

BETHEL COMMUNITY CHURCH BIERLEY

England & Wales · Charity number 1147497

Details

Other names BCC

Status Registered

Legal form Trust

Registered 2012-05-29

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

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Activities

Objects: THE TRUSTEES FOR THE TIME BEING SHALL AT ALL TIMES PERMIT THE SAID PREMISES AND THE CHAPEL SCHOOL OR OTHER BUILDINGS FROM TIME TO TIME STANDING THEREON TO BE USED AND OCCUPIED AND ENJOYED AS A PLACE FOR THE PUBLIC WORSHIP OF GOD AND FOR THE INSTRUCTION OF CHILDREN AND ADULTS UNDER THE DIRECTION OF THE SOCIETY OR CHURCH ASSEMBLING FOR WORSHIP THEREON IN CONNECTION WITH THE SAID DENOMINATION OR CONNEXION ACCORDING TO THE PRINCIPLES CONSTITUTION USAGES POLITY AND RULES FROM TIME TO TIME OF THE SAID DENOMINATION AND ALSO FOR THE PROMOTION OF SUCH OTHER RELIGIOUS, EDUCATIONAL OR CHARITABLE PURPOSES AS THE SAID SOCIETY OR CHURCH SHALL FROM TIME TO TIME DIRECT.

Activities: The building continues to be used by outside organisations and the local clergy as well as the regular functions of a place of worship. A number of social events for members of the local community have also been held. We continue to support missionary and relief organisations both nationally and internationally.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services
- **What:** Religious Activities
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** NOT DEFINED IN PRACTICE BRADFORD CITY
- Bradford City

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-12-31	£1,292	£14,508	-	-
2024-12-31	£51,507	£46,918	-	-
2023-12-31	£43,010	£40,917	-	-
2022-12-31	£38,664	£41,081	-	-
2021-12-31	£39,726	£44,680	-	-
2020-12-31	£45,838	£45,781	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
ANDREW JOHN DENNISON		2012-05-14
Amanda Charlotte Thompson		2017-03-13
MARGARET DENNISON		2012-05-14

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Trustees Annual Report for Period 1 January 2024 to 31 December 2024

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Andrew Dennison		
Margaret Dennison	Secretary/Treasurer	
Amanda Thompson	Chairperson (Temp)	
Andrew Chapman		
Jonathan Biggin		Resigned 29/12/2024

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Muriel Bruntlett	
Margaret Dennison	
Amanda Thompson	

Professional advisor

Andrew S Parker (Independent Examiner)
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Achievements and Performance

Our work to support all members of our church community through difficult times has continued.

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Our building is being used by a local Christian Youth Organization for a variety of sessions to engage with the young people in our area.

With grant funding we have sought to meet the needs spiritually and physically of both young and old. This has included a variety of events through the Summer and Autumn.

The work to provide social housing next to the church is complete and we have welcomed people from a variety of countries into the area, some of whom have joined in our activities.

Sadly, after the resignation of our minister on 29th December, with no one being willing or able to take a lead, a decision was made on 2nd January 2025 to close the church and its ministry. As there will be further financial and practical transactions this will be reported on in the next financial year.

Bethel Community Church Trustees Annual Report for Period 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2023 (continued)

Financial Review

Although we do not have a reserves policy as such our aim is to use our financial reserves to make Bethel Community Church a place where people want to be both from a faith and practical point of view.

Our main source of funding is from our own people some of whom give sacrificially for the benefit of the church. We are able to claim some funding via the Gift Aid Scheme.

We have also received funding from an outside agency for Wellbeing to support those within and outside the church.

Declaration

I declare, in my capacity of Charity Trustee, that:

- the trustees have approved the report above; and
- have authorised me to sign it on their behalf.

Signature:



Full Name: Margaret Dennison

Date: March 19, 2025

Bethel Community Church

Receipts and payments account for the year ended 31 December 2024

		2024	2024	2024	2023
	Notes	Restricted	Unrestricted	Total	Total
		£	£	£	£
Receipts					
Collections		-	26,511	26,511	24,542
Gift Day		-	1,660	1,660	1,160
HMRC Gift Aid		-	5,683	5,683	5,248
Earned income		-	2,153	2,153	800
Grants	1	15,500	-	15,500	9,705
Appeals		-	-	-	1,535
Interest Received		-	-	-	20
Total Receipts		<u>15,000</u>	<u>36,007</u>	<u>51,507</u>	<u>43,010</u>
Payments					
Minister's Remuneration and expenses		7,500	19,669	27,169	22,441
Youth Worker Fees		1,485	-	1,485	1,200
Building utilities		395	1,515	1,910	2,304
Building- maintenance and repairs		-	2,213	2,213	1,264
Cleaning		-	515	515	702
Ministry expenses		2,959	626	3,585	67
Union and Circuit Levy		-	587	587	579
Children's and YP Ministry		1,682	-	1,682	1,030
Stationery and Copier Expenses		-	599	599	940
Outreach Ministry		-	3,410	3,410	3,790
Hospitality including gifts and flowers		1,789	1,974	3,763	2,603
Fees		-	-	-	-
Total Payments		<u>15,810</u>	<u>31,108</u>	<u>46,918</u>	<u>40,917</u>
Net Receipts/(Payments)		(310)	4,899	4,589	2,093
Cash funds last year end		<u>573</u>	<u>18,904</u>	<u>19,477</u>	<u>17,384</u>
Cash fund this year end		<u>263</u>	<u>23,803</u>	<u>24,066</u>	<u>19,477</u>

Bethel Community Church
Statement of assets and liabilities
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	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total £
Cash Funds			
Cash Account	318	-	318
Current Account	<u>23,485</u>	<u>263</u>	<u>23,748</u>
	<u>23,803</u>	<u>263</u>	<u>24,066</u>

Signed on behalf of all the trustees



Margaret Dennison
March 19, 2025

Independent examiner's report to the Trustees of Bethel Community Church

I report on the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 31 December 2024.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

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Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and the seeking of explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and, consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

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Andrew S Parker Chartered Accountant
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21 April 2025

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for the year ended 31 December 2024

1. Grants	£
Wesleyan RU	7,500
Tong Wellbeing Hub	7,000
Bradford City Challenge	<u>1,000</u>
	<u>15,500</u>

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We have held a Men's Night and a Ladies Evening on alternate months. These have been well received by those attending.

Our building is being used by a local Christian Youth Organization for a variety of sessions to engage with the young people in our area.

We host a Neurodiverse Group, weekly entitled 'Colourful minds', a weekly drop in for 'Tea and Toast' for all ages and a weekly Senior Ladies Dance/Exercise Class. Each of these groups are attended by not only church members but members of the community.

The work to provide social housing next to the church is almost complete and some of the homes are now populated. We are hoping to welcome new people into the church.

Bethel Community Church Trustees Annual Report for Period 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2023 (continued)

Financial Review

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Declaration

I declare, in my capacity of Charity Trustee, that:

- the trustees have approved the report above; and
- have authorised me to sign it on their behalf.

Signature:



Full Name: Margaret Dennison

Date: March 21, 2024

Bethel Community Church

Receipts and payments account for the year ended 31 December 2023

		2023	2023	2023	2022
	Notes	Restricted	Unrestricted	Total	Total
		£	£	£	£
Receipts					
Collections		-	24,542	24,542	25,623
Gift Day		-	1,160	1,160	1,621
HMRC Gift Aid		-	5,248	5,248	5,144
Earned income		-	800	800	350
Grants	1	9,705	-	9,705	5,925
Appeals		-	1,535	1,535	-
Interest Received		-	20	20	1
Total Receipts		<u>9,705</u>	<u>33,305</u>	<u>43,010</u>	<u>38,664</u>
Payments					
Minister's Remuneration and expenses		6,925	19,516	26,441	22,104
Youth Worker Fees		1,200	-	1,200	7,200
Building utilities		-	2,304	2,304	2,187
Building- maintenance and repairs		580	684	1,264	1,379
Cleaning		-	702	702	535
Ministry expenses		-	67	67	441
Union and Circuit Levy		-	576	576	499
Children's and YP Ministry		1,011	19	1,030	1,102
Stationery and Copier Expenses		-	940	940	1,192
Outreach Ministry		-	3,790	3,790	3,741
Hospitality including gifts and flowers		77	2,526	2,603	701
Fees		-	-	-	-
Total Payments		<u>9,793</u>	<u>31,124</u>	<u>40,917</u>	<u>41,081</u>
Net Receipts/(Payments)		(88)	2,181	2,093	(2,417)
Cash funds last year end		<u>661</u>	<u>16,723</u>	<u>17,384</u>	<u>19,801</u>
Cash fund this year end		<u>573</u>	<u>18,904</u>	<u>19,477</u>	<u>17,384</u>

Bethel Community Church
Statement of assets and liabilities
As at 31 December 2023

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total £
Cash Funds			
Cash Account	489	-	489
Current Account	<u>18,415</u>	<u>573</u>	<u>18,988</u>
	<u>18,904</u>	<u>573</u>	<u>19,477</u>

Signed on behalf of all the trustees



Margaret Dennison
March 21, 2024

Independent examiner's report to the Trustees of Bethel Community Church

Report on the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 31 December 2022

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May 1, 2024

**Bethel Community Church
Notes to the Accounts
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1. Grants	£
Wesleyan RU	8,125
Bradford City Challenge	<u>1,580</u>
	<u>9,705</u>

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We have held a Men's Curry Night on a monthly basis. This has proved to be a popular event and engages well with the men in our community. Good discussion is enjoyed as well as good food.

Our building is being used by a local Christian Youth Organization for a variety of sessions to engage with the young people in our area.

A change of leadership towards the end of the year has proved a positive move forward. At Christmas we held a Christingle Service and a Carol Service with invitations going out into the Community.

Work has commenced on new houses being built next to the church and plans are being made to welcome our new neighbours.

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Signature:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Margaret Dennison', written over a circular stamp or seal.

Full Name: Margaret Dennison

Date: March 22, 2023

Bethel Community Church

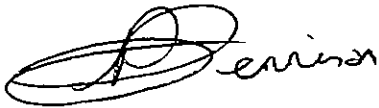
Receipts and payments account for the year ended 31 December 2022

	Notes	2022 Restricted £	2022 Unrestricted £	2022 Total £	2021 Total £
Receipts					
Collections		-	25,623	25,623	25,697
Gift Day		-	1,621	1,621	1,095
HMRC Gift Aid		-	5,144	5,144	5,233
Earned income		-	350	350	700
Grants	1	5,925	-	5,925	4,875
Appeals		-	-	-	2,035
Interest Received		-	1	1	91
Total Receipts		<u>5,925</u>	<u>32,739</u>	<u>38,664</u>	<u>39,726</u>
Payments					
Minister's Remuneration and expenses		-	22,104	22,104	27,068
Youth Worker Fees		6,301	899	7,200	3,025
Building utilities		-	2,187	2,187	2,185
Building- maintenance and repairs		550	829	1,379	733
Cleaning		-	535	535	491
Ministry expenses		-	441	441	1,366
Union and Circuit Levy		-	499	499	864
Children's and YP Ministry		1,102	-	1,102	830
Stationery and Copier Expenses		-	1,192	1,192	1,074
Outreach Ministry		-	3,741	3,741	3,910
Hospitality including gifts and flowers		-	701	701	2,596
Fees		-	-	-	538
Total Payments		<u>7,953</u>	<u>33,128</u>	<u>41,081</u>	<u>44,680</u>
Net Receipts/(Payments)		(2,028)	(389)	(2,417)	(4,954)
Cash funds last year end		<u>2,689</u>	<u>17,112</u>	<u>19,801</u>	<u>24,755</u>
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Bethel Community Church
Statement of assets and liabilities
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	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total £
Cash Funds			
Cash Account	486	-	486
Current Account	9,504	661	10,165
National Savings Investments Account	<u>6,733</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>6,733</u>
	<u>16,723</u>	<u>661</u>	<u>17,384</u>

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Margaret Dennison
March 22, 2023

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Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for the whole year
Frank Bruntlett		
Muriel Bruntlett		Resigned 12/04/2021
Beverley Chapman		
Andrew Dennison		
Margaret Dennison	Secretary/Treasurer	
Paul Scott		Resigned 12/04/2021
Amanda Thompson	Chairperson (Temp)	
Andrew Mark Wade		
Lyndsey Wade		

The above are all appointed by the Church Members who are the governing body of the church.

The Custodian Trustees are:-

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for the whole year
Frank Bruntlett	
Muriel Bruntlett	
Margaret Dennison	
Amanda Thompson	

Professional advisor

Andrew S Parker (Independent Examiner)
15 Meadow Court
Allerton
Bradford
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Structure, governance and management

Bethel Community Church is a Trust, their governing document being a Trust Deed which has been updated during the year. All Trustees, being Custodian Trustees or Charity Trustees are appointed at the Annual General Meeting of the Church by the Church Members.

Bethel Community Church is a member of the Wesleyan Reform Union of Churches, the Evangelical Alliance.

Objectives and Activities

To promote Christianity in Bierley and the Bradford Area and provide opportunities for Christian experience and growth for its members and adherents.

A variety of opportunities to explore and experience Christian faith is offered. This embraces activities for all ages including children and young people.

To provide a building and activities that can be of benefit to the local community and events are held throughout the year to encourage social interaction.

In addition to a full-time paid minister and a part-time paid youth worker and part-time cleaner, volunteers from the membership contribute greatly to the ongoing life of the church and its many activities.

Achievements and Performance

Our work to support all members of our church community through difficult times has continued and we have been able to return to in person activities as legislation has allowed.

In October we commenced "Messy Church" which is an initiative to provide a safe environment for families to engage with Christianity. We had two very successful Messy Churches (on a Sunday afternoon commencing with lunch) and then in December we felt it necessary to hold back owing to the new Covid virus. We were able to facilitate a much reduced version of Messy Church in December with the children, parents, and staff from a nearby nursery.

We have commenced a Men's Curry Night that takes place on the first Monday of each month. This has proved to be a popular event and engages well with the men in our community. Good discussion is enjoyed as well as good food.

From September we have employed a Sessional Youth worker. Thus far we have been able to do detached work in the area which we hope will lead to youth drop-in sessions and have plans to extend drop ins to other members of the community, both young parents and senior people. Volunteers from the church will be involved in all these activities.

We are delighted that as the year has progressed, we have seen additional people engaging with us both on Sunday and midweek and our timetable is getting quite full with a variety of activities to meet the needs of all age groups in our community.

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Financial Review

Although we do not have a reserves policy as such our aim is to use our financial reserves to make Bethel Community Church a place where people want to be both from a faith and practical point of view.

Our main source of funding is from our own people some of whom give sacrificially for the benefit of the church. We are able to claim some funding via the Gift Aid Scheme.

Declaration

I declare, in my capacity of Charity Trustee, that:

- the trustees have approved the report above; and
- have authorised me to sign it on their behalf.

Signature: 

Full Name: Margaret Dennison

Date: March 22, 2022

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Receipts and payments account for the year ended 31 December 2021

	Notes	2021 Restricted £	2021 Unrestricted £	2021 Total £	2020 Total £
Receipts					
Collections		-	25,697	25,697	28,913
Church @ 5		-	-	-	44
Gift Day		-	1,095	1,095	1,170
Inland Revenue		-	5,233	5,233	5,622
Fees		-	700	700	1,050
Grants	1	4,875	-	4,875	8,583
Appeals		-	2,035	2,035	5
Interest Received		-	91	91	101
Meeting point		-	-	-	350
Sundry Receipts		-	-	-	-
Total Receipts		<u>4,875</u>	<u>34,851</u>	<u>39,726</u>	<u>45,838</u>
Payments					
Minister's Remuneration and expenses		-	27,068	27,068	21,688
Youth Worker Fees		3,025	-	3,025	12,355
Building utilities		-	2,185	2,185	2,027
Building- maintenance and repairs		-	733	733	343
Cleaning		-	491	491	933
Ministry expenses		250	1,116	1,366	2,073
Union and Circuit Levy		-	864	864	483
Children's and YP Ministry		830	-	830	808
Stationery and Copier Expenses		14	1,060	1,074	638
Outreach Ministry		-	3,910	3,910	3,945
Hospitality including gifts and flowers		61	2,535	2,596	383
Fees		-	538	538	105
Total Payments		<u>4,180</u>	<u>40,500</u>	<u>44,680</u>	<u>45,781</u>
Net Receipts/(Payments)		695	(5,649)	(4,954)	57
Cash funds last year end		<u>1,994</u>	<u>22,761</u>	<u>24,755</u>	<u>24,698</u>
Cash fund this year end		<u>2,689</u>	<u>17,112</u>	<u>19,801</u>	<u>24,755</u>

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Statement of assets and liabilities
As at 31 December 2021

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total £
Cash Funds			
Cash Account	190	-	190
Current Account	4,190	2,689	6,879
National Savings Investments Account	<u>12,732</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>12,732</u>
	<u>17,112</u>	<u>2,689</u>	<u>19,801</u>

Signed on behalf of all the trustees



Margaret Dennison
March 22, 2022