

The Methodist Church in Ellesmere Port

England & Wales · Charity number 1162542

Details

Other names TRINITY METHODIST CHURCH, ELLESMERE PORT

Status Registered

Legal form Previously excepted

Registered 2015-07-06

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: The Methodist Church in Ellesmere Port comprises Hope Farm, Little Sutton and Trinity Methodist Churches in Ellesmere Port. Each site seeks to serve their unique neighbourhoods and offer Methodist worship and activities in contextually appropriate ways, including at Trinity through its Daily Bread Cafe, and other various activities.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** Religious Activities
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Cheshire West & Chester

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-08-31	£198,410	£103,329	-	-
2023-08-31	£92,417	£88,212	-	-
2022-08-31	£127,094	£98,774	-	-
2021-08-31	£49,835	£63,684	-	-
2020-08-31	£83,202	£118,892	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Rev Ruth Dowson	Chair	2023-09-01
Adrian Stephen Pallant		2024-09-01
Alan White		2024-09-01
Angela Shone		2024-09-01
Ann Jennifer Schafer		2024-09-01
CHRISTOPHER JOHN MARCHANT		2023-09-01
EILEEN MARY GERMON		2015-09-01
Elaine Rosemary Corry		2024-09-01
Elizabeth Anne Williamson		2024-09-01
Frederick Charles Farrow		2024-09-01
Friedrich Schafer		2024-09-01
GEORGE DAVID THOROGOOD		2015-09-01
Hazel Elizabeth White		2024-09-01
Heather Stanley		2024-09-01
Joanne Elizabeth Marchant		2023-09-01
Julia Pyke		2024-09-01
Julie Luscombe		2024-09-01
Kathleen Clarke		2024-09-01
Lynne Cheryl Farrow		2024-09-01
Malcolm Collens		2024-09-01
Margaret Elizabeth Burrows		2020-05-01
Peter Allison Wildman		2024-09-01
STEPHEN HOWARD COOPER		2025-07-01
Sarah Wardle		2024-09-01

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SECTION A		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
		£	£	£	£
a1	RECEIPTS	Note			
a2	Offerings and Tax recovered	£14,462.61		£14,462.61	£14,160.86
a3	Bank and CFB interest and Investment income	£3,952.56		£3,952.56	£1,267.02
a4	Lettings	£51,554.22		£51,554.22	£38,510.00
a5	Other receipts	£12,500.51	£115,940.00	£128,440.51	£38,478.80
a6	TOTAL RECEIPTS	£82,469.90	£115,940.00	£198,409.90 (a7)	£92,416.68

SECTION B		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
		£	£	£	£
b1	PAYMENTS				
b2	Circuit Assessment or Share	£20,495.00		£20,495.00	£20,165.00
b3	Donations	£167.35		£167.35	£271.00
b4	Repairs and Maintenance	£7,301.41	£1,563.30	£8,864.71	£6,721.00
b5	Utilities (Insurances, water charges, heating & lighting)	£14,964.81	£8,688.38	£23,653.19	£19,706.00
b6	Employment costs	£6,523.88	£23,600.00	£30,123.88	£26,086.96
b7	Other payments	£8,073.74	£11,950.86	£20,024.60	£15,262.00
b8	TOTAL PAYMENTS	£57,526.19	£45,802.54	£103,328.73 (b9)	£88,211.96

SECTION C		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year	
		£	£	£	£	
c1	NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR	(a6-b8)	£24,943.71	£70,137.46	£95,081.17	£4,204.72
c2	Total funds brought forward from last year	£22,272.72	£41,317.00	£63,589.72 (c6)	£59,385.00	
c3	Sub total	(c1+c2)	£47,216.43	£111,454.46	£158,670.89	£63,589.72
c4	Transfers and adjustments				(c7)	
c5	TOTAL FUNDS AT END OF YEAR	(c3+c4)	£47,216.43	£111,454.46	£158,670.89 (c8)	£63,589.72 (c6)

SECTION D		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
		£	£	£	£
FOR INFORMATION ONLY: MONEY RECEIVED AND PASSED ON TO EXTERNAL ORGANISATIONS					
Note: Third Party Receipts and Payments below have been included above to ensure balance on P3					
d				£	£
d1	Balance brought forward from last year			£413.00	£413.00
d2	Offerings/Gifts - received for external organisations				
d3	Offerings/Gifts - passed to external organisations				£413.00
d4	BALANCE STILL TO BE PAID	(d1+d2-d3)		£413.00	

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**THE METHODIST CHURCH
STANDARD FORM OF ACCOUNTS**

TRINITY ELLESMERE PORT	Church
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FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31 August 2023

WIRRAL	Circuit	Circuit no	18/9
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Registered Charity - Charity Registration number

1162542

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

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Minister:

Rev Ruth Dowson (incoming on 1/9/23)

Church Stewards:

Maureen Stanley
George Thorogood
Eileen Germon
Margaret Burrows

Treasurer:

Jo and Chris Marchant

**TRINITY
ELLESMERE PORT Church**

SECTION A		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
		£	£	£	£
a1	RECEIPTS				
a2	Offerings and Tax recovered	14,161		14,161	13,498
a3	Bank and CFB interest and Investment income	1,267		1,267	104
a4	Lettings	38,510		38,510	42,911
a5	Other receipts	12,773	25,706	38,479	70,289
a6	TOTAL RECEIPTS	66,711	25,706	92,417 (a7)	126,802

SECTION B		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
		£	£	£	£
b1	PAYMENTS				
b2	Circuit Assessment or Share	20,165		20,165	19,667
b3	Donations	271		271	
b4	Repairs and Maintenance	6,721		6,721	25,391
b5	Utilities (Insurances, water charges, heating & lighting)	19,706		19,706	17,412
b6	Employment costs	21,087	5,000	26,087	26,912
b7	Other payments	14,894	368	15,262	9,671
b8	TOTAL PAYMENTS	82,844	5,368	88,212 (b9)	99,053

SECTION C		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
		£	£	£	£
c1	NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR	(16,133) (a6-b8)	20,338	4,205	27,749
c2	Total funds brought forward from last year	40,233	20,979	61,213 (c6)	32,539
c3	Sub total	24,101 (c1+c2)	41,317	65,418	60,288
c4	Transfers and adjustments				
c5	TOTAL FUNDS AT END OF YEAR	24,101 (c3+c4)	41,317	65,418 (c8)	60,288 (c6)

SECTION D		£	£
FOR INFORMATION ONLY: MONEY RECEIVED AND PASSED ON TO EXTERNAL ORGANISATIONS			
Note: Third Party Receipts and Payments below have been included above to ensure balance on P3			
d1	Balance brought forward from last year	413	418
d2	Offerings/Gifts - received for external organisations		284
d3	Offerings/Gifts - passed to external organisations		289
d4	BALANCE STILL TO BE PAID	413 (d1+d2-d3)	413

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 2018 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						
e2						
e3						
e4						
e5						
e6						
e7						
e8 Sub total of Internal Organisations funds					(e11)	(e12)
e9 Church accounts (totals brought forward from page 2 - totals column)	92,417 (a7)	88,212 (b9)	4,205	(c7)	61,213 (c6)	65,418 (c8)
e10 TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH	92,417	88,212	4,205		61,213 (x)	65,418 (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	514	763
f2 Bank Current Account	39,325	25,351
f3 Bank Deposit Account		
f4 Central Finance Board	20,996	37,086
f5 Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes	378	389
f6 Other funds		1,828
f7 SUB TOTAL - Church accounts	61,213 (c6)	65,417 (c8)
f8 Total funds held by Internal Organisations (the closing balance total from above) (e12)	(e11)	(e12)
f9 TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH	61,213 (x)	65,417 (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)		
g3 Other Assets		
g4 Loan(s) - show amount outstanding at year end		
g5 Other Liabilities		

f4 Include only Funds held at the Central Finance Board
 f5 Include only Funds held at Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes
 g1 Include any other investments (not the cash element of TMCP trusts accounts this is included in line f5)

DECLARATIONS

Treasurer

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

Signature of Treasurer Date

Name

Address

Presentation to the *Church Council for approval.

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

Signature of the Chair of the meeting

Name of the Chair of the meeting

Date

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

Church

This Report is on the Church Accounts for the year ended 31st August

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts under Section 145 of the Charities Act
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under Section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act), and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's Report

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

Independent Examiner's Statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention (other than that disclosed below*):

- (1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act;
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act have not been met; or
- (2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply appropriate*

- (3) I have/have not* obtained independent verification of all investments with the Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes ("TMCP") or held in other Trusts, Bank balances and Funds at the Central Finance Board of the Methodist Church ("CFB"), which are individually in excess of £10,000 (ten thousand pounds) at the balance sheet date.

** Please circle as appropriate*

Name	<input type="text" value="Craig Price"/>
Signature	<input type="text" value="Craig Price"/>
Relevant Professional qualification or body	<input type="text" value="N/A"/>
Address	<input type="text" value="7 Mere Close, Great Sutton, CH662WH"/>
Date	<input type="text" value="19/03/24"/>

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THE METHODIST CHURCH
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TRINITY ELLESMERE PORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31 August 2022

WIRRAL	Circuit	Circuit no	11
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Registered Charity - Charity Registration number

116

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

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Minister:

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Church Stewards:

Treasurer:

Mr Peter Colyer

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SECTION A			Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
			£	£	£	£
a1	RECEIPTS	Note				
a2	Offerings and Tax recovered		13,498		13,498	13,833
a3	Bank and CFB interest and Investment income		104		104	21
a4	Lettings		42,911		42,911	21,920
a5	Other receipts		26,441	43,848	70,289	26,300
a6	TOTAL RECEIPTS		82,954	43,848	126,802 (a7)	62,074

SECTION B						
b1	PAYMENTS					
b2	Circuit Assessment or Share		19,667		19,667	18,117
b3	Donations				0	0
b4	Repairs and Maintenance		25,391		25,391	7,822
b5	Utilities (Insurances, water charges, heating & lighting)		17,412		17,412	22,838
b6	Employment costs		4,809	22,103	26,912	23,961
b7	Other payments		8,487	1,184	9,671	3,103
b8	TOTAL PAYMENTS		75,766	23,287	99,053 (b9)	75,841

SECTION C						
c1	NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR	(a6-b8)	7,188	20,561	27,749	(13,767)
c2	Total funds brought forward from last year		45,969	337	32,539 (c6)	46,306
c3	Sub total	(c1+c2)	53,157	20,898	60,288	32,539
c4	Transfers and adjustments				0 (c7)	
c5	TOTAL FUNDS AT END OF YEAR	(c3+c4)	53,157	20,898	60,288 (c8)	32,539 (c6)

SECTION D				
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d	Note: Third Party Receipts and Payments below have been included above to ensure balance on P3		£	£
d1	Balance brought forward from last year		418	337
d2	Offerings/Gifts - received for external organisations		284	238
d3	Offerings/Gifts - passed to external organisations		289	157
d4	BALANCE STILL TO BE PAID	(d1+d2-d3)	413	418

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e1			0			0
e2			0			0
e3			0			0
e4			0			0
e5			0			0
e6			0			0
e7			0			0
e8	Sub total of Internal Organisations funds	0	0	0	0 (e11)	0 (e12)
e9	Church accounts (totals brought forward from page 2 - totals column)	126,802 (a7)	99,053 (b9)	27,749	32,539 (c6)	60,288 (c8)
e10	TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH	126,802	99,053	27,749	32,539 (x)	60,288 (y)
	TOTAL RECEIPTS		TOTAL PAYMENTS			

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SECTION F**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES****CHURCH - CASH FUNDS HELD at 31 August 2022**

	OPENING BALANCES	CLOSING BALANCES	
f1	Cash in hand	613	2,082
f2	Bank Current Account	39,195	21,256
f3	Bank Deposit Account		
f4	Central Finance Board	20,996	9,060
f5	Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes		
f6	Other funds	50	141
f7	SUB TOTAL - Church accounts	32,539 (c6)	60,288 (c8)
f8	Total funds held by Internal Organisations (the closing balance total from above) (e12)	0 (e11)	0 (e12)
f9	TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH	32,539 (x)	60,288 (y)

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g4	Loan(s) - show amount outstanding at year end	
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** Please circle as appropriate*

Name

Signature

Relevant Professional qualification or body

Address

Date

Charity Commission. An
comparison of the accounts
disclosures in the accounts,
disclosures undertaken do not
opinion is given as to whether
disclosures set out in the statement

(that disclosed below*):

to meet the requirements:

Charities Act;

to comply with the accounting

to gain a proper understanding of the

to the Trustees for Methodist
the Central Finance Board of
(in thousand pounds) at the

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Trinity Methodist Church, Ellesmere Port

Trustees of Trinity Methodist Church, Ellesmere Port present their Annual Report for year ended 31st August 2021

Charity Commission: Registered Number 1162542

Official address: Whitby Road, Ellesmere Port, Cheshire, CH65 0AE

The governing documents of the Methodist Church are the Deed of Union (1932) and Methodist Church Act (1976).

Methodist Church Act 1976 states

The purposes of the Methodist Church are and shall be Purposes 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 being a 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.

The Mission Statement of Trinity Methodist Church – based on “Our Calling” from the Methodist Church

“Trinity Methodist Church is a faith community that is seeking through its activities to share something of the love of God in Ellesmere Port and so respond to the call of Christ, to love God, and to love our neighbours.”

Objectives

Underpinning all we seek to be and do are relationships with key partners to ensure we respond to the mission statement.

We seek always to live out God’s purpose and mission to our community through worship, witness, and service.

We will be an inclusive place of welcome to all at all times. We will not just be “church” on a Sunday.

We will seek to be as Christ to the very young through the generations to the more mature.

We will be a place of learning, prayer and discernment and promote a life-long journey of development in faith.

We will value the past, rejoice in the present and embrace the new.

We will care for the community and the environment and be good stewards of the earth's resources.

We will be flexible in our actions and thinking and grasp opportunities to serve and witness.

We will work whenever possible with others of great faith or none. We will celebrate partnerships in the gospel with all who seek peace.

We will be holy risk takers.

We believe that, if done in God's Spirit, all things are possible.

Core Principles

- Inclusivity - offering an equal welcome to all regardless of gender, ethnicity, age, ability, or sexuality. We will be part of the inclusive church network.
- Volunteering – creating vibrant opportunities to develop skills.
- Nurturing –promoting positive, hope and grace filled relationships.
- Discipling – looking for opportunities of God-filled conversations and spiritual growth through prayer
- Serving – living the Jesus way embodying Christian hospitality
- Transforming – developing community based activities which reveals the heart of Jesus of love and respect
- Peace making – working with partners who promote peace.
- Welcoming – becoming a place of welcome and creating safe spaces

Achievements

Working in partnership with the Project Management team and key partners.

Worship

- Establish and embedding weekly Church Mice
- Establish and embedding Lego Church
- Establish a weekly morning prayer service
- Joint act of worship monthly with Hope Farm and Little Sutton
- Develop our online presence with worship with weekly acts of worship
- Create a monthly service “café conversations”

Learning and Caring

- Establish a network of welcomers/listeners – six trained and able to signpost individuals
- Work in partnership with Hope farm and Little Sutton is establishing home groups and bible study groups
- Join inclusive church network and place of welcome network
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Service

- Serving the local foodbank and women's refuge and offer a food pantry
- Create new volunteering opportunities partnering with local agencies
- Café re-established with successful implementation

- Ensure partnerships are maintained with organisations which share our kingdom values in “feeding our sheep”
- Hold a holiday club

Evangelism

- Establish food and friends evening
- Build and develop meaningful relationships with building users and look for opportunities to share the Jesus story
- Run a series of social events – quiz nights

Governance – we will continue to move forward on a shared governance model with Little Sutton and Hope Farm Methodist Church.

Communication – we will set up joint communication protocols such as newsletters, magazine and welcome packs.

Collaboration – we will look for opportunities of working together, sharing resources and supporting Little Sutton and Hope Farm churches to create The Methodist Church in Ellesmere Port – on three sites.

We will continue to worship together in our joint services, Looking Deeper, New Song Café and Sung Communion.

The Administration of Trinity Methodist Church

The Church is held on the 1976 Model Trust by the Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes, and the Church Council act as Managing Trustees.

Managing Trustees at 31st August 2021

Chair	Rev Jacqueline Bellfield	
Secretary	Jean Armstrong	
Treasurer	Peter Colyer	
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Minister's Report

The last 2 years will be remembered and acknowledged for years to come and our current time with conflict in the Ukraine, rising household prices, COVID strains changing and increased cases means we are in a period of great unrest.

This probably isn't the best way to commence a report on the life of the church yet the truth remains into this worldly uncertainty Christ stands. We stand with Christ as people of faith in the fragility of the world.

Trinity Methodist Church has done this in a number of ways – through our pastoral care of others and I am very grateful to the pastoral visitors for their ministry. We show this through visits, telephone calls and gifts and sharing our openness to embrace God through the Holy Spirit.

This year has brought profound personal changes for my ministry. Working half time in circuit has been practically difficult and I have missed many things that my diary simply cannot accommodate. I am very grateful to the leadership team and stewards for enabling my ministry to diversify in this way. My new role has taken me to many places of engaging in conversation with churches and circuits on how can we relate to the changing world around us through the COVID lens? How have we changed? How has the landscape of our churches changed? How will we embrace new ways of being and doing?

There are no simple answers, though the answer sits in how we observe how God is working in the world and on how we can respond to the calling of God to join in His work.

Pete Wildman will be leading us forward in our mission planning. We will work more closely with our sister Methodist Churches in EP and that will bring fruitfulness and hope.

This is my, for now, last report as your minister. Rev'd Heather Cooper will bring loving gifts and graces to Trinity and I know you will be as kind to her as you are to me. I will be leading Sung Communion and New Song Café and will look forward to conversing with you about mission with my District hat on.

Friends let us run the race with grace, hope and with our eyes firmly fixed on Jesus.

With love

People

We have seen some of our members join the heavenly realms and we will all certainly miss them. We are also aware that other congregation members have been bereaved during the last year and are struggling with their bereavement. It is painful and I reminded that in the midst of resurrection knowledge and hope Jesus wept for his friend. We weep and we rejoice.

Again, my thanks to all pastoral visitors and letter deliverers for your help and support.

We miss our colleague Nigel who entered into eternal rest and continue to pray for Sue and the family.

Presence

Alongside our online presence the banner “feed our sheep”, hamper deliveries and food deliveries has enabled our mission to be developed and maintained.

Finally

As we go into the future growing God’s Kingdom has to remain our focus as we reach out to people where they and their interests are. We have to move forward with all we have learned from this last year and we must seek a new vision. These things must involve our prayer, dedication, and commitment both in time and resources. I ask your continued support in our shared and evolving ministry to the people of Little Sutton and beyond. Our focus is on preparing our mission plan in partnership with Little Sutton and Hope Farm. Our strength in Christ is through our togetherness.

a) Property steward’s report – property aspects of our premises are being routinely maintained to a level that meets all related statutory and discretionary requirements – the premises continue to be fit-for-purpose and during the lockdown improved in relation to our obligation set out in the quinquennial report. There are parts of the building where the condition of the paintwork and plaster are extremely poor and advice has been sought in relation to this.

b) Safeguarding – DBS and online safeguarding have been undertaken for key officers in the church. The Church project operates via a paid volunteer co-ordinator and ensures safer recruitment for volunteers including the obtaining of references.

c) Ladies Fellowship – Sadly for the most part the fellowship had not met yet will resume in September in a newly renovated room.

d) Finance – During the course of the year members have been faithful in maintaining offering. Due to the lockdown the churches income has reduced primarily due to the reduction in external lets. Please see the attached files.

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STANDARD FORM OF ACCOUNTS

TRINITY ELLESMERE PORT	Church
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SECTION B		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
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b7	Other payments	11,961	12,000	23,961	38,622
b8	TOTAL PAYMENTS	2,946	157	3,103	8,574
		63,684	12,157	75,841 (b9)	118,892

SECTION C		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
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c2	Total funds brought forward from last year				
		45,969	337	46,306 (c6)	81,996
c3	Sub total	(c1+c2)			
		32,120	418	32,539	46,306
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c5	TOTAL FUNDS AT END OF YEAR	(c3+c4)			
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	TOTAL RECEIPTS	TOTAL PAYMENTS				

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The Methodist Church in Ellesmere Port

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Accounts

Trinity Methodist Church, Ellesmere Port

Trustees of Trinity Methodist Church, Ellesmere Port present their Annual Report for year ended 31st August 2020

Charity Commission: Registered Number 1162542

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Methodist Church Act 1976 states

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The Mission Statement of Trinity Methodist Church – based on “Our Calling” from the Methodist Church

“Trinity Methodist Church is a faith community that is seeking through its activities to share something of the love of God in Ellesmere Port and so respond to the call of Christ, to love God, and to love our neighbours.”

Objectives

Underpinning all we seek to be and do are relationships with key partners to ensure we respond to the mission statement.

We seek always to live out God’s purpose and mission to our community through worship, witness, and service.

We will be an inclusive place of welcome to all at all times. We will not just be “church” on a Sunday.

We will seek to be as Christ to the very young through the generations to the more mature.

We will be a place of learning, prayer and discernment and promote a life-long journey of development in faith.

We will value the past, rejoice in the present and embrace the new.

We will care for the community and the environment and be good stewards of the earth's resources.

We will be flexible in our actions and thinking and grasp opportunities to serve and witness.

We will work whenever possible with others of great faith or none. We will celebrate partnerships in the gospel with all who seek peace.

We will be holy risk takers.

We believe that, if done in God's Spirit, all things are possible.

Core Principles

- Inclusivity - offering an equal welcome to all regardless of gender, ethnicity, age, ability, or sexuality. We will be part of the inclusive church network.
- Volunteering – creating vibrant opportunities to develop skills.
- Nurturing –promoting positive, hope and grace filled relationships.
- Discipling – looking for opportunities of God-filled conversations and spiritual growth through prayer
- Serving – living the Jesus way embodying Christian hospitality
- Transforming – developing community based activities which reveals the heart of Jesus of love and respect
- Peace making – working with partners who promote peace.
- Welcoming – becoming a place of welcome and creating safe spaces

Strategies/How will we do this?

Working in partnership with the Project Management team and key partners.

Worship

- Amalgamate third Sunday worship into Glorious
- Establish a weekly morning prayer service
- Joint act of worship monthly with Hope Farm and Little Sutton
- Develop our online presence with worship
- Create a monthly service “café conversations”

Learning and Caring

- Establish a network of welcomers/listeners – three per day who are trained and able to signpost individuals
- Work in partnership with Hope farm and Little Sutton is establishing home groups and bible study groups
- Join inclusive church network and place of welcome network
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Service

- Reorientation and engagement of volunteers as we emerge from lockdown
- Create new volunteering opportunities partnering with local agencies
- Re-establish a coffee bar with simplified menu avoiding duplication and competition with local cafes

- Ensure partnerships are maintained with organisations which share our kingdom values in “feeding our sheep”
- Hold an older persons holiday club

Evangelism

- Establish lego church
- Establish baptism packs and links to other events in church
- Build and develop meaningful relationships with building users and look for opportunities to share the Jesus story
- Run a series of social events – quiz nights

Governance – we will look for opportunities of engaging in discussion with group 3 churches in relation to shared governance.

Communication – we will set up joint communication protocols such as newsletters, magazine and welcome packs.

Collaboration – we will look for opportunities of working together, sharing resources and supporting Little Sutton and Hope Farm churches to create The Methodist Church in Ellesmere Port – on three sites.

We will continue to worship together in our joint services, Looking Deeper, New Song Café and Sung Communion.



The Administration of Trinity Methodist Church

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Grateful thanks go to the team who have enabled this – our preachers, Steve, Suzanne, John and Pete. Pete has enabled so much to happen with his skills and our online presence is widely known. Also our thanks to Adrian, Pete and New Song Wirral for the music. We have had requests from other churches for the music and that evidences the great quality. Thank you. The average weekly attendance has been difficult to gauge because we can't know for sure who or how many are accessing the services online. We have had some reports that there were a few 'new' people logging in and number have been growing. When we return to our buildings this ministry will continue – it allows so many others to engage in worship.

In addition to those who have enabled the safety of our building – we have ensured covid safe environments for our partnership working. Over 260,000 meals have been issued through Port Grocery and the Foodbank in full co-operation with Trinity Methodist Church. During lockdown 1, the full premise of the church was enabled for use of our partners at considerable cost to the church and its finances. 87 people were helped with hampers at Christmas, schools provided with food for needy families and cards issued to all businesses, the womens refuge provided with goods for families fleeing domestic abuse. Pastoral care and provisions given to many who visited the only church open in the area. Daily placing and praying for Covid deaths with black wool in the prayer garden has brought media interest from BBC, national and local along with premier radio. The local authority see the church

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Alongside our online presence the banner “feed our sheep”, hamper deliveries and food deliveries has enabled our mission to be developed and maintained.

Finally

As we go into the future growing God’s Kingdom has to remain our focus as we reach out to people where they and their interests are. We have to move forward with all we have learned from this last year and we must seek a new vision. These things must involve our prayer, dedication, and commitment both in time and resources. I ask your continued support in our shared and evolving ministry to the people of Little Sutton and beyond. Our focus is on preparing our mission plan in partnership with Little Sutton and Hope Farm. Our strength in Christ is through our togetherness.

b) Church Steward’s Report – During the lockdown period it has been impossible to meet for face to face church council meetings.

Information has been provided via post, email and through direct contact with church stewards and members in relation to worship, personnel and finances.

Zoom meetings have taken place in relation to the mission and vision of Trinity and also separate meetings in partnership with Hope Farm and Little Sutton to create a "Methodist Church in Ellesmere Port" mission plan. The Trinity mission plan is attached.

Trinity Management Group has continued to meet via zoom to review and oversee the work of the project. This has focused on personnel issues and room usage and finances.

Sadly, our dear colleague Nigel has been absent since October 2020. Our thoughts and prayers continued to be with Sue and Nigel. Gill Clayton temporarily will be working 25 hours per week to cover some of this work.

Cheryl was furloughed for significant part of the lockdown period and has resumed her 20 hrs per week work. Jenny was part furloughed working at the end of each day to clean. Rev Jackie has been at Trinity throughout ensuring our links with the community have been maintained.

c) Property steward's report – property aspects of our premises are being routinely maintained to a level that meets all related statutory and discretionary requirements – the premises continue to be fit-for-purpose and during the lockdown improved in relation to our obligation set out in the quinquennial report. There are parts of the building where the condition of the paintwork and plaster are extremely poor and advice has been sought in relation to this.

d) Safeguarding – DBS and online safeguarding have been undertaken for key officers in the church. The Church project operates via a paid volunteer co-ordinator and ensures safer recruitment for volunteers including the obtaining of references.

e) Ladies Fellowship – Sadly for the most part the fellowship had not met yet will resume in September in a newly renovated room.

f) Finance – During the course of the year members have been faithful in maintaining offering. Due to the lockdown the churches income has reduced primarily due to the reduction in external lets. Please see the attached files.

**THE METHODIST CHURCH
STANDARD FORM OF ACCOUNTS**

TRINITY ELLESMERE PORT	Church
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FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31 August 2020

WIRRAL	Circuit	Circuit no	18/9
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Registered Charity - Charity Registration number

1162542

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

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

Minister:

Rev Jackie Bellfield

Church Stewards:

Margo Burows	George Thorogood
May Thomas	Muriel Thorogood
Eileen Germon	Maureen Stanley
Jean Armstorng	

Treasurer:

Mr Peter Colyer

Basis of Independent Examiner’s Report

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

Independent Examiner’s Statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention (other than that disclosed below*):

- (1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act;
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act have not been met; or
- (2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply appropriate*

- (3) I have/have not* obtained independent verification of all investments with the Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes ("TMCP") or held in other Trusts, Bank balances and Funds at the Central Finance Board of the Methodist Church ("CFB"), which are individually in excess of £10,000 (ten thousand pounds) at the balance sheet date.

** Please circle as appropriate*

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