and new faces who attend our services, concerts, community events, and gatherings. These encounters remind us that the influence and reach of the church extend beyond the formal membership roll.

We continue to place strong emphasis on pastoral care, fellowship, and mutual support within the congregation, ensuring that members who are elderly, unwell, or unable to attend regularly remain connected to the life of the church.

## **Stewardship and Trusteeship**

The trustees of Trinity Methodist Church continue to demonstrate faithful stewardship of the church's resources, buildings, and mission. Their commitment to maintaining the property and enabling the building to serve both church and community is deeply appreciated.

Their careful oversight ensures that the building remains a place where worship, fellowship, and community activity can flourish. Their work also enables the church to respond creatively to opportunities for outreach and engagement in the city.

## **Looking Ahead**

As we look to the future, Trinity Methodist Church remains committed to its calling as a welcoming city church that serves Chelmsford with faith, hope, and love. We pray that God will continue to guide our ministry, strengthen our fellowship, and open new doors for mission.

Our prayer remains that every person who enters this building whether for worship, community activity, or daily work may encounter something of God's presence, grace, and transforming love.

## **Thanksgiving**

Finally, I give thanks to God for the faithfulness of the congregation, the dedication of volunteers and leaders, and the support of the trustees who continue to sustain the ministry of Trinity Methodist Church.

May God continue to bless this church and all who enter its doors.

**Rev. Asif Karam**  
**Minister in-charge**

## **Safeguarding**

Hilary Walden & Diane Potter

The Safeguarding Officers continue to ensure that church volunteers are DBS and Safeguarding training compliant with the support of the Circuit Safeguarding Officer - Esther Burton.

The church's Safeguarding Policy continues to be updated and displayed on the church premises. The latest policy is available in the office and on the website. Contact details are on church notice boards. The current policy was signed in January 2026.

The Safeguarding Officers were responsible for writing a Photography, Filming and Streaming Policy with special reference to issues of privacy, safety and copyright for the filming and streaming of church services at Trinity.

## **Pastoral Visitors**

No report

## **First Steps**

Diane Potter

There were 2 children baptised at Trinity during the year 2024 – 2025

## **Property Report**

Janet Wintle, Property Steward

Whilst general maintenance has continued to be carried out e.g. servicing of both the gas boilers (Link and Worship Area), the lift, the Fire Alarm and the Fire Extinguishers other significant work has also been carried out this calendar year.

Following an accessibility audit commissioned by District it was determined that extra lighting was needed on the front and back stairs leading to the upper hall. This was upgraded with large LED lights on the turning on both staircases. This makes a huge amount of difference to the level of light especially in the winter months.

The edges of the stairs on both staircases have been marked so that people with reduced sight will find it easier to see the edges.

It is our intention to finish this work with further hand rails where only one rail is present.

The lighting in the Vestibule has had a major update with LED lights fitted into the ceiling. Further power points have been fitted in the vestibule too.

New blinds have been fitted in the Worship Area.

New speakers have been purchased for the Worship Area.

In 2026 the Church Quinquennial is due to take place. Once again, the surveyor will bring up the need to repoint the building. This must become a priority for Trinity. Whilst there are no problems at the moment this could easily escalate. We have a problem with bees nesting in the walls of the main Church, (we've already had pest control out in the early summer).

This was successful but by the end of the summer the bees were back entering from a totally different place. Repointing should solve this problem.

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank the Property and Finance committee for all their help this year. Without their support this would be a very difficult job.



Lettings continue to improve. For the first time since Covid the Japanese Students returned to Trinity during August. We are hoping that this relationship will continue next year.

The National Trust continue to meet in the Worship Area during the winter months. We provide refreshments for them in the Link which contributes to the Link Coffee fund enabling a substantial donation to be made to the Church. I was approached by Next Chapter a domestic abuse charity based in Colchester and Chelmsford asking if we would donate a meeting space once a month. This was agreed and they now meet in the Link monthly. Art classes continue in the Link twice a month. These are well attended and hopefully will continue.

**14<sup>th</sup> Chelmsford Scout Group****David Fenton (Group Leader Volunteer)**

The Scout Group remains active, albeit with lower section numbers. This is partly due to not having a Beaver Colony during 2020/2021 due to Covid and the knock on effect upon Cub / Scout sections.

Unfortunately for a number of different reasons, we lost several leaders involved with the Beaver Colony as one went travelling with their family for a year, one transferred to another group to run their own section and another started university. This has left the section short and for part of the year the Beavers & Cubs held combined meetings which seemed to work satisfactorily.

Both the Cub & Scout sections held full programmes taking part in a number of District activities where there were sufficient numbers to make up a team. We had several members represent The Group in the Scout & Guide Gang Show at The Civic Theatre in May.

Both Cubs & Scouts held summer camps, albeit shorter than normal, at Mersey Island and Thriftwood, Brentwood respectively.

With older Scouts moving on, the Troop is now relatively young and for the first time we have more girls than boys. One of our former Scouts was part of an Explorer Expedition to Ghana in the summer where they helped to rebuild a local school as well as seeing the sights.

It has been a very busy time for the Action group

**Discussions took place about the following**

- 1 Our Mission statement – this will be reviewed every year.
- 2 New rotas for the door stewards – How do we encourage more people to sign up for this.
- 3 How to attract new members – our target was set far too high, and we need to be more realistic in our aims. Our new target is 15 in the next year.
- 4 How do we attract new members – University, nearby flats, word of mouth. We have to look at all ways of achieving this.
- 5 Use of our kitchen for the community – maybe contact outside organisations to see if they are interested.
- 6 Coffee after church – The long table system in the Link seems to be working well, but it was discussed that coffee at the back of the church once a month would be considered again. This can all be in place before the service takes place.
- 7 Café services – We thought the last one was a success and we need to plan more for the future.
- 8 The calendar of events for 2026. Please look at the notices and the Trinity calendar for these.

**Actions that were taken from these meetings are as follows:**

- 1 Credit card machine purchased for the Church
- 2 Psalm 91 – Emergency code introduced to the congregation
- 3 Carols on the forecourt – 3 Saturday's with good response from the public. A big thank you to all that attended. Perhaps next year we can see many more of you attending. Mince pies were provided.
- 4 The big sing was held on the 14<sup>th</sup> of December. This was a joint effort from TMD and the congregation. With refreshments afterwards.
- 5 Our Christmas Buffet was held on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> of December. This was a big success even though the numbers attending were considerably down from last year. Big thank you to Janet and her team who supplied a fabulous buffet. Gerald for playing a selection of carols. Thank you also to Karen for the publicity, quiz, raffle and prizes. Perhaps next year there will be more people attending and enjoying fellowship.
- 6 The Christingle service took place on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> of December. This was another success. Thanks to all that attended and made this event happen.
- 7 Additional loft insulation installed.
- 8 New heaters installed in the upstairs hall. The old ones along with the very old curtains were removed and disposed. We will be looking at new blinds or curtains in the near future.

As you can see, we are not just a talking shop. We try to keep the church moving forward and making it successful were new people that walk in for the first time feel comfortable and welcomed and **RETURN**.

If you have any suggestions that you consider will help the church in any way, please contact me and I will take them forward to the group.

## House Groups

### Writtle House Group

No report

### Admirals House Group

Janet Cassels

We continue to meet once a month on the morning of the third Thursday. This year's topics have included a bible study, a person in the Bible who inspires us, current affairs, our favourite religious painting, charities we support and why, a talk from Jim Lowe and lunch at Mary Stevenson's. Our numbers are small and new members are always welcome.

### Springfield House Group

Eric Smart

During the past year, we have met regularly and covered a number of topics. We normally meet once a month on Thursday afternoons at 14.00. There are 12 members of our group, but attendance has been adversely affected by illness of some members. When some have not been able to attend, they have always been mentioned in our opening prayers.

During the past year we have enjoyed the presence of our minister, Rev Asif, on two occasions. At the first he talked about the Christian Church in Pakistan and his involvement with it and on the second occasion, he took us on a journey looking at various religious sites. We studied two books of the bible – Jude and Amos, the latter posing some challenges but also making us realise how the world today is so closely reflected in its words. On a lighter note, we spent one session sharing religious jokes and funny stories and they were presented in abundance. We devoted one session to the subject of prayer, spending a good deal of time, praying for the many areas of conflict, distress, displacement, famine, homelessness and poverty. That was a hard session but one we all felt the need for. Following on from these topics, we decided to have one afternoon where we could simply pose questions about current situations and events and everyone was very vocal about their personal feelings when responding. On another occasion, we all shared our favourite Bible verses and explained why they were so. In a similar vein, we each brought along a piece of music that was meaningful to the person who played it and it was a truly emotional and enjoyable experience for all.

We spent a wonderful sunny afternoon in Oaklands Park, where we had a gentle stroll stopping on three occasions for a short prayer to express appreciation of nature and God's creation. This was followed by a very pleasant afternoon tea in the park café. And our final get-together was when nine of us shared a lovely lunch together, finding plenty to talk about in the run up to Christmas.

If you would like to join us in the coming year, we would be delighted to welcome you. Please call 01376 812889 for any information.

Over the last year, we have been rather unsuccessful in trying to recruit new members. But we have continued to meet 6 times over the year and have been blessed with between 12 and 16 attendees each evening. We have all been shocked and saddened at the loss of our treasurer, Doug Hubble, who passed away at the end of last year, following a period of ill health in hospital. We grieve his loss and miss him terribly.

Our first meeting of the new year was attended by 15 members and we were addressed by my son-in-law, Emi Polito. His work is involved in the scrutiny of video evidence to assist with the conviction of criminals. This was a hugely illuminating talk and there was no shortage of questions from our members. In November, we held our AGM prior to having, what we might call, a maths lesson! Jeff Green, one of our own members and retired maths teacher, put us through our paces and gave us some significant challenges along the way. We all responded pretty well but were not sure that any of us had achieved an A\*!!!

Now in 2025, in January, we were delighted to have our new minister, The Rev Asif, to come along and tell us about the state of Christianity in Pakistan. There were some delightful stories and some that were quite worrying. But we took heart that there were members of the church there who are thoroughly committed to spreading the love of Jesus and the word of God. In March the mood was very different to January, and we had Jane Ribeiro, a tutor at RADA. We heard about how students are helped along their paths to achieve their aims in the world of music and dramatic art. This was very uplifting as have us all hope for the next generations. In May, we were due to entertain Mark Smith from Chelmsford City Council. Unfortunately, he was unavailable on the evening but sent one of his colleagues, Emelia, who gave us great information on how recycling is tackled by the council, what they do to encourage householders to recycle and gave us all tips on what we could do as individuals. This was useful in our endeavours in church to consider our position on ECO going forward. The in July, ladies' night, a local GP, James Mackin, opened our eyes to how a GP surgery is run. It was nothing short of fascinating and certainly changed our opinions on how we had thought surgeries worked these days.

We remain extremely grateful to all those who worked hard to provide us with delicious suppers before our talks and I would like to express my personal thanks to Dave Pitt for not only continuing as Invitations Secretary but taking on the role of Treasurer following Doug's passing. I should mention that, in March, we were sorry to lose Rev Mark as one of our regular attendees. He has moved to Bath into a hospital chaplaincy role and we wish him every success.

Lastly, if you are reading this and thinking that you might like to join us, please do not hesitate to get in touch. You will be most welcome!"

Well, what a year it's been! This being our sixtieth year, many events were organised over and above our normal productions. But let me home in on the productions first. Our very ambitious production of Chess took place in November in the church and we had good audiences at each performance but with a 12 piece orchestra, we were presented with some challenges. Having Helen Wilson and Mark Clements jointly directing, these were generally overcome and we are grateful to them both for the time and effort they put into every rehearsal and producing an end product to be proud of. Our traditional Christmas concert was a great success and thanks to Jan Moore who put this together for us. Soon after that, rehearsals for Carousel were underway and our production in May at the Chelmsford Theatre was a great success artistically but less so financially losing around £6,300. This was a severe blow, but it was encouraging to note that all bar one item on the expenditure side came in below budget, and it was low box office takings that contributed significantly to the deficit. Our sincere thanks go to Debbie Marks, our director, and Gerald Hindes, our MD, for all their hard work in getting such a super production onstage. Please let me thank all those who contributed in any way towards the production, and not least of all, Wiley, who took on the role of stage manager for the first time.

Our Social and Fundraising team tried to organise an event, some small and some very elaborate, every month. Some were just simple things to take place at rehearsals, but we must congratulate them on a wonderful celebratory gala dinner at Little Channels for our 60<sup>th</sup> birthday. I think I can safely say that all who attended had a thoroughly good time and we were delighted to entertain 3 of our Founder Members, Ken Rolf and Anton and Veronica Archer. We had a very successful and well-attended quiz night which generated some very welcome funds into the kitty. These activities need to be well supported as income from them is needed to plug the gap on show losses and I thank all of you who continue to support what is organised.

2025, being our 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary, we thought it appropriate to return to our roots which were firmly planted in G&S. Consequently, we ran a one day workshop where individuals spent the whole day singing G&S melodies and choruses, culminating in a performance to which the public were invited. Wow! It was so impressive and enjoyable and we are deeply indebted to Jan Moore, who organised the event, and Felicity Gage who put people through their paces and conducted them on the evening. It certainly made me wonder why we have moved away from such fabulous shows like Pirates, Gondoliers, Iolanthe and The Mikado! What do you think?

Now I need to express thanks. I must, first of all, thank Rev Asif for agreeing to be our President whilst he is the minister for Trinity and we are always happy to see him at any of our committee meetings. And talking of committee, it would be extremely remiss of me not to say a huge thank you to my fellow committee members, all of whom have worked very hard throughout the year. We have welcomed Lauren Russell onto the committee during the year and we hope she will be with us for some time to come. I would not normally single out any member of the committee for special thanks but I do want to do so now. Emma, Jill and Helen have joined me and have been tireless in the contributions they have made to some major tasks undertaken by the committee. Thanks so much. And Jan Moore, too, has given me continuing personal support throughout the year. We are now well into Godspell, and we hope and pray that we will deliver both an artistic and financial success.

As always, we are deeply indebted to Trinity for allowing us the use of their premises albeit at some cost, but we are so appreciative that we have somewhere to call home.



## AGM Treasurers Report for year end 31st August 2025

### Bank account

At the end of this financial year, we had £8,804.19 in our bank account.

Overall, we had a surplus in the financial year of £8,985.19.

This is due to a refund from Circuit of £10,693.00. If you remove that amount, we made a loss of £1,707.81. But this also includes £2,972.00 for new blinds in the worship area. I had budgeted for a loss of £6,000 but due to our reserve accounts still attracting high interest rates which put us in a much better position.

### Reserve funds.

CFB General £125,065.42

TMCP £30,003.89

Less Reserve policy amount (6 months) £50,000.00

Total remaining £105,069.31

### Offerings

We received £43,084.83 this year, which is over budget by £3,504.83. **Up £765.13 on the previous year.**

### Property Lettings

Lettings raised £18,970.25. Under budget by £3,029.75. (On an increased budget) Down on the previous year by £1,043.43.

We have been attracting new lettings and hope we continue to do so.

Thank you once again Janet and Nick for all your efforts, they are very much appreciated by us all.

### General

Bills continue to increase yearly. We **must** look to reducing our consumption of Gas & Electricity, making sure that lights are turned off and heating when not in use. Re the use of the Hall. We have moved bookings from the hall to the Link where we can reduce the costs to us. This only left large groups like the scouts that will use it. This kept our heating bills to a minimum. We intend to increase the loft insulation and install new heaters very soon. Which hopefully will reduce our Electricity bills.

### Circuit

Our contribution to Circuit was £56,364.00 (£4,697 monthly) This will decrease next year to £49,450.00 (£4,120.83 monthly) This is mainly due to only having two Ministers in the Circuit next year.

### General Comments

This has been another challenging year. With our ever-increasing costs, to maintain any sort of status quo we must look at all income streams to generate more. There will be tough times ahead especially on our finances. As we seem to be under pressure from all sides.

We **MUST** be careful how we spend the reserves as we are not able to replace them at any time soon.

I don't know what the future holds for Trinity, but rest assured that the people looking after the Church are doing a wonderful job in sometimes difficult circumstances.

Nigel Murrell, Treasurer

## **Trustees of the Church**

### **Minister**

Rev Asif Karam

### **Stewards**

Jeff Green

Janet Cassels

Christine Elles

Tony Bender

John Cullum

### **Church Representatives**

Judy Molyneux

Nigel Murrell

Janet Wintle

Linda Hoskyn

Eric Smart

Kay Burton

Tony Bender

Diane Potter / Hilary Walden

Diane Potter

Sheridan Pengelly

Jeff Green

Janet Cassels

Russell Burton

Karen Murrell

Val Scott

Church Council Secretary

Treasurer

Property Steward

Pastoral Secretary

Action Group Chair

Worship & Nurture Chair

Mission & Outreach Chair

Safeguarding Officers

Office representative

Circuit representative

Circuit representative

Circuit representative

Congregational representative

Congregational representative

Congregational representative



## THE METHODIST CHURCH STANDARD FORM OF ACCOUNTS

TRINITY METHODIST, CHELMSFORD

Church

FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31 August 2025

<b>Beds, Essex &amp; Herts</b>	<b>Circuit</b>	<b>Circuit no.</b>	<b>34/9</b>
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**Registered Charity - Charity Registration number**

**1144627**

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

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

Minister:

Rev Asif Karam

Church Stewards:

<b>Jeff</b>	<b>Green</b>
<b>Christine</b>	<b>Elles</b>
<b>Tony</b>	<b>Bender</b>
<b>Janet</b>	<b>Cassels</b>
<b>John</b>	<b>Cullum</b>

Treasurer:

Nigel Murrell

SECTION A		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
		£	£	£	£
a1	<b>RECEIPTS</b>	<b>Note</b>			
a2	Offerings and Tax recovered	54,196.30		<b>54,196.30</b>	54,049.21
a3	Bank and CFB interest and Investment income	6,408.87		<b>6,408.87</b>	6,306.27
a4	Lettings	18,970.25		<b>18,970.25</b>	20,013.68
a5	Other receipts	29,005.53		<b>29,005.53</b>	47,504.48
a6	<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<b>108,580.95</b>	-	<b>108,580.95</b> (a7)	<b>127,873.64</b>

SECTION B		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
b1	<b>PAYMENTS</b>				
b2	Circuit Assessment or Share	56,364.00		<b>56,364.00</b>	53,004.00
b3	Donations	350.00		<b>350.00</b>	200.00
b4	Repairs and Maintenance	9,865.50		<b>9,865.50</b>	18,431.50
b5	Utilities (Insurances, water charges, heating & lighting)	13,554.14		<b>13,554.14</b>	16,413.43
b6				-	
b7	Other payments	18,919.58		<b>18,919.58</b>	15,927.32
b8	<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>	<b>99,053.22</b>	-	<b>99,053.22</b> (b9)	<b>103,976.25</b>

SECTION C		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
c1	<b>NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR</b> (a6-b8)	9,527.73	-	<b>9,527.73</b>	23,897.39
c2	Total funds brought forward from last year	155,012.83		<b>155,012.83</b> (c6)	131,115.44
c3	<b>Sub total</b> (c1+c2)	164,540.56	-	<b>164,540.56</b>	<b>155,012.83</b>
c4	Transfers and adjustments			- (c7)	
c5	<b>TOTAL FUNDS AT END OF YEAR</b> (c3+c4)	<b>164,540.56</b>	-	<b>164,540.56</b> (c8)	<b>155,012.83</b> (c6)

SECTION D		£	£
<b>FOR INFORMATION ONLY: MONEY RECEIVED AND PASSED ON TO EXTERNAL ORGANISATIONS</b>			
d	(these amounts are not to be included in total receipts/payments figures above)		
d1	Balance brought forward from last year	667.06	401.51
d2	Offerings/Gifts - received for external organisations	2,824.66	6,277.91
d3	Offerings/Gifts - passed to external organisations	2,282.12	6,012.36
d4	<b>BALANCE STILL TO BE PAID</b> (d1+d2-d3)	<b>1,209.60</b>	<b>667.06</b>

**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 2025 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	Mens Supper Club	659.00	413.90	245.10	-	104.48	349.58
e2	Coffee Shop	786.76	773.89	12.87	-	392.90	405.77
e3	Tea at Two		553.73	- 553.73	-	553.73	-
e4	Trinity Music & Drama	39,143.05	44,360.50	- 5,217.45	-	16,116.96	10,899.51
e5	Trinity Events	-	-	-	-	140.00	140.00
e6	Trinity Care Club	180.00	367.47	- 187.47	-	187.47	-
e7				-	-		-
e8	Sub total of Internal Organisations funds	40,768.81	46,469.49	- 5,700.68	-	17,495.54 (e11)	11,794.86 (e12)
e9	Church accounts (totals brought forward from page 2 - totals column)	108,580.95 (a7)	99,053.22 (b9)	9,527.73	(c7)	155,012.83 (c6)	164,540.56 (c8)
e10	TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH	149,349.76	145,522.71	3,827.05	-	172,508.37 (x)	176,335.42 (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 2025**

	OPENING BALANCES	CLOSING BALANCES
f1 Cash in hand	-	-
f2 Bank Current Account	9,353.39	9,471.25
f3 Bank Deposit Account	-	-
f4 Central Finance Board	112,699.35	125,065.42
f5 Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes	32,960.09	30,003.89
f6 Other funds	-	-
f7 SUB TOTAL - Church accounts	155,012.83 (c6)	164,540.56 (c8)
f8 Total funds held by Internal Organisations (the closing balance total from above) (e12)	17,495.54 (e11)	11,794.86 (e12)
f9 TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH	172,508.37 (x)	176,335.42 (y)

**SECTION G**

**OTHER ASSETS and LIABILITIES**

	At 1 September 2024	At 31 August 2025
g1 Investments (include Endowments)		
g2 Land & Buildings (see notes re Insurance value)	4,575,585.00	4,735,665.00
g3 Other Assets	192,164.00	198,887.00
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 Trinity Methodist Church No. 1/44827

## Declarations and Scrutiny

I confirm that these Receipt and Payment based accounts for the year to 31 August 2025 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 Nc M Date 28/11/25

Name and address of treasurer Nigel Murrell

10A Tower Aveune, Chelmsford, Essex CM1 2PW

### Presentation to the Church trustees

I confirm that the annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2025 were/will be\* presented to the meeting of the Church trustees held on 27/5/26.

Signature of the Chair of the meeting Ch

Name of the Chair of the meeting Rev Asif Karam Date 27/5/26

CHIR  
ALICE

## Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

### Trinity Methodist Church

Charity Number 1144627

### Responsibilities and basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the TRINITY METHODIST (CHELMSFORD) Church for the year ended 31 August 2025 set out on pages 1 to 3. As the Church's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

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



Name of Church ..... TRINITY METHODIST CHURCH (CHELMSFORD) ..... No

### Independent Examiner's Statement

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

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

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination 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 Trustee Church Purposes or held in other trusts, bank balances and funds at the Central Finance Statement Date 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 Chris Regan

Relevant professional qualification of independent examiner MATT, ATT

Name of firm (where appropriate) Chris Regan Limited

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Date ..... 27/11/2025 .....