

RADCLIFFE-ON-TRENT METHODIST CHURCH

England & Wales · Charity number 1159370

Details

Status	Registered
Legal form	Previously excepted
Registered	2014-11-26
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

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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: Sunday Services including Holy Communion Junior Church, House Groups, meet regularly Church provides pastoral care and support to the sick, elderly and bereaved within the village 13 organisations use Church premises for their activities Church members are involved in numerous fundraising and social activities for the benefit of the Church and other worthy causes

Classification

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

Geography

- Nottinghamshire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-08-31	£93,959	£92,124	-	-
2024-08-31	£98,053	£82,989	-	-
2023-08-31	£92,409	£88,237	-	-
2022-08-31	£84,061	£86,522	-	-
2021-08-31	£92,668	£118,119	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Alan Wakefield		2022-05-01
Andrew John Morley-Tyson		2022-09-27
Ann Mills		2021-06-20
Annabelle Luce		2020-06-02
CHRISTINE ANDERSON		2012-04-22
DR DAVID MORLEY		2016-12-11
Elaine Upton		2021-06-20
Gwyn Farmer		2021-06-20
HELEN HANCOCK		2016-04-22
Hllary Jean Greenhalgh		2021-10-12
Jane JAMES		2021-06-20
Jean Christine April Wilson Morley		2020-11-17
Jean Smith		2021-02-22
Jonathan Plackett Hancock		2024-06-02
Lisa Marie Jones		2024-06-02
MARGERLY SIGGS		2007-04-23
MRS JAN SANDERSON		2012-04-22
Margaret-Ann Dickie		2021-06-20
Marion Petch		2021-06-20
Mark Anthony Greenhalgh		2016-12-18
Neville Bemrose		2021-06-20
Peter Francis Watson		2020-11-17
Richard Sanderson		2020-09-01
Roger Allton		2012-04-22
STUART JONES		2017-04-22
Stephany Fogg		2021-06-20
Susan Wakefield		2022-05-01

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Radcliffe-on-Trent

Trustees' Annual Report to the Charity Commission, Financial Review, and Other Information for the Year ended 31st August 2025

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Annual report for the year ended 31st August 2025

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Trustees' Annual Report

1. Introduction

Welcome to the annual report of the managing trustees of Radcliffe-on-Trent Methodist Church. Methodism has been present in Radcliffe since the late 18th century when residents were inspired to form a Methodist society after a visit by John Wesley to the local area. Today we are a community of people of all ages who love to follow Jesus and enjoy worshipping and working together. We are active in our village community, sharing good news about Jesus, caring, serving and joining in. We are committed to doing this together with other Christians in Radcliffe wherever possible.

2. Aims and purposes

We are part of the Methodist Church in Great Britain and as such share the same purposes, i.e. the advancement of:

- The Christian faith in accordance with the doctrinal standards and discipline of The Methodist Church;
- Any charitable purpose for the time being of any Connexional, District, Circuit, local or other organisation of The Methodist Church;
- Any charitable purpose for the time being of any society or institution subsidiary or ancillary to The Methodist Church;
- Any purpose for the time being of any charity being a charity subsidiary or ancillary to The Methodist Church

In doing this in Radcliffe-on-Trent we seek to live out our Mission Statement which is :

As God's Methodist family in Radcliffe-on-Trent we commit as individuals and as a church :

- To follow Jesus and share the good news of God's love for all, united in the power of the Holy Spirit.
- To grow in faith and care for all.
- To give generously and share our resources wholeheartedly to meet spiritual and social needs in our village and wider community.

3. Objectives and activities

The main activities of the church are:

- The organisation and resourcing of regular public acts of worship open to members of the church and non-members- alike.
- The teaching of Christianity through sermons, courses and small groups.
- The resourcing of pastoral work including visiting the sick and bereaved.
- Taking religious assemblies in local schools.
- Promotion of Christianity through the staging of events and services.
- Provision of services to local schools, care homes and other institutions as appropriate and when able.

4. Review of the year

Radcliffe Methodist Church has had an action-packed year, where worshipping God has been at the core of who we are and the inspiration to serve each other and the wider community.

Worship

Sunday worship is at the heart of all we do at Radcliffe Methodist Church. Twice a month, our services have focused around 'A Methodist Way of Life'; twelve spiritual practices which can draw us deeper into Christ and send us out to transform our community for good. Every Sunday there are children's activities, either within the service or the children leave for age-appropriate teaching.

We have held many special services including the chapel anniversary, the harvest festival (with gifts for the food bank), a family hot chocolate and Christingle service, carol services, and Mothering Sunday worship—where flowers were gifted to people in the high street. A particular highlight was our scratch nativity where congregants and guests came dressed as their favourite nativity character (having several Marys was not a problem!) and took part in a lively, chaotic, unrehearsed nativity play. The Easter morning Communion service was especially well attended, and we had to prepare extra bread and wine during the service.

Life is not always full of joy and so we have made space for services which acknowledge our pain and to offer it into God's hands. In November we held a reflective service for those who had been bereaved. Our Christmas Eve service made space for quietly wondering at Jesus' birth. We held an ash-ing service at the beginning of lent giving us space to reflect on the things that we have done wrong and God's amazing forgiveness. Our Tenebrae and Good Friday services made space to reflect on Christ's agony at the Crucifixion and how God is with us in our pain

We held a pilot Messy Church (craft-based family worship) in the Spring which was attended by church members and people from the community. Following a second Messy Church in the summer holiday, we agreed to hold the event once every half-term.

The church offers various prayer meetings and a Bible study group.

Pastoral Care

Radcliffe Methodist Church has a large team of trained pastoral visitors. Each member of the congregation (with their consent) is allocated a pastoral visitor who may offer encouragement and prayer support when needed. The pastoral visitors inform the minister if a member is especially struggling or would appreciate a home Communion service.

During the Spring, the pastoral visitors took part in a four-session training course 'Who Cares?' written by the Methodist Church. Particular highlights included having the space to reflect on what it means to be bereaved, and the space to learn new ways of supporting people spiritually.

Serving the community

Radcliffe Methodist Church continues to organise many regular community events. Activities provided for adults include Tuesday Lite (a social group for the elderly), a well-attended monthly soup lunch and ever popular coffee mornings and community Café. These are mostly attended by older people.

Children are served well through the provision of a weekly Little Angels toddler group. The minister leads assemblies and occasional lessons at Radcliffe Junior School. South Nottingham Academy's gardening club sent vegetables to our harvest festival. Many of the children attending our Duke of Edinburgh's Award Youth Group received bronze, silver and gold awards in a special ceremony in December. Unfortunately, due to a change in the personal circumstances of the key leader, this group has become less active as the year progressed.

Radcliffe Methodist Church loves to celebrate life and so we organised a community art project at the village carnival (where we also won second prize for our float), invited the community to our lively advent fayre, and hosted beautiful flower festival. Food always goes down well, and we have feasted our way through cream teas, harvest suppers and an amazing Garden party. We have raised money for several local and international charities, including Christian Aid where we ran a pop-up café and plant stall in the village's High Street.

More information can be found about the life of the church and its ongoing activities on the church's website:

(<http://www.radcliffemethodist.org.uk>)

5. Plans for 2025/2026

During the coming year, we intend to continue these activities, with the exception of the Duke of Edinburgh's award scheme, which is currently suspended and likely to close due to the withdrawal of support from Nottingham County Council and a change in the key leader's circumstances. We continue to discern the best way forward for this group, and the church as a whole.

Specific plans include:

- A vision day planned for October 11th lead by staff from the Methodist District to review where we are at set priorities for the coming months.
- Completing the Methodist Way of Life service series.
- To further embed a monthly prayer meeting focused on the church and local community needs.
- To increase the regularity of Messy Church to once a half-term
- To strengthen links with the junior school. This includes each year group coming to visit the church in November and the minister leading regular assemblies at the school.
- To build on the new and tentative links forming with the secondary school including visiting the school's gardening club and communicating with the Head of RE to see if we can help the school in anyway.
- A Christmas tree festival in place of the advent fayre as it has become less well attended over the last few years.
- To build on the tentative links being built with the local bookshop, who has asked for us to be involved in an (as yet unspecified) Christmas project.

Our minister will be taking on extra responsibilities within the Methodist Circuit commencing in the New Year.

6. Financial review

6.1 Income trends

Total income has decreased during the year from £98,030 in 2023-2024 to £93,959 this year. Income from standing order donations and the weekly collection have decreased by about £3,900, Income from lettings has increased from £13,470 to £16,367 due to increased demand. We don't expect the income from lettings to increase again next year, as we are approaching capacity. As expenses have increased this year our net income reduced by £13,206.

6.2 Expenditure trends

The major cost to the **General Fund (Unrestricted)** is the assessment paid to the Nottingham South Methodist Circuit. This was Increased to £53,316 for the year, as requested by the Nottingham South Methodist Circuit. A significant amount of the Circuit assessment is used to pay the District assessment, stipends and related costs to Ministers.

We have signed a new contract with EON for Gas and Electricity and expect it will cost slightly more than this year's amount.

The increase in the cost of living and a forecast rise in the employer's national insurance is likely to increase our general expenditure in the coming year.

7. Reserves policy

It is the church's policy to maintain a balance on unrestricted general funds, if possible, that equates to six months' general expenditure. This year we have reviewed our reserve amount and increased it from £40,000 to £47,000. The demographics of the donors, and the very generous donations of a small number of donors, makes the General Fund susceptible to sudden loss of income. The church also needs to be able to cover emergency situations that may arise from time to time.

As of 31st August 2025, the church had the following balances.

£61,923 in the CFB account, of which **£47,000** is kept as reserves and **£14,923** is savings.

£21,317 in the NatWest current Account.

£2,502 is with TMCP (Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes).

8. Structure, governance and management

- Radcliffe-on-Trent Methodist Church is part of the Nottingham South Methodist Circuit of the Methodist Church in Great Britain, which is part of the Methodist Nottingham and Derby District and is also accountable to the Methodist Conference.
- The governing document for the church is the Methodist Deed of Union (1932) and Methodist Church Act (1976)
- Detailed governance arrangements are outlined within the Constitutional Practice and Discipline of the Methodist Church by order of the annual Conference (CPD).
- Day to day management of the church is undertaken by the Church Leadership team along with the Minister.
- The members of the Radcliffe-on-Trent Methodist Church Council meeting are the Charity Trustees, membership being made up of church office holders, the Minister and representatives appointed by the church at the Annual General Meeting. The Minister is appointed by the Methodist Conference; the Circuit representative is appointed by the Circuit Meeting; the Church representatives are appointed by the Church Annual Meeting; the Treasurer, Secretary and Church Stewards are appointed by the Church Council; the Safeguarding Co-ordinator is appointed by the Church Council and the Lay Worker is appointed by the Circuit Meeting. The full list of Church Council members and key lay employees is shown as Appendix A to this report.

The internal organisations linked to this church are;

- Little Angels (Carer & Toddler Group)
- Radcliffe Community Cafe
- Youth Group
- Food for Thought
- Card Stall

Trustee Training:

- A range of guidance produced by Methodist Connexion to support the effective running of the church and the role of Trustees is given to the Church Trustees at various meetings and / or training sessions.
- "The Essential Trustee" produced by the Charity Commission (publication CC3) has formed part of trustee training.

Public Benefit

The trustees confirm that they have complied with the duty in Section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit, 'Charities and Public Benefit'.

9. Risk Management

The major risks have been identified and recorded by the Trustees with professional advice taken as required.

There is a regular annual review process undertaken and recorded. Income and Expenditure is being monitored in total and is compared with the approved annual budget on a half yearly basis to detect trends as part of the risk management process to avoid unforeseen calls on reserves.

10. Safeguarding

Every person has a value and dignity which comes directly from the creation of male and female in God's own image and likeness. Christians see this potential as fulfilled by God's re-creation of us in Christ. Among other things this implies a duty to value all people as bearing the image of God and therefore to protect them from harm.

The Methodist Connexional practice outlines commitment to the following principles:

- The care and nurture of, and respectful pastoral ministry with, all children, young people and adults
- The safeguarding and protection of all children, young people and adults when they are vulnerable
- The establishing of safe, caring communities which provide a loving environment where there is informed vigilance as to the dangers of abuse.
- We will carefully select and train all those with any responsibility within the Church, in line with Safer Recruitment principles, including the use of criminal records disclosures and registration with the relevant vetting and barring schemes.
- We will respond without delay to every complaint made which suggests that an adult, child or young person may have been harmed, cooperating with the police and local authority in any investigation.
- We will seek to work with anyone who has suffered abuse, developing with them an appropriate ministry of informed pastoral care.
- We will seek to challenge any abuse of power, especially by anyone in a position of trust.
- We will seek to offer pastoral care and support, including supervision and referral to the proper authorities, to any member of our church community known to have offended against a child, young person or vulnerable adult.
- In all these principles we will follow legislation guidance and recognised good practice.

Radcliffe-on-Trent Methodist Church commits itself to ensuring the implementation of Connexional Safeguarding Policy; government legislation, guidance and safe practice in the circuit and in the churches. Radcliffe on Trent Methodist Church commits itself to the provision of support, advice and training for lay and ordained people that will ensure people are clear and confident about their roles and responsibilities in safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and adults who may be vulnerable.

11. Administrative information

Full Name of Charity/Church:-Radcliffe-on-Trent Methodist Church

Registration Charity Number:-1159370

Date of registration:-26th November 2014

Main communication address:

- Radcliffe-on-Trent Methodist Church Shelford Road Radcliffe-on-Trent Nottingham NG12 2AG

Treasurer

- The Finance Team is made up of four people, Stephany Fogg, Peter Watson, Rebecca Patterson, and Sally Horn who oversee the day to day financial management and accounting for the Church. Stephany Fogg is the named contact as Treasurer.

Independent examiner

- Eva Stevens, Chief Executive, Community Accounting Plus. Units 1 and 2, North West, 41 Talbot Street, Nottingham, NG1 5GY.

Bankers

- Natwest Bank, 52 Rectory Road, West Bridgford, Nottingham, NG2 6FF
- **Investment Bankers** Central Finance Board of the Methodist Church, 9 Bonhill St, London EC2A 4PE.
Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes, Central Buildings, Oldham Street, Manchester, M1 1JQ

12. Declarations

The Trustees Annual Report was approved by the Radcliffe-on-Trent Methodist Church Council on ...7th December 2025..... and signed on its behalf by:

Signature



Name :

Rev Naomi - Rachel Sporey

Position :-Chair of the meeting

:-Signature



-Name :

Margery Sigg-S

Position :-Secretary to the meeting

13. Accounts

**CHURCH
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS
ACCOUNTS**

**THE METHODIST CHURCH
STANDARD FORM OF ACCOUNTS**

Radcliffe-on-Trent Methodist	Church
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FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31 August 2025

Circuit	Circuit no.	22
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Registered Charity - Charity Registration number

1159370

**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 exempted from registration under Statutory Instrument 2014 No.242)

Minister:

Rev. Naomi Sparey

Church Stewards:

Chris Boon	Hilary Greenhalgh
Ann Mills	Jan Sanderson
Jean Smith	Annabelle Luce

Lead Treasurer:

Stephany Fogg

ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2025

Radcliffe-on-Trent Methodist	Church
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SECTION A		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
	Note	£	£	£	£
a1	RECEIPTS				
a2	Offerings and Tax recovered	74,580	20	74,600	78,509
a3	Bank and CFB interest and Investment income	2,688	114	2,802	2,842
a4	Lettings	16,367		16,367	13,470
a5	Other receipts	190		190	3,209
a6	TOTAL RECEIPTS	93,825	134	93,959 (a7)	98,030

SECTION B		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
	Note	£	£	£	£
b1	PAYMENTS				
b2	Circuit Assessment or Share	53,316		53,316	51,276
b3	Donations	1,348		1,348	5,550
b4	Repairs and Maintenance	13,059		13,059	4,817
b5	Utilities (Insurances, water charges, heating & lighting)	9,312		9,312	7,351
b6					
b7	Other payments	14,895	194	15,089	13,995
b8	TOTAL PAYMENTS	91,930	194	92,124 (b9)	82,989

SECTION C		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
	Note	£	£	£	£
c1	NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR	1,895 (a6-b8)	(60)	1,835	15,041
c2	Total funds brought forward from last year	81,275	2,632	83,907 (c6)	68,866
c3	Sub total	83,170 (c1+c2)	2,572	85,742	83,907
c4	Transfers and adjustments				(c7)
c5	TOTAL FUNDS AT END OF YEAR	83,170 (c3+c4)	2,572	85,742 (c8)	83,907 (c6)

SECTION D		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
	Note	£	£	£	£
FOR INFORMATION ONLY: MONEY RECEIVED AND PASSED ON TO EXTERNAL ORGANISATIONS					
d	(these amounts are not to be included in total receipts/payments figures)				
d1	Balance brought forward from last year			23	
d2	Offerings/Gifts - received for external organisations			2,937	869
d3	Offerings/Gifts - passed to external organisations			2,960	846
d4	BALANCE STILL TO BE PAID				23 (d1+d2-d3)

Radcliffe-on-Trent Methodist Church

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 Youth Group	4,564	4,246	318		9,946	10,264
e2 Food for thought	1,526	2,422	(896)		3,601	2,705
e3 Traldcraft		13	(13)		13	(0)
e4 Community Café	3,518	3,052	466	(415)	425	476
e5 Little Angels	1,532	1,561	(29)		2,023	1,994
e6 Tuesday Fellowship		12	(12)		12	0
e7 Card Stall	1,656	1,186	469		695	1,165
e8 Sub total of Internal Organisations funds	12,796	12,492	304	(415)	16,715 (e11)	16,604
e9 Church accounts (totals brought forward from page 2 - totals column)	93,959 (a7)	92,124 (b9)	1,835	(c7)	83,907 (c6)	85,742
e10 TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH	106,755	104,616	2,139	(415)	100,622 (x)	102,346
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	22,276	21,317
f3 Bank Deposit Account		
f4 Central Finance Board	59,236	61,923
f5 Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes	2,395	2,502
f6 Other funds		
f7 SUB TOTAL - Church accounts	83,907 (c6)	85,742
f8 Total funds held by Internal Organisations (the closing balance total from above) (e12)	16,715 (e11)	16,604
f9 TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH	100,622 (x)	102,346

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)	1,868,503	1,903,976
g3 Other Assets	6,407	6,124
g4 Loan(s) - show amount outstanding at year end		
g5 Other Liabilities	(810)	(840)

Name of ChurchRadcliffe-on-Trent Methodist Church..... No 1159370

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  Date 7-12-25

Name and address of treasurer Stephany Fogg

19 Bailey Lane, Radcliffe-on-Trent, Nottingham Post Code NG12 2DA

Presentation to the Church trustees

I confirm that the annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2025 were presented to the meeting of the Church trustees held on 7th December 2025

Signature of the Chair of the meeting 

Name of the Chair of the meeting Rev'd Naomi Sparey Date 07/12/2025

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

Radcliffe-on-Trent Methodist Church

Charity Number 1159370

Responsibilities and basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Radcliffe-on-Trent Methodist Church for the year ended 31 August 2025 set out on pages 10 to 14. 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: Radcliffe-on-Trent Methodist Church No 1159370

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 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.

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 examinerEva Stevens.....

Relevant professional qualification of independent examinerBSc, CPFA

Name of firm (where appropriate) ...Community Accounting Plus

AddressUnits 1 & 2, Northwest

.....41 Talbot Street, Nottingham..... Post Code ...NG1 5GY...

Date

Appendix A – Church Council membership

The Church Council members during the financial year to 31st August 2024, unless otherwise stated, were:

Position	Name	Dates
Minister:	Rev'd Naomi Sparey	
Church Stewards:	Chris Boon	From 24-10-24
	Anabelle Luce	
	Jean Smith	
	Ann Mills	
	Hilary Greenhalgh	
	Jan Sanderson	
Church Representatives and other members of the Church Council:		
Church Council Secretary:	Margery Siggs	
Pastoral Secretary:	Christine Anderson	
Lead Treasurer:	Stephany Fogg	
Property Steward:	Rick Sanderson	
Property Secretary:	Peter Watson	
	Helen Hancock	
	Dave Morley	
	Stuart Jones	
	Roger Allton	
	Margaret Ann Dickie	
	Jane James	
	Elaine Upton	
	Neville Bemrose	Until 01-06-25
	Marion Petch	
	Gwyn Farmer	
	Stuart Mason	Until 11-02-24
	Sue Wakefield	Until 11-02-24
	Alan Wakefield	Until 11-02-24
	Jon Hancock	
	Lisa Jones	
	Angie Albery	From 01-06-25
	Andy Morley-Tyson	From 01-06-25
Youth Group Leader	Mark Greenhalgh	
Safeguarding Co-ordinator	Christine Morley	Until 11-02-25
Gift Aid Co-ordinator	Peter Watson	
Charity Commission Registrar	Peter Watson	
Circuit Representative	Steve Nicholson	
Children's Representative	Andy Morley-Tyson	

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The year ended 31st August 2024 was another busy one. We celebrated our Harvest Festival in September and received donations of food totalling 133kg which was given to the Meadows foodbank. In October we celebrated the 130th anniversary of the church building with a special flower festival. The church was decorated with vibrant displays created by members of the church and the community. At Christmas amongst other services and activities, we provided served hot chocolate and Christingles for all children on the Friday before Christmas before celebrating our Christingle service. The church was completely full for the Carol Service.

In March, on Mothering Sunday weekend, we offered flowers to members of the community. At Easter we took part in the Walk of Witness on Good Friday, and our Easter Cross was on display and decorated with flowers to be used at the Easter Day services. In May the Christian Aid plant stall raised money out in the village and Friday coffee mornings each week help many elderly, lonely and isolated people. The Memory Cafe continues to meet the needs of many people, especially those who live with memory loss, and their carers. It is a source of help and mutual support. The end of the year saw special summer holiday events, with 3 fun days packed with activities for people of all ages.

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One of the exciting developments during the year was the restarting of the Sunday School alongside morning services. We are grateful to those who have made this possible.

In January we confirmed that the new Minister for the church for next year would be the Reverend Naomi Sparey. Plans were made to welcome her when she starts her duties in September. In August the Reverend Mark Roberts held his final services as Minister for the church, and he now returns to his duties elsewhere in the circuit.

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5. Plans for 2024/2025

Radcliffe-on-Trent Methodist Church is looking forward to an exciting year during which we will discern our future priorities following the recent arrival of our new minister, Rev'd Naomi-Rachel Sparey. As we do so, we will continue with many of last year's programmes and events.

As with all Christian churches, our core vocation is to worship God and to enable the congregation's growth in faith. This transformation in ourselves enthuses us to care for our village, local area and for the world. We will continue to offer spiritual care to the community through events such as our popular Christingle and carol services, and pastoral services including baptisms, weddings and funerals. We offer pastoral care to church members through a system of pastoral visitors, and this year will develop our pastoral provision by holding a community memorial service for people bereaved within the last year (or longer).

Building on last year's opening of the Sunday School, we seek to develop our children's work including offering all-age worship opportunities. Our new minister is delighted to have been invited by our ecumenical partners to join the school assembly rota.

We will continue to build links with the local community through engaging in village events including the carnival and this year will hold a Christmas Fayre for the community. We intend to maintain our weekly social activities as detailed above.

6. Financial review

6.1 Income trends

Total income has increased during the year from £92,409 in 2022-2023 to £98,053 this year.

Income from standing order donations and the weekly collection have decreased by about £600, but this was offset by a legacy of £5,000.

Income from lettings has increased from £7,526 to £13,470 due to more demand following the reduction in hall capacity in the village and further recovery after the pandemic.

We expect the income from lettings to increase only slightly again next year, because there are not many free timeslots remaining.

We moved £15,000 from the current account to the savings account this year to take advantage of higher interest rates, but these look likely to fall in the coming year, thus reducing the interest we shall receive.

6.2 Expenditure trends

The major cost to the **General Fund (Unrestricted)** is the assessment paid to the Nottingham South Methodist Circuit. This was kept at £51,276 for the year, which was the same as last year. Next year our contribution is increased in line with the request from the Circuit. A significant amount of the Circuit assessment is used to pay the District assessment, stipends and related costs to Ministers.

We are on a fixed tariff with a new energy supplier until August 2025. This was negotiated 5 years ago and is consequently well below current market rates. However, when our contract ends, we expect an increase in energy costs. This is likely to be significant in 2025/26 year. The overall utility bill was slightly down this year due to a delayed bill from British Gas that came due in the year 2022-23.

The increase in the cost of living and a forecast rise in the employer's national insurance is likely to increase our general expenditure in the coming year.

7. Reserves policy

It is the church's policy to maintain a balance on unrestricted general funds, if possible, that equates to six months' general expenditure. This year we have reviewed our reserve amount and increased it from £40,000 to £43,000. The demographics of the donors, and the very generous donations of a small number of donors, makes the General Fund susceptible to sudden loss of income. The church also needs to be able to cover emergency situations that may arise from time to time.

As of 31st August 2024, the church had the following balances.

£59,236 in the CFB account, of which **£43,000** is kept as reserves and **£16,236** is savings.

£22,298 in the NatWest current Account.

£2,395 is with TMCP (Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes).

8. Structure, governance and management

- Radcliffe-on-Trent Methodist Church is part of the Nottingham South Methodist Circuit of the Methodist Church in Great Britain, which is part of the Methodist Nottingham and Derby District and is also accountable to the Methodist Conference.
- The governing document for the church is the Methodist Deed of Union (1932) and Methodist Church Act (1976)
- Detailed governance arrangements are outlined within the Constitutional Practice and Discipline of the Methodist Church by order of the annual Conference (CPD).
- Day to day management of the church is undertaken by the Church Leadership team along with the Minister.
- The members of the Radcliffe-on-Trent Methodist Church Council meeting are the Charity Trustees, membership being made up of church office holders, the Minister and representatives appointed by the church at the Annual General Meeting. The Minister is appointed by the Methodist Conference; the Circuit representative is appointed by the Circuit Meeting; the Church representatives are appointed by the Church Annual Meeting; the Treasurer, Secretary and Church Stewards are appointed by the Church Council; the Safeguarding Co-ordinator is appointed by the Church Council and the Lay Worker is appointed by the Circuit Meeting. The full list of Church Council members and key lay employees is shown as Appendix A to this report.

The internal organisations linked to this church are;

- Little Angels (Carer & Toddler Group)
- Radcliffe Community Cafe
- Youth Group
- Food for Thought
- Card Stall

Trustee Training:

- A range of guidance produced by Methodist Connexion to support the effective running of the church and the role of Trustees is given to the Church Trustees at various meetings and / or training sessions.
- "The Essential Trustee" produced by the Charity Commission (publication CC3) has formed part of trustee training.

Public Benefit

The trustees confirm that they have complied with the duty in Section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit, 'Charities and Public Benefit'.

9. Risk Management

The major risks have been identified and recorded by the Trustees with professional advice taken as required. There is a regular annual review process undertaken and recorded. Income and Expenditure is being monitored in total and is compared with the approved annual budget on a half yearly basis to detect trends as part of the risk management process to avoid unforeseen calls on reserves.

10. Safeguarding

Every person has a value and dignity which comes directly from the creation of male and female in God's own image and likeness. Christians see this potential as fulfilled by God's re-creation of us in Christ. Among other things this implies a duty to value all people as bearing the image of God and therefore to protect them from harm.

The Methodist Connexional practice outlines commitment to the following principles:

- The care and nurture of, and respectful pastoral ministry with, all children, young people and adults
- The safeguarding and protection of all children, young people and adults when they are vulnerable
- The establishing of safe, caring communities which provide a loving environment where there is informed vigilance as to the dangers of abuse.
- We will carefully select and train all those with any responsibility within the Church, in line with Safer Recruitment principles, including the use of criminal records disclosures and registration with the relevant vetting and barring schemes.
- We will respond without delay to every complaint made which suggests that an adult, child or young person may have been harmed, cooperating with the police and local authority in any investigation.
- We will seek to work with anyone who has suffered abuse, developing with them an appropriate ministry of informed pastoral care.
- We will seek to challenge any abuse of power, especially by anyone in a position of trust.
- We will seek to offer pastoral care and support, including supervision and referral to the proper authorities, to any member of our church community known to have offended against a child, young person or vulnerable adult.
- In all these principles we will follow legislation guidance and recognised good practice.

Radcliffe-on-Trent Methodist Church commits itself to ensuring the implementation of Connexional Safeguarding Policy; government legislation, guidance and safe practice in the circuit and in the churches. Radcliffe on Trent Methodist Church commits itself to the provision of support, advice and training for lay and ordained people that will ensure people are clear and confident about their roles and responsibilities in safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and adults who may be vulnerable.

11. Administrative information

Full Name of Charity/Church:-Radcliffe-on-Trent Methodist Church

Registration Charity Number:-1159370

Date of registration:-26th November 2014

Main communication address:

- Radcliffe-on-Trent Methodist Church Shelford Road Radcliffe-on-Trent Nottingham NG12 2AG

Treasurer

- The Finance Team is made up of three people, Stephany Fogg, Peter Watson and Rebecca Patterson, who oversee the day to day financial management and accounting for the Church. Stephany Fogg is the named contact as Treasurer.

Independent examiner

- John O'Brien, Chief Executive, Community Accounting Plus. Units 1 and 2, North West, 41 Talbot Street, Nottingham, NG1 5GL.


Bankers

- Natwest Bank, 52 Rectory Road, West Bridgford, Nottingham, NG2 6FF
- **Investment Bankers** Central Finance Board of the Methodist Church, 9 Bonhill St, London EC2A 4PE.
Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes, Central Buildings, Oldham Street, Manchester, M1 1JQ

12. Declarations

The Trustees Annual Report was approved by the Radcliffe-on-Trent Methodist Church Council on 24th October 2024 and signed on its behalf by:

Signature 
Name : NAOMI - RACHEL SPARROW
Position :-Chair of the meeting

:-Signature 
-Name : MARGERY SIBBELS
Position :-Secretary to the meeting

13. Accounts

**CHURCH
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS
ACCOUNTS**

**THE METHODIST CHURCH
STANDARD FORM OF ACCOUNTS**

Radcliffe-on-Trent Methodist Church	Church
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FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31 August 2024

Nottingham South	Circuit	Circuit no.	22
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Registered Charity - Charity Registration number

1159370

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

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(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. Naomi Sparey

Church Stewards:

Chris Boon	Hilary Greenhalgh
Ann Mills	Jan Sanderson
Jean Smith	

Treasurer:

Stephany Fogg, Rebecca Patterson, Peter Watson
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ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

Radcliffe-on-Trent Methodist Church	Church
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SECTION A		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
		£	£	£	£
a1	RECEIPTS	Note			
a2	Offerings and Tax recovered	78,509		78,509	75,939
a3	Bank and CFB interest and Investment income	2,718	124	2,842	1,445
a4	Lettings	13,470		13,470	7,526
a5	Other receipts	1,072	2,160	3,232	7,499
a6	TOTAL RECEIPTS	95,770	2,284	98,053 (a7)	92,409

SECTION B		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
		£	£	£	£
b1	PAYMENTS				
b2	Circuit Assessment or Share	51,276		51,276	51,276
b3	Donations	2,861	2,689	5,550	3,295
b4	Repairs and Maintenance	4,817		4,817	7,140
b5	Utilities (Insurances, water charges, heating & lighting)	7,351		7,351	8,499
b6					
b7	Other payments	13,995		13,995	18,027
b8	TOTAL PAYMENTS	80,300	2,689	82,989 (b9)	88,236

SECTION C		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year	
		£	£	£	£	
c1	NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR	(a6-b8)	15,470	(405)	15,064	4,173
c2	Total funds brought forward from last year	65,828	3,038	68,866 (c6)	64,693	
c3	Sub total	(c1+c2)	81,298	2,632	83,930	68,866
c4	Transfers and adjustments					
c5	TOTAL FUNDS AT END OF YEAR	(c3+c4)	81,298	2,632	83,930 (c8)	68,866 (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)		
d1	Balance brought forward from last year		
d2	Offerings/Gifts - received for external organisations	846	1,557
d3	Offerings/Gifts - passed to external organisations	846	1,557
d4	BALANCE STILL TO BE PAID		
	(d1+d2-d3)		

ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

Radcliffe-on-Trent Methodist Church Church

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 Community Café	3,134	3,078	56		369	425
e2 Little Angels	1,864	1,035	829		1,194	2,023
e3 Youth Group	17,530	17,699	(169)		10,115	9,946
e4 Traidcraft					13	13
e5 Food for Thought	3,473	1,887	1,587		2,014	3,601
e6 Tuesday Fellowship					12	12
e7 Card Stall	1,841	1,430	411		284	695
e8 Sub total of Internal Organisations funds	27,841	25,127	2,714		14,002 (e11)	16,715 (e12)
e9 Church accounts (totals brought forward from page 2 - totals column)	98,053 (a7)	82,989 (b9)	15,064	(c7)	68,866 (c6)	83,930 (c8)
e10 TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH	125,895	108,117	17,778		82,867 (x)	100,645 (y)
	TOTAL RECEIPTS	TOTAL PAYMENTS				

Continue on a separate sheet if necessary and bring the totals forward

SECTION F

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

CHURCH - CASH FUNDS HELD at 31 August 2024	OPENING BALANCES	CLOSING BALANCES
f1 Cash in hand		
f2 Bank Current Account	25,051	22,298
f3 Bank Deposit Account		
f4 Central Finance Board	41,518	59,236
f5 Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes	2,297	2,395
f6 Other funds		
f7 SUB TOTAL - Church accounts	68,866 (c6)	83,930 (c8)
f8 Total funds held by Internal Organisations (the closing balance total from above) (e12)	14,002 (e11)	16,715 (e12)
f9 TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH	82,867 (x)	100,645 (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)	1,819,380	1,868,503
g3 Other Assets	6,209	6,407
g4 Loan(s) - show amount outstanding at year end		
g5 Other Liabilities	-732	(810)

Name of Church ...Radcliffe on Trent Methodist Church..... No...1159370..

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... 12-2-25

Name and address of treasurer: Stephany Fogg

19 Bailey Lane, Radcliffe-on-Trent, Nottingham Post Code: NG12 2DA

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 24th October 2024

Signature of the Chair of the meeting 

Name of the Chair of the meeting Rev'd Naomi Sparey..... Date 11/02/2025..

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

Radcliffe-on-Trent Methodist Church

Charity Number 1159370

Responsibilities and basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Radcliffe-on-Trent Methodist Church for the year ended 31 August 2024 set out on pages ... to 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.

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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 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.

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.

Signature of independent examiner 

Name of independent examinerJohn O'Brien.....

Relevant professional qualification of independent examiner MSc, FAIA, FCIE

Name of firm (where appropriate)CA Plus.....

Address ...Units 1 & 2 Northwest

41 Talbot Street, Nottingham,..... Post Code ...NG1 5GL.....

Date27/02/2025.....

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Annual report for the year ended 31st August 2024

Appendix A – Church Council membership

The Church Council members during the financial year to 31st August 2024, unless otherwise stated, were:

Position	Name	Dates
Minister:	Rev Mark Roberts	
Church Stewards:	Annabelle Luce	
	Jean Smith	
	Ann Mills	
	Hilary Greenhalgh	
	Jan Sanderson	
Church Representatives and other members of the Church Council:		
Church Council Secretary:	Margery Siggs	
Pastoral Secretary:	Christine Anderson	
Lead Treasurer:	Stephany Fogg	
Property Steward:	Rick Sanderson	
Property Secretary:	Peter Watson	
	Helen Hancock	
	Dave Morley	
	Stuart Jones	
	Roger Allton	
	Margaret Ann Dickie	
	Jane James	
	Gill Shirtcliffe	
	Elaine Upton	
	Neville Bemrose	
	Marion Petch	
	Gwyn Farmer	
	Stuart Mason	
	Sue Wakefield	
	Alan Wakefield	
	Jon Hancock	From 2 nd June 2024
	Lisa Jones	From 2 nd June 2024
Youth Group Leader	Mark Greenhalgh	
Safeguarding Co-ordinator	Yvonne Ellison	
Safeguarding Co-ordinator	Christine Morley	
Gift Aid Co-ordinator	Peter Watson	
Charity Commission Registrar	Peter Watson	
Circuit Representative	Steve Nicholson	
Children's Representative	Andy Morley-Tyson	

RADCLIFFE-ON-TRENT METHODIST CHURCH

England & Wales - Charity number 1159370

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Radcliffe-on-Trent

Trustees' Annual Report to the Charity Commission, Financial Review, and Other Information for the Year ended 31st August 2023

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During the year ended 31st August 2023 we had open events for the community at harvest, celebrating with huge displays and a harvest lunch. At Christmas we provided Christingles for all children, who dressed as shepherds, wise men or angels, bringing their parents, and offered hot chocolate from a van in the car park. On Christmas Day, Christmas lunch was served to room full of people who might otherwise have been on their own.

The Coronation of King Charles was celebrated in style with a Crowns and Coronets event with afternoon tea. The Christian Aid plant stall raised money out in the car park and Friday coffee morning each week helps many elderly, lonely and isolated people. The Memory Cafe has continued to grow, meeting the needs of many people, especially those who live with memory loss, and their carers. It is a source of help and mutual support. The end of the year saw special summer holiday events, with a 3 fun days packed with activities for people of all ages, as well as a Lego café that ran on Wednesdays through out August.

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More information can be found about the life of the church and its ongoing activities on the church's website: (<http://www.radcliffemethodist.org.uk>).

5. Plans for 2023/2024

The church continues to explore ways in which it can grow in faith, grow in number and grow in engagement with our communities. In October 2023 we will celebrate the 130th anniversary of the church building with a special flower festival. Beyond that we plan to continue with our regular activities and the programme of special events.

During the year the Nottingham South Circuit will be seeking a new Minister as a permanent replacement for Reverend Nichola Jones, and members at Radcliffe will play a full part in this process.

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Signature 

Name: MARK ROBERTS

Position :-Chair of the meeting

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13. Accounts

**CHURCH
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS
ACCOUNTS**

**THE METHODIST CHURCH
STANDARD FORM OF ACCOUNTS**

Radcliffe on Trent Methodist	Church
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FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31 August 2023

Nottingham South	Circuit	Circuit no.	22/2
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Registered Charity - Charity Registration number

1159370

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)

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Ann Mills

Hilary Greenhalgh

Jan Sanderson

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Stephany Fogg, Carol Fishburn, Peter Watson

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ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

Radcliffe on Trent Methodist	Church
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SECTION A		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
		£	£	£	£
a1	RECEIPTS				
a2	Offerings and Tax recovered	75,706	233	75,939	80,639
a3	Bank and CFB interest and Investment income	1,373	72	1,445	149
a4	Lettings	7,526		7,526	2,623
a5	Other receipts	5,534	1,965	7,499	650
a6	TOTAL RECEIPTS	90,139	2,270	92,409 (a7)	84,061
SECTION B					
b1	PAYMENTS				
b2	Circuit Assessment or Share	51,276		51,276	51,024
b3	Donations	1,214	2,081	3,295	1,249
b4	Repairs and Maintenance	7,140		7,140	14,374
b5	Utilities (Insurances, water charges, heating & lighting)	8,499		8,499	6,082
b6					
b7	Other payments	17,863	164	18,027	13,793
b8	TOTAL PAYMENTS	85,992	2,245	88,237 (b9)	86,522
SECTION C					
c1	NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR	(a6-b8)		4,172	(2,461)
c2	Total funds brought forward from last year	61,681	3,012	64,693 (c6)	67,154
c3	Sub total	(c1+c2)		68,865	64,693
c4	Transfers and adjustments				(c7)
c5	TOTAL FUNDS AT END OF YEAR	(c3+c4)	65,828	3,037	68,865 (c8)
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)			£	£
d1	Balance brought forward from last year				149
d2	Offerings/Gifts - received for external organisations			1,557	6,089
d3	Offerings/Gifts - passed to external organisations			1,557	6,238
d4	BALANCE STILL TO BE PAID	(d1+d2-d3)			

Radcliffe on Trent Methodist Church

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 2023 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 Community Café	3,012	3,098	(86)		455	369
e2 Little Angels	1,527	1,238	289		905	1,194
e3 Youth Group	6,433	4,766	1,667		8,448	10,115
e4 Traidcraft		220	(220)		233	13
e5 Food for Thought	2,355	1,571	784		1,230	2,014
e6 Tuesday Fellowship					12	12
e7 Card Stall	2,404	2,119	285			285
e8 Sub total of Internal Organisations funds	15,731	13,012	2,719		11,283 (e11)	14,002 (e12)
e9 Church accounts (totals brought forward from page 2 - totals column)	92,409 (a7)	88,237 (b9)	4,172	(c7)	64,693 (c6)	68,865 (c8)
e10 TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH	108,140	101,249	6,891		75,976 (x)	82,867 (y)
	TOTAL RECEIPTS	TOTAL PAYMENTS				

Continue on a separate sheet if necessary and bring the totals forward

SECTION F**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES**

CHURCH - CASH FUNDS HELD at 31 August 2023	OPENING BALANCES	CLOSING BALANCES
f1 Cash in hand		
f2 Bank Current Account	27,802	25,051
f3 Bank Deposit Account		
f4 Central Finance Board	34,645	41,518
f5 Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes	2,246	2,296
f6 Other funds		
f7 SUB TOTAL - Church accounts	64,693 (c6)	68,865 (c8)
f8 Total funds held by Internal Organisations (the closing balance total from above) (e12)	11,283 (e11)	14,002 (e12)
f9 TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH	75,976 (x)	82,867 (y)

SECTION G**OTHER ASSETS and LIABILITIES**

	At 1 September 2022	At 31 August 2023
g1 Investments (include Endowments)		
g2 Land & Buildings (see notes re Insurance value)	1,749,084	1,819,380
g3 Other Assets	7,245	6,209
g4 Loan(s) - show amount outstanding at year end		
g5 Other Liabilities	(3,584)	-732

f4 Include only Funds held at the Central Finance Board

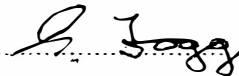
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g1 Include any other investments (not the cash element of TMCP trusts accounts this is included in line f5)

Name of Church . Radcliffe on Trent Methodist Church Registered Charity No 1159370

Declarations and Scrutiny


I confirm that these Receipt and Payment based accounts for the year to 31 August 2023 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 1-12-23

19 Bailey Lane, Radcliffe-on-Trent, Nottingham Post Code: NG12 2DA

Presentation to the Church trustees

I confirm that the annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2023 were presented to the meeting of the Church trustees held on 19th October 2023

Signature of the Chair of the meeting 

Name of the Chair of the meeting Rev. Mark Roberts..... Date 5/12/23.....

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the Radcliffe-on-Trent Methodist Church

Charity Number 1159370

Responsibilities and basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Radcliffe-on-Trent Methodist Church for the year ended 31 August 2023. 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.

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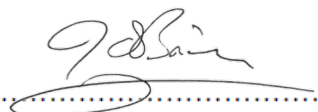
Independent Examiner's Statement

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.

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 examinerJohn O'Brien.....

Relevant professional qualification of independent examiner .. MSc, FCCA, FCIE

Name of firm (where appropriate)CA Plus.....

Address ...Units 1 & 2 Northwest

41 Talbot Street, Nottingham,..... Post Code ...NG1 5GL.....

Date04/01/2024.....

Appendix A – Church Council membership

The Church Council members during the financial year to 31st August 2023, unless otherwise stated, were:

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Church Stewards:	Annabelle Luce	
	Jean Smith	
	Ann Mills	
	Hilary Greenhalgh	
	Jan Sanderson	From 27 th September 2022
Church Representatives and other members of the Church Council:		
Church Council Secretary:	Margery Siggs	
Pastoral Secretary:	Christine Anderson	
Lead Treasurer:	Stephany Fogg	
Property Steward:	Rick Sanderson	
Property Secretary:	Peter Watson	
	Helen Hancock	
	Dave Morley	
	Stuart Jones	
	Roger Allton	
	Margaret Ann Dickie	
	Jane James	
	Gill Shirtcliffe	
	Elaine Upton	
	Neville Bemrose	
	Marion Petch	
	Gwyn Farmer	
	Stuart Mason	
	Sue Wakefield	
	Alan Wakefield	
Youth Group Leader	Mark Greenhalgh	
Safeguarding Co-ordinator	Yvonne Ellison	
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Radcliffe-on-Trent

Trustees' Annual Report to the Charity Commission, Financial Review, and Other Information for the Year ended 31st August 2022

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Annual report for the year ended 31st August 2022

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Trustees' Annual Report

1. Introduction

Welcome to the annual report of the managing trustees of Radcliffe-on-Trent Methodist Church. Methodism has been present in Radcliffe since the late 18th century when residents were inspired to form a Methodist society after a visit by John Wesley to the local area. Today we are a community of people of all ages who love to follow Jesus and enjoy worshipping and working together. We are active in our village community, sharing good news about Jesus, caring, serving and joining in. We are committed to doing this together with other Christians in Radcliffe wherever possible.

2. Aims and purposes

We are part of the Methodist Church in Great Britain and as such share the same purposes, i.e. the advancement of:

- The Christian faith in accordance with the doctrinal standards and discipline of The Methodist Church;
- Any charitable purpose for the time being of any Connexional, District, Circuit, local or other organisation of The Methodist Church;
- Any charitable purpose for the time being of any society or institution subsidiary or ancillary to The Methodist Church;
- Any purpose for the time being of any charity being a charity subsidiary or ancillary to The Methodist Church

In doing this in Radcliffe-on-Trent we seek to live out our Mission Statement which is :

As God's Methodist family in Radcliffe-on-Trent we commit as individuals and as a church :

- To follow Jesus and share the good news of God's love for all, united in the power of the Holy Spirit.
- To grow in faith and care for all.
- To give generously and share our resources wholeheartedly to meet spiritual and social needs in our village and wider community.

3. Objectives and activities

The main activities of the church are:

- The organisation and resourcing of regular public acts of worship open to members of the church and non-members alike.
- The teaching of Christianity through sermons, courses and small groups.
- The resourcing of pastoral work including visiting the sick and bereaved.
- Taking religious assemblies in local schools.
- Promotion of Christianity through the staging of events and services.
- Provision of services to local schools, care homes and other institutions as appropriate and when able.

4. Review of the year

How great it is to be back in action and fully open. We tried to celebrate the good news in public ways, so many could join in from the wider community, as well as sustaining our worship which is the heart of all we do. We had open events for the community at harvest, celebrating with huge displays; we marked Christmas by lighting up the church each night in advent with candles on all the windowsills; we provided Christingles for all children, who dressed as shepherds, wise men or angels, bringing their parents; we had special coffees and gorgeous cakes at Community Cafe plus a selfie with Jesus in the stable. Children and families loved creative crafts and Lego!

Our great weekend of the Music Marathon saw many local schools, clubs, groups and soloists come to church from Friday at 9am through the night of Friday and Saturday right to Sunday Celebration. Food, available all day, was well received and delicious. Our teenagers slept overnight as part of their Duke of Edinburgh Award, for which we also had a most moving Awards Presentation with local Councillors and honoured guests. We presented 37 different awards and congratulated the imaginative ways in which young folk had grown and developed in confidence and courage.

'Tea and Tiaras' saw over 82 people come to a sumptuous tea, served on cakestands, like tea at the Ritz, rejoicing in the Queen's many years of service and commitment with laughter and delight. The Christian Aid plant stall raised money out in the car park and Friday coffee mornings each week helps many elderly, lonely and isolated people. The Memory Cafe has been a huge success, meeting the needs of many people, who have a dementia diagnosis, and their carers. It is a source of help and mutual support.

Besides our Sunday services our regular activities include Little Angels toddlers group on a Wednesday, a Friday Coffee Morning and Prayer meeting every week that includes communion once a month, Community Café monthly on a Saturday, Soup lunch monthly on a Thursday and a House Group monthly on a Wednesday evening.

We share worship, purpose and encouragement, working under God with the 9 local Methodist Churches in this circuit and ecumenically. We thank God for joyous worship, opening up the premises for fuller community use here, as well as serving refugee camps abroad in Bethlehem, Palestine. We want to share care, love, kindness, believing in justice and reconciliation for all God's children both here in the UK and abroad.

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More information can be found about the life of the church and its ongoing activities on the church's website: (<http://www.radcliffemethodist.org.uk>).

5. Plans for 2022/2023

The heart of all we do is worship on a Sunday, and we have seen new members join our family. We remain enthusiastic, positive and hopeful in Christ who is the reason for all this! We hope to grow the church, increase our outreach into the local community and be more aware of world needs which affect us as part of our global commitment.

6. Financial review

6.1 Income trends

Total income has decreased during the year from £92,668 in 2020/2021 to £84,061. Last year we received £13,000 in donations specifically for the purchase of chairs for the renovated church building, which inflated the regular donation amount. Lettings have increased from £80 to £2,623 due to the restarting of community groups and event bookings following Covid restrictions. Standing Order donations have decreased by about £2,000 but this was offset by an increase in weekly offering by just under £2,000 due to church services being held each week following COVID restrictions. We expect the income from lettings to increase next year. The income from Standing Orders was decreasing towards the end of this year and is likely to decrease again next year.

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Signature 

Name : Rev Nicholas Jones

Position :-Chair of the meeting

:-Signature 

-Name :

Position :-Secretary to the meeting

13. Accounts

**CHURCH
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS
ACCOUNTS**

**THE METHODIST CHURCH
STANDARD FORM OF ACCOUNTS**

Radcliffe on Trent Methodist	Church
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FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31 August 2022

Nottingham South	Circuit	Circuit no.	22/2
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1159370

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ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

Radcliffe on Trent Methodist	Church
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SECTION A		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year	
		£	£	£	£	
a1	RECEIPTS					
a2	Offerings and Tax recovered	80,639		80,639	92,359	
a3	Bank and CFB interest and Investment income	145	4	149	79	
a4	Lettings	2,623		2,623	80	
a5	Other receipts	650		650	150	
a6	TOTAL RECEIPTS	84,057	4	84,061 (a7)	92,668	
SECTION B						
b1	PAYMENTS					
b2	Circuit Assessment or Share	51,024		51,024	50,772	
b3	Donations	1,249		1,249	1,014	
b4	Repairs and Maintenance	3,225	11,149	14,374	49,463	
b5	Utilities (Insurances, water charges, heating & lighting)	6,082		6,082	5,845	
b6						
b7	Other payments	13,516	277	13,793	11,025	
b8	TOTAL PAYMENTS	75,096	11,426	86,522 (b9)	118,119	
SECTION C						
c1	NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR	(a6-b8)	8,961	(11,422)	(2,461)	(25,451)
c2	Total funds brought forward from last year	52,785	14,369	67,154 (c6)	92,605	
c3	Sub total	(c1+c2)	61,746	2,947	64,693	67,154
c4	Transfers and adjustments	(65)	65			
c5	TOTAL FUNDS AT END OF YEAR	(c3+c4)	61,681	3,012	64,693 (c8)	67,154 (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)		
d1	Balance brought forward from last year	149	149
d2	Offerings/Gifts - received for external organisations	6,089	2,794
d3	Offerings/Gifts - passed to external organisations	6,238	2,794
d4	BALANCE STILL TO BE PAID		149
	(d1+d2-d3)		

Radcliffe on Trent Methodist Church

SUMMARY OF CHURCH ACCOUNTS AND INTERNAL ORGANISATIONS REPORTING TO THE CHURCH COUNCIL

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INTERNAL ORGANISATIONS	Receipts	Payments	Net Receipts/ Payments	Adjustments	Opening balances	Closing balances
e1 Community Café	1,976	1,573	402		53	455
e2 Little Angels	1,469	722	747		158	905
e3 Youth Group	3,481	8,570	(5,089)		13,538	8,448
e4 Traidcraft	404	325	79		154	233
e5 Food for Thought	1,194	976	218		1,011	1,230
e6 Tuesday Fellowship					12	12
e7						
e8 Sub total of Internal Organisations funds	8,524	12,167	(3,643)		14,926 (e11)	11,283 (e12)
e9 Church accounts (totals brought forward from page 2 - totals column)	84,061 (a7)	86,522 (b9)	(2,461)	(c7)	67,154 (c6)	64,693 (c8)
e10 TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH	92,585	98,689	(6,104)		82,080 (x)	75,976 (y)
	TOTAL RECEIPTS	TOTAL PAYMENTS				

Continue on a separate sheet if necessary and bring the totals forward

SECTION F

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

CHURCH - CASH FUNDS HELD at 31 August 2022

	OPENING BALANCES	CLOSING BALANCES
f1 Cash in hand		
f2 Bank Current Account	23,219	27,802
f3 Bank Deposit Account		
f4 Central Finance Board	41,192	34,645
f5 Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes	2,743	2,246
f6 Other funds		
f7 SUB TOTAL - Church accounts	67,154 (c6)	64,693 (c8)
f8 Total funds held by Internal Organisations (the closing balance total from above) (e12)	14,926 (e11)	11,283 (e12)
f9 TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH	82,080 (x)	75,976 (y)

SECTION G

OTHER ASSETS and LIABILITIES

	At 1 September 2021	At 31 August 2022
g1 Investments (include Endowments)		
g2 Land & Buildings (see notes re Insurance value)	1,518,626	1,749,084
g3 Other Assets	7,743	7,245
g4 Loan(s) - show amount outstanding at year end		
g5 Other Liabilities	(11,833)	(3,584)

f4 Include only Funds held at the Central Finance Board

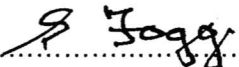
f5 Include only Funds held at Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes

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

Name of Church ...Radcliffe-on-Trent Methodist Church..... No ...22/2.....

Declarations and Scrutiny

I confirm that these Receipt and Payment based accounts for the year to 31 August 2022 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 18/11/22

Name and address of treasurer: Stephany Fogg

19 Bailey Lane, Radcliffe-on-Trent, Nottingham Post Code: NG12 2DA

Presentation to the Church trustees

I confirm that the annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2022 were/will be* presented to the meeting of the Church trustees held on 27th September 2022.....

Signature of the Chair of the meeting 

Name of the Chair of the meeting Rev. Nichola Jones..... Date 18/11/22

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the Radcliffe-on-Trent Methodist Church

Charity Number 1159370

Responsibilities and basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Radcliffe-on-Trent Methodist Church for the year ended 31 August 2022. 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 ...Radcliffe-on-Trent Methodist Church..... No ...22/2.....

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.

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 examinerJohn O'Brien.....

Relevant professional qualification of independent examiner ... MSc, FCCA, FCIE

Name of firm (where appropriate)CA Plus.....

Address ...Units 1 & 2 Northwest

41 Talbot Street, Nottingham,..... Post Code ...NG1 5GL.....

Date22/11/2022.....

Appendix A – Church Council membership

The church council members during the financial year to 31st August 2022 and up to the 27th September 2022, unless otherwise stated, were:

Position	Name	Dates
Minister:	Rev Nichola Jones	
Church Stewards:	Rachael Glover	Until 31 st July 2022
	Pippa Edwards	Until 31 st May 2022
	Annabelle Luce	
	Jean Smith	
	Ann Mills	
	Hilary Greenhalgh	From 12 th October 2021
Church Representatives and other members of the Church Council:		
Church Council Secretary:	Margery Siggs	
Pastoral Secretary:	Christine Anderson	
Lead Treasurer:	Stephany Fogg	
Property Steward:	Rick Sanderson	
Property Secretary:	Peter Watson	
	Helen Hancock	
	Dave Morley	
	Stuart Jones	
	Roger Allton	
	Margaret Ann Dickie	
	Jane James	
	Deanne Stevenson	Until 1 st May 2022
	Gill Shirtcliffe	
	Elaine Upton	
	Neville Bemrose	
	Marion Petch	
	Nan Westwood	Until 1 st May 2022
	Betty Conolly	Until 1 st May 2022
	Roger Holborow	
	Gwyn Farmer	
	Stuart Mason	From 1 st May 2022
	Sue Wakefield	From 1 st May 2022
	Alan Wakefield	From 1 st May 2022
Out reach Co-ordinator	Judy Holborow	
Youth Group Leader	Mark Greenhalgh	
Safeguarding Co-ordinator	Yvonne Ellison	
Safeguarding Co-ordinator	Christine Morley	
Gift Aid Co-ordinator	Malcolm Anderson	
Charity Commission Registrar	Malcolm Anderson	
Circuit Representative	Steve Nicholson	
Children's worker	Jan Sanderson	

RADCLIFFE-ON-TRENT METHODIST CHURCH

England & Wales - Charity number 1159370

Accounts



The **Methodist** Church

Radcliffe-on-Trent

**Trustees' Annual Report to the Charity Commission,
Financial Review, and Other Information
for the Year ended 31st August 2021**

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Trustees' Annual Report

1. Introduction

Welcome to the annual report of the managing trustees of Radcliffe-on-Trent Methodist Church. Methodism has been present in Radcliffe since the late 18th century when residents were inspired to form a Methodist society after a visit by John Wesley to the local area. Today we are a community of people of all ages who love to follow Jesus and enjoy worshipping and working together. We are active in our village community, sharing good news about Jesus, caring, serving and joining in. We are committed to doing this together with other Christians in Radcliffe wherever possible.

2. Aims and purposes

We are part of the Methodist Church in Great Britain and as such share the same purposes, i.e. the advancement of:

- The Christian faith in accordance with the doctrinal standards and discipline of The Methodist Church
- Any charitable purpose for the time being of any Connexional, District, Circuit, local or other organisation of The Methodist Church
- Any charitable purpose for the time being of any society or institution subsidiary or ancillary to The Methodist Church
- Any purpose for the time being of any charity being a charity subsidiary or ancillary to The Methodist Church

In doing this in Radcliffe-on-Trent we seek to live out our Mission Statement which is:

As God's Methodist family in Radcliffe-on-Trent we commit as individuals and as a church:

- To follow Jesus and share the good news of God's love for all, united in the power of the Holy Spirit.
- To grow in faith and care for all.
- To give generously and share our resources wholeheartedly to meet spiritual and social needs in our village and wider community.

3. Objectives and activities

The main activities of the church are:

- The organisation and resourcing of regular public acts of worship open to members of the church and non-members alike.
- The teaching of Christianity through sermons, courses and small groups.
- The resourcing of pastoral work including visiting the sick and bereaved.
- Taking religious assemblies in local schools.
- Promotion of Christianity through the staging of events and services.
- Provision of services to local schools, care homes and other institutions as appropriate and when able.

4. Review of the year

Following a reorganisation in the Methodist Circuit, Rev Nichola Jones was stationed to the circuit to replace Rev Mark Roberts from 1st September 2020. It has been an exciting year for us as Radcliffe Methodists with the constant battle with the Covid pandemic and the opening of our fabulous new premises as a community resource. We have stayed open all through Covid with a lot of care and protection following government guidelines and our own stricter Methodist Church policies.

We have used Zoom for many meetings, prayer groups, worship and fellowship and we were open every week for Private Prayer in the Quiet Space we created.

We have remained committed to local causes and the community has seen many individual and corporate responses. As a church we handed out Mothering Sunday bouquets of flowers, gave away Easter eggs and opened the premises for three events for children. These were, at Christmas with nativities and hot chocolate, at Easter with a stunning Easter Garden which filled the large hall and at Pentecost by doing craft activities on the car park.

Church members have also supported a number of activities within Radcliffe and beyond through volunteering and financial support. These include Christian Aid, Action for Children, MHA (Methodist Homes), Christians Together in Radcliffe and the community response to COVID 19. This year £1,694 has been given through the main church account to various external charities which comply with Methodist Church guidelines.

More information can be found about the life of the church and its ongoing activities on the church's website: (<http://www.radcliffemethodist.org.uk>).

5. Plans for 2021/2022

As we are now fully open, we are able to welcome back Little Angels (our carer and toddlers group), Thursday soup lunches and our usual Friday coffee mornings often with over 40 people. We are starting a monthly Memory Café which is a new venture for people living with dementia and their carers. The Community Café will also restart monthly and with renewed vigour on a Saturday morning.

The heart of all we do is worship on a Sunday, and we have seen new members join our family. We remain enthusiastic, positive and hopeful in Christ who is the reason for all this! We hope to grow the church, increase our outreach into the local community and be more aware of world needs which affect us as part of our global commitment.

6. Financial review

6.1 Income trends

During the year total income has decreased from £303,456 to £92,668. This is because last year benefitted from donations and grants of over £200,000 for the regeneration project. Lettings have reduced from £1,165 to £80 because of the closure of the premises, due to Covid restrictions. As these are being lifted, we anticipate that the income from lettings will return to the more normal level of round about £10,000 per year.

6.2 Expenditure trends

The major cost to the **General Fund (Unrestricted)** is in relation to the assessment paid to the Nottingham South Circuit. This was £50,772 for the year 2020-2021. This has not increased from the previous year. A significant amount of the Circuit assessment is used to pay the District assessment, stipends and related costs to Ministers.

Other expenditure on property from the **General Fund (Unrestricted)** of £21,966 included work related to completing the regeneration such as resurfacing the car park, paving the rear patio area and purchasing new chairs. This will not be recurring in the coming year. The **Regeneration Fund (Restricted)** has been used to pay progress payments on the building work and for purchasing the camera system. There remains a retention to pay on the building work of £11,149.

7. Reserves policy

It is the church's policy to maintain a balance on unrestricted general funds, if possible, that equates to six months' general expenditure; it is agreed that **£34,500** is an appropriate amount. The demographics of the donors and the very generous donations of a small number of donors makes the General Fund susceptible to sudden loss of income. The church also needs to be able to cover emergency situations that may arise from time to time.

As of 31st August 2021, the church had the following balances.

£41,192 in the CFB account, of which **£34,500** is kept as reserves and **£6,692** is restricted as part of the Regeneration Fund.

£23,219 in the NatWest current Account of which **£4,494** is restricted for the Regeneration Fund.

£2,743 is with TMCP (Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes)

The balance in the Regeneration Fund (Restricted fund) is retained to be used for funding the small amount of work remaining in the refurbishment of the premises.

8. Structure, governance and management

- Radcliffe-on-Trent Methodist Church is part of the Methodist Nottingham South Circuit which is part of the Methodist Nottingham and Derby District and is also accountable to the Methodist Conference.
- The governing document for the church is the Methodist Deed of Union (1932) and Methodist Church Act (1976)
- Detailed governance arrangements are outlined within the Constitutional Practice and Discipline of the Methodist Church by order of the annual conference (CPD).
- Day to day management of the church is undertaken by the Church Leadership team along with the Minister.
- The members of the Radcliffe-on-Trent Methodist Church Council meeting are the Charity Trustees, membership being made up of church office holders, the Minister and representatives appointed by the church at the Annual General Meeting. The Minister is appointed by the Methodist Conference; the Circuit representative is appointed by the Circuit Meeting; the Church representatives are appointed by the Church Annual Meeting; the Treasurer, Secretary and Church Stewards are appointed by the Church Council; the Safeguarding Co-ordinator is appointed by the Church Council and the Lay Worker is appointed by the Circuit Meeting. The full list of Church Council members is shown as Appendix A to this report.

The internal organisations linked to this church are:

- Radcliffe Ladies Tuesday Group
- Little Angels (Carer & Toddler Group)
- The Discovery Award
- Tuesday Afternoon Fellowship
- Friday Coffee Group
- Radcliffe Methodist Traidcraft
- Radcliffe Community Café
- Youth Group
- Food for Thought
- Art Group

Trustee Training:

- A range of guidance produced by Methodist Connexion to support the effective running of the church and the role of Trustees is given to the Church Trustees at various meetings and / or training sessions.
- "The Essential Trustee" produced by the Charity Commission (publication CC3) has formed part of trustee training.

Public Benefit

The Trustees confirm that they have complied with the duty in section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit, 'Charities and Public Benefit'.

9. Risk Management

The major risks have been identified and recorded by the Trustees with professional advice taken as required. There is a regular annual review process undertaken and recorded. Income and Expenditure is being monitored in total and is compared with the approved annual budget on a half yearly basis to detect trends as part of the risk management process to avoid unforeseen calls on reserves.

10. Safeguarding

Every person has a value and dignity which comes directly from the creation of male and female in God's own image and likeness. Christians see this potential as fulfilled by God's re-creation of us in Christ. Among other things this implies a duty to value all people as bearing the image of God and therefore to protect them from harm.

The Methodist Connexional practice outlines commitment to the following principles:

- The care and nurture of, and respectful pastoral ministry with, all children, young people and adults
- The safeguarding and protection of all children, young people and adults when they are vulnerable
- The establishing of safe, caring communities which provide a loving environment where there is informed vigilance as to the dangers of abuse.
- We will carefully select and train all those with any responsibility within the Church, in line with Safer Recruitment principles, including the use of criminal records disclosures and registration with the relevant vetting and barring schemes.
- We will respond without delay to every complaint made which suggests that an adult, child or young person may have been harmed, cooperating with the police and local authority in any investigation.
- We will seek to work with anyone who has suffered abuse, developing with them an appropriate ministry of informed pastoral care.
- We will seek to challenge any abuse of power, especially by anyone in a position of trust.
- We will seek to offer pastoral care and support, including supervision and referral to the proper authorities, to any member of our church community known to have offended against a child, young person or vulnerable adult.
- In all these principles we will follow legislation guidance and recognised good practice.

Radcliffe-on-Trent Methodist Church commits itself to ensuring the implementation of Connexional Safeguarding Policy, government legislation, guidance and safe practice in the circuit and in the churches. Radcliffe on Trent Methodist Church commits itself to the provision of support, advice and training for lay and ordained people that will ensure people are clear and confident about their roles and responsibilities in safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and adults who may be vulnerable.

11. Administrative information

Full Name of Charity/Church: Radcliffe-on-Trent Methodist Church

Registration Charity Number: 1159370

Date of registration: 26th November 2014

Main communication address:

- Radcliffe-on-Trent Methodist Church, Shelford Road, Radcliffe-on-Trent, Nottingham, NG12 2AG

Treasurer

- The Finance Team is made up of three people, Stephany Fogg, Peter Watson and Carol Fishburn who oversee the day-to-day financial management and accounting for the Church. Stephany Fogg is the named contact as Treasurer.

Independent examiner

- John O'Brien, Chief Executive, Community Accounting Plus. Units 1 and 2 North West, 41 Talbot Street, Nottingham, NG1 5GL.

Bankers

- NatWest Bank, 52 Rectory Road, West Bridgford, Nottingham, NG2 6FF
- **Investment Bankers**
Central Finance Board of the Methodist Church, 9 Bonhill St, London EC2A 4PE.
Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes, Central Buildings, Oldham Street, Manchester, M1 1JQ

12. Declarations

The Trustees Annual Report was approved by the Radcliffe-on-Trent Methodist Church Council on 12th October 2021 and signed on its behalf by:

Signature:

Signature:

Name:

REV. NICHOLA JONES

Name:

Margery Siggs

Position: Chair of the meeting

Position :-Secretary to the meeting

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SECTION A		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
		£	£	£	£
a1	RECEIPTS	Note			
a2	Offerings and Tax recovered	92,359		92,359	65,737
a3	Bank and CFB interest and Investment income		79	79	2,171
a4	Lettings	80		80	1,165
a5	Other receipts	150		150	234,383
a6	TOTAL RECEIPTS	92,589	79	92,668	303,456

SECTION B		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
		£	£	£	£
b1	PAYMENTS				
b2	Circuit Assessment or Share	50,772		50,772	50,772
b3	Donations	1,014		1,014	984
b4	Repairs and Maintenance	21,966	27,497	49,463	466,338
b5	Utilities (Insurances, water charges, heating & lighting)	5,845		5,845	2,931
b6					
b7	Other payments	11,025		11,025	9,811
b8	TOTAL PAYMENTS	90,622	27,497	118,119	530,836

SECTION C		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
		£	£	£	£
c1	NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR	(a6-b8)	(27,418)	(25,451)	(227,380)
c2	Total funds brought forward from last year	50,818	41,787	92,605	319,985
c3	Sub total	(c1+c2)	14,369	67,154	92,605
c4	Transfers and adjustments				
c5	TOTAL FUNDS AT END OF YEAR	(c3+c4)	14,369	67,154	92,605

SECTION D		£	£
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d2	Offerings/Gifts - received for external organisations	2,794	
d3	Offerings/Gifts - passed to external organisations	2,794	
d4	BALANCE STILL TO BE PAID	(d1+d2-d3)	149

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INTERNAL ORGANISATIONS	Receipts	Payments	Net Receipts/ Payments	Adjustments	Opening balances	Closing balances
Community Café		50	(50)		103	53
Little Angels	117	176	(59)		217	158
Tuesday fellowship	10		10		2	12
Ladies Tuesday Group		1	(1)		1	
Youth Group	9,225	2,451	6,774		6,764	13,538
Traidcraft	1,379	1,287	92		62	154
Friday Coffee Morning		19	(19)		19	
Food for Thought	100	1,000	(900)		1,911	1,011
Sub total of Internal Organisations funds	10,831	4,984	5,847		9,079 (e11)	14,926 (e12)
Church accounts (totals brought forward from page 2 - totals column)	92,668 (a7)	118,119 (b9)	(25,451)	(c7)	92,605 (c6)	67,154 (c8)
TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH	103,499	123,103	(19,604)		101,684 (x)	82,080 (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 2021	OPENING BALANCES	CLOSING BALANCES
Cash in hand		
Bank Current Account	24,187	23,219
Bank Deposit Account		
Central Finance Board	65,677	41,192
Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes	2,741	2,743
Other funds		
SUB TOTAL - Church accounts	92,605 (c6)	67,154 (c8)
Total funds held by Internal Organisations (the closing balance total from above) (e12)	9,079 (e11)	14,926 (e12)
TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH	101,684 (x)	82,080 (y)

SECTION G

OTHER ASSETS and LIABILITIES

	At 1 September 2020	At 31 August 2021
Investments (include Endowments)		
Land & Buildings (see notes re Insurance value)	1,518,626	1,518,626
Other Assets	7,189	7,743
Loan(s) - show amount outstanding at year end		
Other Liabilities	(11,223)	(11,833)

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 Radcliffe-on-Trent Methodist Church

Declarations and Scrutiny

I confirm that these Receipt and Payment 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 *S. Fogg* Date..... *18-12-21*

Name and address of treasurer Stephany Fogg 19, Bailey Lane

Radcliffe-on-Trent Nottingham NG12 2DA

Presentation to the Church trustees

I confirm that the annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2021 were/will be* presented to the meeting of the Church trustees held on *12th October 2021*

Signature of the Chair of the meeting *Rev. Nichola Jones*

Name of the Chair of the meeting *REV. NICHOLA JONES* Date *18/12/21*

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

..... *RADCLIFFE ON TRENT METHODIST* Church

Charity Number *1159370*

Responsibilities and basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the *Radcliffe-on-Trent Methodist* Church for the year ended 31 August 2021 set out on pages 8 to 10. 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 . Radcliffe-on-Trent Methodist Church

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:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act; or
- 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 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 31st August 2021.

Signature of independent examiner 

Name of independent examiner John O'Brien.....

Relevant professional qualification of independent examiner MSc, FCCA, FCIE

Name of firm (where appropriate) CAPlus.....

Address ... Units 1 & 2, North West,.....

...41, Talbot Street, Nottingham..... Post Code ...NG1 5GL...

Date 20/12/2021

Appendix A – Church Council Membership

The church council members during the financial year to 31st August 2021 and up to the date of signing this report, unless otherwise stated, were:

Position	Name	Dates
Minister:	Rev Nichola Jones	
Church Stewards:	Rachael Glover	
	Wendy Layhe	
	Pippa Edwards	
	Annabelle Luce	
	Jean Smith	From 22 nd February 2021
	Ann Mills	From 17 th May 2021
Church Representatives and other members of the Church Council:		
Church Council Secretary:	Margery Siggs	
Pastoral Secretary:	Christine Anderson	
Treasurer:	Rosie Luce	Until 17 th November 2020
Lead Treasurer:	Stephany Fogg	From 17 th November 2020
Property Steward:	Rick Sanderson	
Property Secretary:	Peter Watson	From 17 th November 2020
	Jon Hancock	Until 20 th June 2021
	Rae Allton	Until 20 th June 2021
	Jan Sanderson	Until 20 th June 2021
	Andy Morley-Tyson	Until 20 th June 2021
	Helen Roberts	Until 20 th June 2021
	Helen Hancock	
	Dave Morley	
	Stuart Jones	
	Roger Allton	
	Margaret Ann Dickie	From 20 th June 2021
	Jane James	From 20 th June 2021
	Deanne Stevenson	From 20 th June 2021
	Gill Shirtcliffe	From 20 th June 2021
	Elaine Upton	From 20 th June 2021
	Neville Bemrose	From 20 th June 2021
	Marion Petch	From 20 th June 2021
	Nan Westwood	From 20 th June 2021
	Betty Conolly	From 20 th June 2021
	Roger Holborow	From 20 th June 2021
	Gwyn Farmer	From 20 th June 2021
Out reach Co-ordinator	Judy Holborow	From 20 th June 2021
Youth Group Leader	Mark Greenhalgh	
Safeguarding Co-ordinator	Yvonne Ellison	
Safeguarding Co-ordinator	Christine Morley	
Gift Aid Co-ordinator	Malcolm Anderson	
Circuit Representative	Steve Nicholson	