



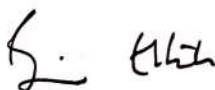
Annual Report

CHRIST
CHURCH
KENSINGTON 



WELCOME

Christ Church is a Church of England parish church in the Diocese of London. This report summarises who we are and how we are doing as we look back on 2024. We invite you to read all of this report critically, thankfully and prayerfully.



Brian Elfick, on behalf of the PCC

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SECTION 1

Our Vision

TO UNDERSTAND CHRIST CHURCH, WE NEED TO START WITH GOD AND WHAT HE IS DOING IN THIS WORLD.

CENTRED ON CHRIST



First, God is gathering people to himself through the Lord Jesus Christ. This is why Jesus came into the world: to seek and to save the lost (Luke 19:10). As he does so, he gathers them into churches, all centred on the Lord Jesus Christ and what he has done for them. Christ Church is one such church. Therefore, the first part of our vision is to be centred on Christ.

LOVING ONE ANOTHER



Secondly, God is now knitting together the people in these churches in love. God wants his people, once saved, to grow as disciples of Jesus by repenting and believing more and more – and we cannot do that without each other's help. More profoundly, he wants his people to grow together as one body (Ephesians 4:15–16). Therefore, the second part of our vision is to love one another.

SERVING KENSINGTON



Finally, God has a purpose for his churches to serve others. God sent Jesus because he so loved the world, and we cannot belong to Jesus without being caught up in this mission. The primary way God works in the world is through local churches proclaiming the gospel to the people God has put around them (1 Timothy 3:15). Therefore, the third part of our vision is to serve Kensington.

Everyone lives for something. We want to live for God. And we believe that the more we focus on these three aspects of our vision, the more we will bring glory to him.

CENTRED ON CHRIST



Jesus shows us a God who is amazing: gracious, generous, patient, self-sacrificial, fair and wise. He is entirely worthy of our trust, love and obedience – and to know him personally is the meaning of life.

The tragedy of humanity is that none of us instinctively do trust, love or obey God – and what we deserve as a result is to die an eternal death of condemnation and separation from him: broken, discarded and far from home.

But here is what Jesus has done: he lived the perfect life that we should have lived and then he died on the cross to face that death we deserve, in our place. After three days he rose again, defeating death finally and confirming to us that every promise God makes to us will come true.

All this is far from what we deserve: it is God's free gift of grace to us in Christ.

So we want to be centred on him. We want to connect him to every aspect of our lives: our work, our friendships, our families; how we speak, how we handle money; how we respond to triumph and tragedy alike. We want to give ourselves in worship to the one who loved us and gave himself for us (Romans 12:1–2).





HOW DO WE REMAIN CENTRED? THE BIBLE AND PRAYER

The Bible is God's key tool for proclaiming to us this good news.

As the Bible is taught faithfully, God speaks to us: his word is like food for the journey, honey for our soul, a light to our feet, a sword that cuts to the heart of us and a hammer that shatters our pride. The biggest thing Jesus wants of us is to listen well (Luke 10:42).

We put the reading and preaching of God's word at the centre of our Sunday gatherings. We work through passages so we can see for ourselves what it says. Our preachers aim to teach everything the Bible says and nothing it does not.

But we also multiply occasions outside Sundays for people to read and hear his word. All our meetings/activities have the goal of authentic, context-appropriate proclamation of the gospel, applied to people's real lives. We want to enable each other to hear God's word (e.g. by offering babysitters) and equip each other to teach it.

Prayer is the primary way we respond to this good news.

Having listened to our Father, we talk to him. This is the most basic practical expression of faith (Luke 18:1–8).

We want to nurture people in their private prayer, helping their prayers to become more joyful, consistent, substantial and informed. But we also pray together and we want to help everyone enjoy these times. We see our monthly prayer meeting as the clearest indicator of our church's spiritual health.

LOVING ONE ANOTHER



Jesus said, 'Just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another' (John 13:34). So, even as we all struggle with questions, fears, hurts and temptations, we are committed to forgiving, bearing with, praying for and encouraging one another.

God's will for us is that we become more like Jesus in every respect and his Spirit is at work within us to help us. We know that for us this will involve many changes, and those changes will often make life harder and more complicated for us in the short term. But we embrace such change and, because we love one another, we are committed to walking with one another through it.

Practically this means that we talk about repentance and faith. We hope that any visitor can quickly discern that, when we do so, we are talking first of all to ourselves.

It also means we are committed to becoming more personal with one another. Most of us are instinctively private and individualistic. But God is different: he views wisdom as corporate, he has a basic distrust of secrecy, and he sets a high premium on genuine reconciliation (Ephesians 4:1–6, 5:8–20).

So, we want to help one another voluntarily, and at a pace we each choose, to begin to dismantle the barriers we put up around ourselves. One way this often happens is through our various smaller groups.

KATIE'S STORY



The Lord has really been at work in me this year and I've changed more than any other year. I struggled with doubts for a long time, but I feel the Lord has opened my eyes now. I've come to realise that the Christian faith makes so much sense as a foundation for my life, and that to not accept it would still be taking a position of faith – just in something else. And any 'something else' I come up with wouldn't compare to the resurrection. These changes in my faith seem to have happened almost randomly after years of struggling with doubts. It's helped me realise that God has always been at work, in his timing, and he's been holding onto me all these years.

This has spilled out in lots of ways. I've been coming to Christ Church for five years but this is the year where church family has actually felt like family, like home. I also started serving on the kids' team. When I signed up, I didn't know how it would play out. Having not grown up with Christian parents teaching me the Bible, it is so personally important to me to help the next generation grow up with a firm foundation in Christ, something I didn't have when I was younger. They'll grow up in the world knowing Jesus' love for them, a real refuge when they face rougher moments, like doubts and mental health battles – things I experienced myself but had no clue how to navigate.

I've also become bolder in sharing my faith with colleagues. When I started my current job, I was very private about it, which reflected my relationship with the Lord at the time. This year, as he's worked in my heart, he's given me the willingness and confidence to tell people what I believe. I've even had some deep conversations with colleagues in a way that I wouldn't have expected. I'm definitely not amazing at it, but it matters that I do it. It's my identity, and the most incredible gift ever – ultimately, I want it to become theirs as well.

SERVING KENSINGTON



Jesus has given churches the task of making disciples of those who do not currently know or trust in him (Matthew 28:16–20). As a church we want to give ourselves to this mission to all.

We want to be **accessible to all**: a church where anyone can find a warm welcome and a vision for life led by God. The community around us is diverse, including students, young families and people from overseas, and we want our services to connect with all of them.

We want to be **servants to all**: to serve our neighbours in practical and unglamorous roles where they are – whether on our street, in our place of work, at the sports club or at our children’s school, or through the many voluntary organisations around us.

Above all, we want to be **messengers to all**: sharing a message that most people have not yet grasped. We hope to give people as many opportunities as possible, in ways they will enjoy, to begin to encounter Jesus’ reality and beauty.



OUR LIFEBOAT MISSION

The Jesus of the Gospels constantly spoke in terms of salvation: lost and found, hell and heaven, death and life (Luke 13:22-30). We may find this language unsettling but there is no other Jesus than this one.

If we take Jesus at his word, then the church has an urgent mission: we are not so much a cruise ship as a lifeboat.

On a cruise ship, the passengers are there mostly for the pleasure of the journey. The service must always be good. The captain always steers away from trouble. And the ship is not aiming to pick up more people.

But on a lifeboat, almost everyone becomes crew. They are there to serve the needs of others and embrace hard work, risk and difficulties for the sake of seeing more people rescued.

We see ourselves as a lifeboat.





SECTION 2

Key Activities in 2024

VICAR'S REPORT



In September the staff gathered to fix an urgent problem: far more people wanted to be in small groups than we had planned for. After some quick scrambling, all student groups moved from Wednesdays to Tuesdays; three more groups were launched; we now have 14 groups meeting to open God's word every week.

I praise God that these sorts of problems – we might call them 'growing pains' – can be seen right across the church at the moment. And there is no great mystery to it: as we pray, open the Bible and give ourselves to serving others, God's Spirit uses his gospel to bring life and growth.



'AS WE PRAY, OPEN THE BIBLE AND GIVE OURSELVES TO SERVING OTHERS, GOD'S SPIRIT USES HIS GOSPEL TO BRING LIFE AND GROWTH.'

At our Annual Meeting back in January 2024 I identified four challenges for the year ahead: to reset our partnerships, fund the staff, fix the tower and unlock the building. As the year draws to a close, we can celebrate that three of these four goals have been hit.

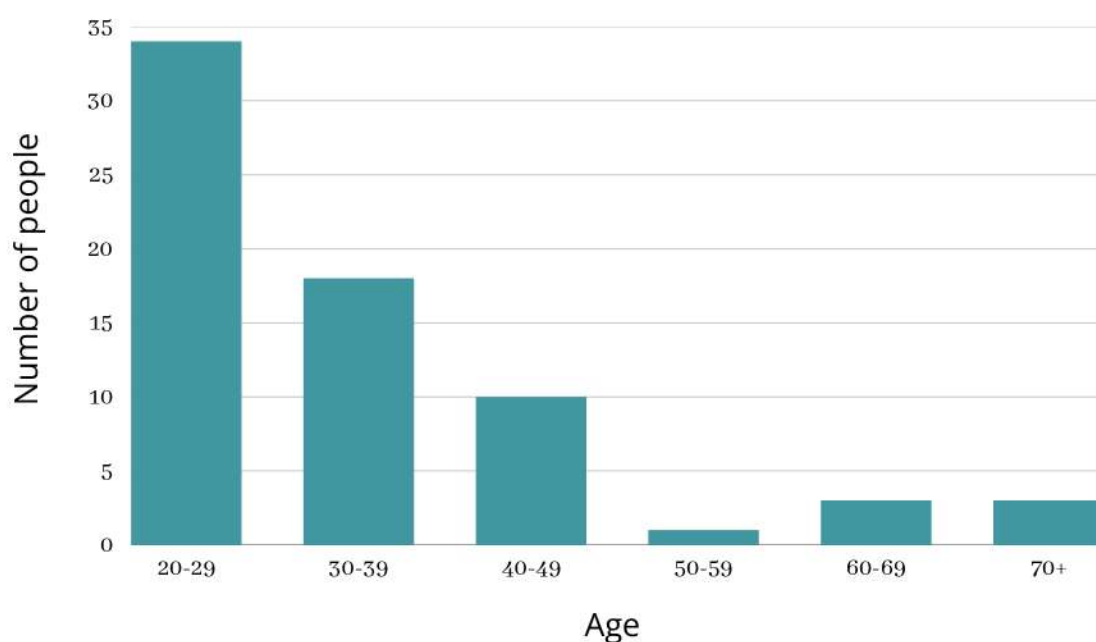
- The PCC has discussed all aspects of our relationship with the Diocese of London and has a clear plan for how we can manage this relationship in the absence of Alternative Episcopal Oversight. In the meantime we have identified other key partners and more clearly articulated the nature of our partnership with them.
- The congregation rose wonderfully to the challenge of increasing our giving to fund two new full-time staff roles. These roles have significantly strengthened our pastoral care of students, women and older members of church.
- After finalising repair plans with the architects, running a competitive tender process, partnering with Christ Church Community Trust for fundraising, and applying for all the relevant permissions, we look set to start work on the tower in the new year. This work will not only make the tower look great, it will also make both garden and church building safe for years to come.
- It is only our project on the nave (to replace pews with a stone floor, underfloor heating and flexible seating) that we have failed to move forward in 2024. This must be a priority for 2025 if we are to unlock the building for more varied use through the week – essential if we are to keep growing.



In the midst of this progress, I want to mention one concern. We remain relatively light on those in their 40s, 50s and 60s who are regular on Sundays, committed to the prayer meeting and actively involved in disciple-making. Ideally such people would form the core of our service leading, small group leadership and PCC membership.

We cannot create such leaders magically but their recruitment and nurturing must surely be a high priority for Christ Church. We need to ensure that our Sunday services, in particular, are attractive to men and women in this demographic who love the Lord Jesus, are attractive to their children also, and disciple them to greater fruitfulness. Doing so will help all the other things we want to do as a church.

Leaders in teams, PCC and subcommittees



CONNECT

with those around us

PEOPLE AT EVENTS



Sports quiz

50



Faith in the media

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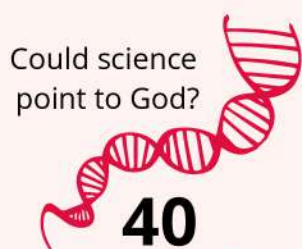
Last Supper unwrapped

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Easter egg hunt



Could science point to God?

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Choir concert

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How to choose a pinot noir

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A Love Supreme jazz concert

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Darkness and light party

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Candle painting workshop

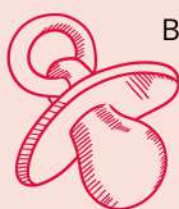
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Christmas jazz and cocktails

98

AVERAGE ATTENDANCE AT REGULAR EVENTS



Bumps, Babies and Tots

20



Community coffee morning

12

NEXT STEPS

Welcome
Events

5 events
32 people



CHRISTIANITY
EXPLORED

3 courses
16 people

Baptisms



5 adults
1 child

“Christianity Explored provided a friendly environment where Christian beliefs were introduced in an accessible way. I enjoyed reading Mark's Gospel and gained confidence in doing so on my own. I ended up with even more questions because I now understand more about who Jesus is and why he died for me.

Fei Wang



We've made progress:

- Monthly guest events that people are enjoying
- Regular, well-attended Christianity Explored courses
- Welcome events occurring every 6–8 weeks
- Students in particular bringing their friends to church



We've got further to go:

- More passion across the church for people to come to know Jesus
- A shared commitment to bringing people to our services and Christianity Explored



Questions we're asking:

- How can the community coffee morning connect with more people?
- What guest events are easiest to bring friends to?
- How can we best share Jesus with local families?



Opportunities for next year:

- Some great events already planned
- A dedicated Christianity Explored course for students



Praise God for:

- A great message about Jesus which is the key to every human heart
- The baptisms of Aaron, Eri, Hsinmei, James and Shannan
- Those who are exploring the Christian faith being with us every Sunday



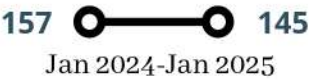
Please pray for:

- Us all to be more and more concerned for Jesus' glory and the salvation of others, such that we pray and speak boldly
- God to draw people to Jesus and open their eyes to his grace

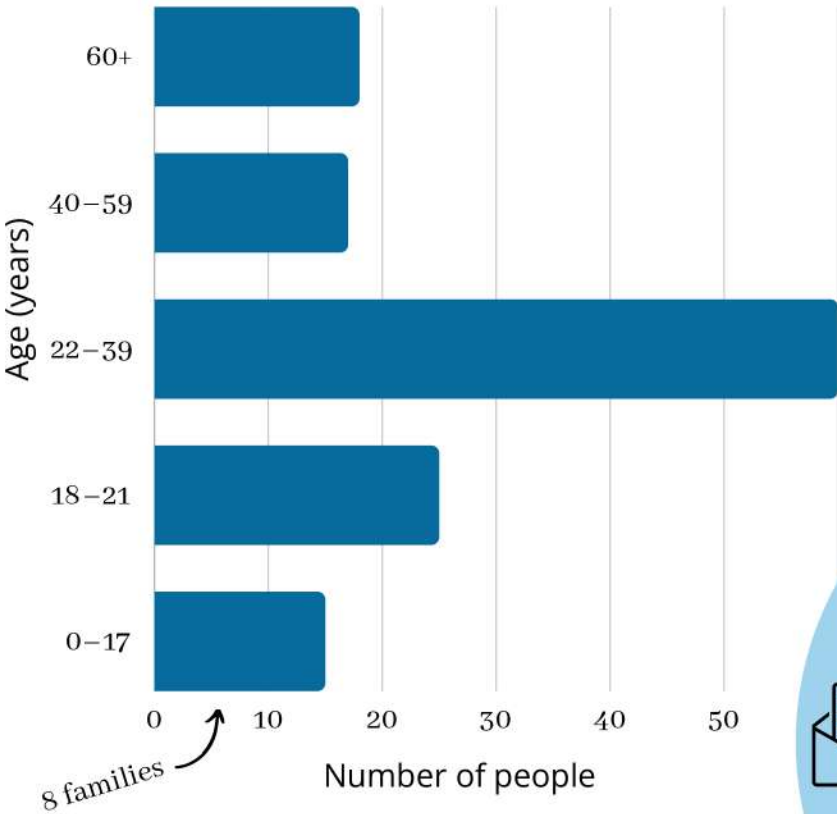
GATHER

under God's word

ELECTORAL ROLL

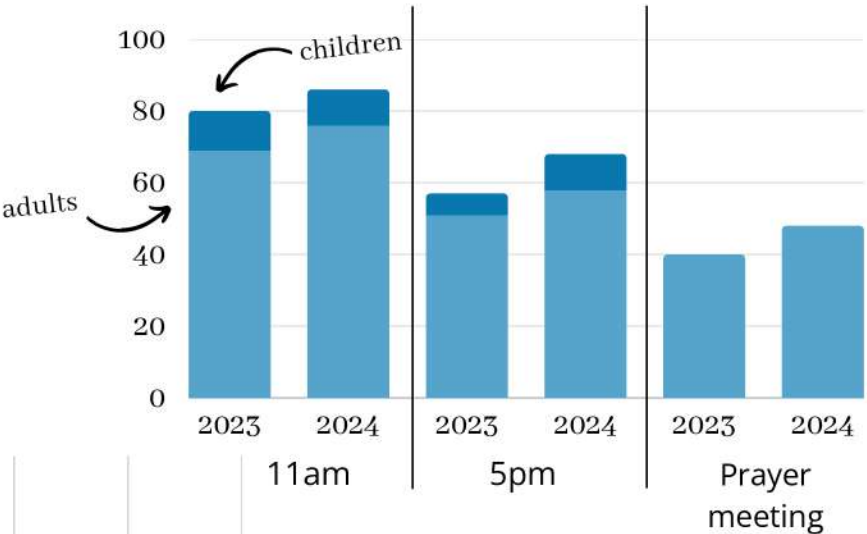


WHO ARE WE?†

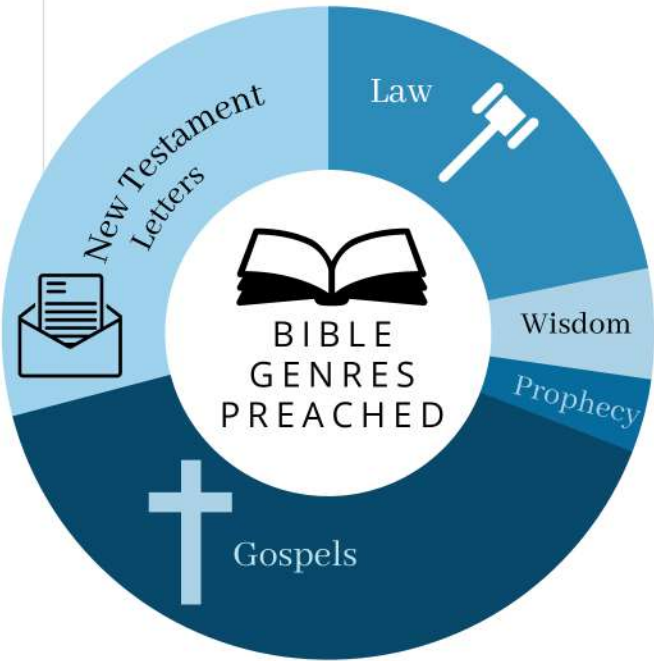
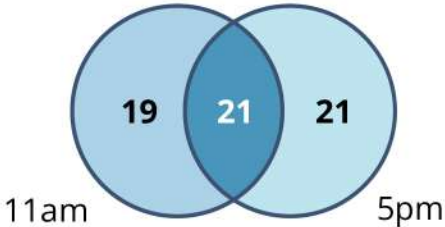


†those who attend 30+ Sundays per year

AVERAGE ATTENDANCE



Songs we sing (excl. Christmas)



The weekend away was a great opportunity to be reminded of core gospel truths in Luke and to be challenged in my mindset toward prayer. It was also a privilege to have the chance to get to know new people and deepen existing relationships with others in the congregation. As parents, we were very grateful for the childcare that enabled all of this.

Ben Jenkins



We've made progress:

- More people flowing between the two services
- Service leading and notice giving broadened beyond the clergy
- A more consistent Zoom experience at church prayer meetings
- Organic celebrating of birthdays, Christmas, New Year and Easter



We've got further to go:

- Despite a warm welcome, new families tend not to stick at 11am
- A higher proportion of small group members to come to prayer meetings



Questions we're asking:

- How can we make our services more attractive and edifying for those in their 40s–60s who love Jesus and are keen to make disciples (and for their families)?



Opportunities for next year:

- We've planned both a weekend away (14–16 November) and a weekend at home (14 June)



Praise God for:

- More people coming to our Sunday services
- Jesus' gracious pastoring of us, his flock



Please pray for:

- More families to find their home at Christ Church
- Prayer meetings to be great times of the church family relying on the Lord

BUILD

one another up



CHILDREN AND YOUTH GROUP AVERAGE ATTENDANCE





Youth Link is a fantastic way to make new friends who also follow Jesus and I have learnt so much about the Lord over the past couple of years!

Rachel Heffner



We've made progress:

- More groups, more times, more locations, more choice
- Youth Link becoming more established with a wider range of young people



We've got further to go:

- We are not drawing in busy men as well as we might
- Weekly Bible teaching for 14–18s



Questions we're asking:

- How can small groups lead to more change in people's lives?
- How can we better help families reinforce teaching at home?



Opportunities for next year:

- The move of students to a dedicated night on Tuesdays creates space for more groups and more Bible teaching tailored to their needs



Praise God for:

- So many people who are keen to be discipled and make disciples



Please pray for:

- God's protection of marriages, families and friendships within church
- God to work deeply within us to make us fruitful

EQUIP

each other to serve

WEEKLY EMAIL
330 total recipients
+39 new subscribers
67% open rate



WEBSITE
2,164
 monthly page views

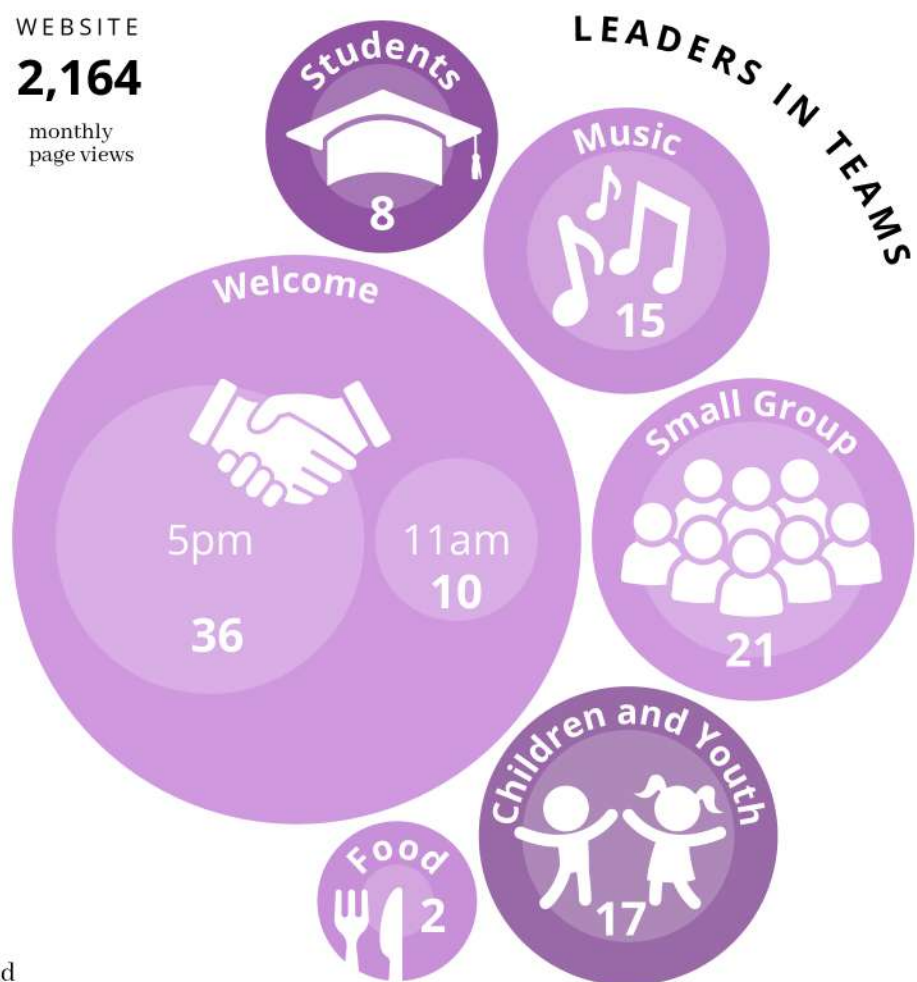
PRAYER DIARY
72 users
1460 prayer points



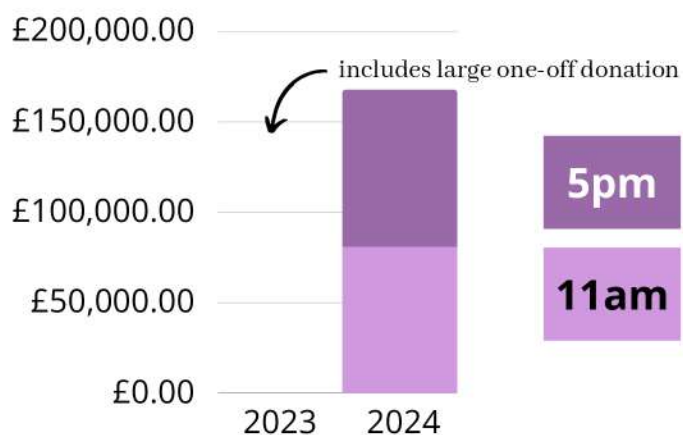
TRAINING
40 at Leaders' Day
20 completed Ready to Serve course



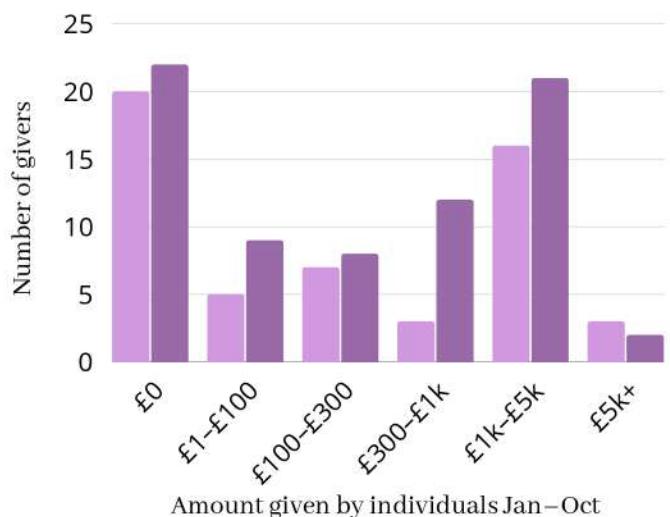
BOOKSTALL
120 titles for sale
61 copies sold



TOTAL GIVING (JAN-DEC)



HOW MUCH DO WE GIVE?*



*those who attend 30+ Sundays per year

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Serving on the welcome team has brought me closer to my church community in a way I would not have ordinarily been able to through my normal interactions.

Fiyin Oladipo



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We've made progress:

- Better equipping of leaders through Leaders' Day and the Ready to Serve course
- We've made it easier for experienced but busy people to lead a small group
- Teams (as opposed to rotas) are helping us to train new and more invested leaders, especially in our children's work



We've got further to go:

- Giving has gone up but as a church we still rely significantly on subsidies from the Church of England
- More women to join small group leadership
- More older small group leaders



Questions we're asking:

- How can we create capacity if more children start to come on a Sunday?
- How can we make progress with the floor project?



Opportunities for next year:

- The welcome team to become smaller and more highly trained
- Help the choir share more characteristics of other ministry teams
- If funds allow, replace the Charles Madden room doors to create better sound-proofing



Praise God for:

- God's Spirit raising up many servant-hearted leaders
- God's word being sufficient to equip us for every good work



Please pray for:

- All church members to begin to give regularly – even if only £10 a month
- More leaders in their 40s–60s who love Jesus and are keen to serve

PARTNER

with other gospel work

WAYS WE'VE PARTNERED THIS YEAR



Giving £1000



Praying for them 50 times as a whole church



Four people attending lunchtime talks each week



James preaching during their visit



Two people attending the annual conference



Three young people attending summer camp



Two people volunteering



Giving £800



Five people training at Cornhill



Giving £800



11 leaders serving on summer camp



Steve Divall coming to preach in August



Hosting an annual gathering

Our partnership is genuine: we are supported in prayer, encouraged by seeing you and financially enabled to train up more workers for God's harvestfield in South Africa. My longing is that Hope Church can in the years ahead be an equal encouragement to you as we carry on partnering together.

James Buchanan, Hope Church Johannesburg



We've made progress:

- A series in Romans 15–16 that helped us think carefully about partnership
- New 'Partnership' booklet and webpage explaining how our partnerships work
- The development by the PCC of a robust and principled response to the Diocese
- More gospel partners preaching on a Sunday



We've got further to go:

- Increased giving to mission partners
- Higher engagement across the whole church with specific partners



Questions we're asking:

- How do we ensure we are receiving and learning from our partners?



Opportunities for next year:

- A trip to visit a partner overseas
- Relationships with other churches to develop beyond a link with the senior pastor



Praise God for:

- High engagement among students with their university Christian unions
- The gospel bearing fruit across the world



Please pray for:

- Christ Church to use our gifts and play our part in the kingdom of God
- The Alliance* to profoundly shape the Church of England's future

*see alliancecofe.org



SECTION 3

Behind the Scenes

INTRODUCTION

In this document the parish is referred to as Christ Church and the Parochial Church Council as the PCC. Christ Church forms part of the Kensington Deanery in the Episcopal Area of Kensington, within the Diocese of London. The PCC is a body corporate established by the Church of England. The PCC operates under the Parochial Church Council Powers Measure. The PCC is a registered charity subject to the Charities Act 2011 (registered number 1173041).

Membership of the PCC is determined by the Church Representation Rules. In 2024 the PCC members, who act as trustees of the registered charity, were as listed below.

Clergy members

Brian Elfick (Incumbent and Chairman), Rich Powell (Associate Vicar)

Churchwardens

Andrew Dimond, Gordon Hoff (Vice-chair of the PCC)

Elected lay members

Georgy Armitage, Winnie Barber (née Ip), Matthew Baugh, Felipe Gana Skinner, Gordon Hoff, Andrey Lebedev, Irene Lu, Amelia Ravalde, Imogen Sprackling, Josephine Teo (until April 2024) and Hannah Thoppuram

Elected as Kensington Deanery Synod lay representatives

Matthew Baugh, Richard Heffner and Hannah Thoppuram

Elected by Kensington Deanery Synod to London Diocesan Synod (until June 2024)

Sarah Tett

The PCC is supported by five subcommittees. At the end of 2024, they were constituted as follows:

- Standing: Georgy Armitage, Andrew Dimond, Gordon Hoff, Rich Powell and Imogen Sprackling
- Buildings & Fabric: Winnie Barber, Andrew Dimond, Claire Dimond, Roselle Fox, Jennifer Freeman, and Rowena Winkler
- Finance: Roselle Fox, Alby Kerslake, Andrey Lebedev, Caroline McCabe and Imogen Sprackling
- Mission & Partnerships: Felipe Gana Skinner, Nathan Hall, Pippa James and Rich Powell
- Human Resources: Richard Heffner, Gordon Hoff, Hannah Jenkins, Gregor McKinley and Vanessa Romeiro

As vicar, Brian Elfick is an ex officio member of all subcommittees.

The PCC has a risk register and risk mitigation framework (available on request), covering a range of areas including

- Governance: skills and experience, competence, processes and organisation of the PCC, etc.
- Operations: child protection, health & safety, plant & equipment, physical safety, etc.
- Financial: income stability, reserves, cashflow, investments, fraud, etc.
- External: economic situation, public policy, public health, demographic changes, etc.
- Regulatory: government requirements/reporting, disability discrimination, etc.

Each itemised risk has a corresponding mitigation measure and specific individuals and groups who take responsibility for this.

PCC GEORGY ARMITAGE



In 2024 the PCC and Standing Committee each met five times.
PCC minutes are available upon request.

Developments included:

- On the Archdeacon's suggestion, we agreed to transfer our patronage from the Bishop of London to Church Society.
- We pledged £15,000pa to the Common Fund for 2025, as an expression of gratitude for the central services we receive from the Diocese.
- We agreed in principle to a contract to restore the tower in the new year, including committing up to £100,000 from reserves.
- With the help of the Diocesan Safeguarding Team, we revised our safeguarding policy and processes. We agreed that PCC members must complete their training in order to attend meetings.
- We set up a modest Diaconal Support Fund, to support church members experiencing financial hardship.
- We decided to allow clergy to use their own discretion in what to wear in services.
- We agreed to a renewal of Rich Powell's licence as a Locally Supported Minister until August 2026.
- With the Bishop of Kensington's knowledge we have asked for Alternative Spiritual Oversight. This will be provided by Bishop Rob Munro.

STAFF AND MINISTRY TRAINEES BRIAN ELFICK



The major development of 2024 was that the church's generosity enabled us to appoint Tristan Bacon as a Student Worker and Pippa James as a Pastoral Worker helping to train small groups. Both are graduates of our Ministry Trainee (MT) scheme – a scheme that we think is working well for us. In September Grace Palframan stopped as a part-time MT and Tom Haley began as a full-time one.

Other staff continue in unchanged roles: Rich Powell as Associate Vicar, Sam Barber as part-time Director of Music, Roselle Fox as Ministry Support Coordinator, and Breanna Monaghan as Pastoral Worker overseeing families' ministry.

SAFEGUARDING BREANNA MONAGHAN



As part of our ongoing work to protect children and vulnerable adults, we have continued to ensure all our leaders are safely recruited and adequately trained, paying due regard to the diocesan regulations.

We have also shared notices and training with the whole church family, as part of our commitment to building a healthy church culture. We have sought advice from the Diocesan Safeguarding Advisor on a number of occasions relating to mental health and adult safeguarding.

Safeguarding responsibilities are shared between the vicar and the Parish Safeguarding Officer. We encourage anyone with any concerns or queries – however big or small – to contact either of us: safeguarding@christchurchkensington.com or brian@christchurchkensington.com.

DEANERY SYNOD

RICHARD HEFFNER



Kensington Deanery Synod met four times in 2024. In February Synod heard from Charlotte Bannister-Parker, Associate Vicar of St John's, Notting Hill and Founder of the Hope4Creation Foundation; in June had a summer drinks party; in September were joined by Sally Bally, Vicar of Holy Trinity Hounslow, to consider the theme of 'Confident Disciples – Growing in Cultural Diversity'; and in November met to discuss 'Creative Growth'.

BUILDINGS & FABRIC

ANDREW & CLAIRE DIMOND



We have continued to implement recommendations from the 2021 quinquennial inspection report. We carried out vestibule repairs in January to combat the effects of weathering and reduce the risk of water ingress: replacing lead, repointing mortar joints and removing moss.

We also repaired the gate into the nursery, upgraded and repaired faults in the fire alarm system, installed new thermostats to save energy, and purchased an additional bike rack, which has received good use.

Our main focus, though, has been to restore the tower – work which is essential for safety reasons. To do so, we need to raise up to £635,000. The PCC has designated £100,000 of our own funds to the project but we are deeply thankful to Christ Church Community Trust for helping us to raise a further £420,000 from neighbours, local businesses and grant-making bodies. We are extremely grateful to all who have contributed.

In April we installed netting on the tower so that we could reopen the garden. Following a competitive tender process we identified a preferred contractor. The Diocesan Advisory Committee has given its support for the repairs and we have submitted a faculty petition. We hope to agree a contract by the start of 2025, aiming for completion in the autumn.

Once we have finished fundraising for the tower, we will turn our attention to the floor project, which we continue to think is an urgent priority for unlocking the building's usefulness in disciple-making, and which we believe will pay for itself (through increased rentals) within a few years.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

IMOGEN SPRACKLING



(This is an interim report while we await audited figures.)

There is a surplus of £3,700 for the 11 months ended 30 November. This is an improvement compared to the 2024 budget, which projected a deficit, and is driven partly by the decision to pause our Common Fund contributions. We are expecting to end the year within our reserves policy level.

Encouragingly, congregational giving increased in 2024 and this enabled us to appoint Tristan and Pippa to the staff team. However, there is an ongoing challenge that our congregational giving (even supported by income from hiring church premises to third parties) is not sufficient to cover the current ministry expenditure, which predominantly comprises staff and clergy costs. Please pray for increased giving across the congregations over the coming months.

RESERVES POLICY

It is PCC policy to try to maintain a balance on free reserves (free cash) which equates to at least three months' unrestricted payments. It is held to smooth out fluctuations in cash flow and to meet emergencies. This reserves policy has not been breached to date (at point of publication) in 2024 and it is not expected to be breached at any point in the remaining part of 2024.

FURTHER INFORMATION

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Report of the Trustees and
Unaudited Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31st December 2024
for
The Parochial Church Council Of The
Ecclesiastical Parish Of Christ Church,
Kensington

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**The Parochial Church Council Of The
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**The Parochial Church Council Of The
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**Reference and Administrative Details
for the Year Ended 31st December 2024**

Trustees

B Elfick (Incumbent and Chairman)
G Armitage (Hon Sec)
W Barber (nee Ip)
M Baugh
A Dimond (Churchwarden)
G Hoff (Churchwarden and Vice-chair)
F Gana Skinner
R Heffner
A Lebedev
I Lu
R Powell (Associate Vicar)
A Ravalde
I Sprackling (Treasurer)
J Teo (until April 2024)
S Tett (until June 2024)
H Thoppuram

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Registered charity number

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**The Parochial Church Council Of The
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**Report of the Trustees
for the Year Ended 31st December 2024**

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2024. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

Aims and purposes

The PCC's aim is to co-operate with the Vicar in promoting the whole mission of the church, pastoral, evangelistic and ecumenical. It also has maintenance responsibilities for the church building. PCC members are made aware of their trustee responsibilities. All PCC members undertake safeguarding training. Training in matters such as health and safety, food safety, and safeguarding is undertaken by role holders with particular responsibility for the matter in question.

Objectives and activities

Objectives

When planning our activities for the year, the PCC has considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and the supplementary guidance on charities established for the advancement of religion.

The church's objectives are

- Regular public worship open to all.
- The provision of sacred space for personal prayer and contemplation.
- Pastoral work, including visiting the sick and the bereaved.
- Teaching of Christianity through sermons, courses and small groups.
- Taking of religious assemblies in schools.
- The provision of a youth club with a Christian ethos.
- Promotion of Christianity through the staging of events.

Achievement and performance

Review of Activities, Achievements and Performance

In 2024, we ran a variety of events to connect with those around us, including Community Coffee Mornings, Bumps, Babies and Tots mornings, monthly guest events, 5 Welcome Events and 3 Christianity Explored Courses.

Average attendance increased at both our services, to a combined total of about 155 each Sunday, and also in our Small Group Bible Studies. We also held our first whole-church weekend away in a few years.

We supported the local University Christian Unions, sent both leaders and members on Summer Camps and strengthened partnerships with 14 mission partners, both in the UK and around the world.

On the Archdeacon's suggestion, we agreed to transfer our patronage from the Bishop of London to Church Society. We agreed in principle a building contract to restore the tower. And we set up a modest diaconal support fund.

**The Parochial Church Council Of The
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**Report of the Trustees
for the Year Ended 31st December 2024**

Financial review

Financial position

The financial position of Christ Church ended the year with a positive cash reserves balance (above our reserves policy level). We ended the year with a surplus of £6,021.57 on our unrestricted funds and surplus of £15,838.38 in the designated funds.

The income generated by Christ Church continued to be primarily derived from congregational giving and hiring of church premises by non-affiliated organisations. For 2024, our total unrestricted income was £332,572 compared to £321,340 in 2023.

Giving (Donations & Legacies)

Our overall Donations and Legacies Income for unrestricted funds in 2024 was £215,327 compared to £218,008 in 2023.

Other Trading Activities (including income from rentals)

The total trading activities income of the church (which are primarily unrestricted) increased, with the 2024 income being £102,744 rather than £97,538.87 in 2023.

Resources expended

Total resources expended in 2024 of unrestricted funds were £326,550 and a further £9,600 of expenditure within designated funds.

Our unrestricted expenditure of £326,550 can be split into two main categories. The first is expenditure on charitable activities, which covers staffing, direct mission and ministry costs and supporting our mission partners, which was £238,031 in 2023 and decreased to £237,908 in 2024.

The second category of expenditure is other expenditure (for example professional fees, utilities, cleaning and gardening), which is £88,642 and is £3,831 less than 2023.

Balance sheet

The total net assets for Christ Church at 31 December 2024 were £871,883 compared to £850,022 in 2023. Of this amount, £328,463 are fixed assets including building and improvements, particularly related to the east end building works added in 2017. The assets include a total cash balance of £542,871, which includes £163,595 of unrestricted funds cash.

Reserves policy

It is PCC policy to try to maintain a balance on free reserves (free cash) which equates to at least three months' unrestricted payment. This is equivalent to £84,037 (25% of the whole year's running costs). It is held to smooth out fluctuations in cash flow and to meet emergencies. The balance of the free reserves at the yearend was £368,666 which is higher than this target. The balance of £503,216 is made up of £259,178 in the restricted fund which is retained for specific initiatives of the PCC and a designated fund of £244,039 towards clergy accommodation & PCC initiatives.

Plans for the future

The PCC intends to continue its main aim of promoting the whole mission of the church.

Structure, governance and management

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust, and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

**The Parochial Church Council Of The
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**Report of the Trustees
for the Year Ended 31st December 2024**

The PCC is a body corporate established by the Church of England. It is controlled by its governing documents, the Parochial Church Councils (Powers) Measure 1956 and the Church Representation rules, both as amended. The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules.

In addition to the statutory Standing Committee, the PCC has additional subcommittees that draw on the expertise of the wider church family and on which the vicar is entitled to be an ex officio member. In 2023 these consisted of the Finance subcommittee, Buildings and Fabric subcommittee, HR subcommittee and Mission and Partnerships subcommittee.

The electoral roll is completely reviewed and revised every six years. This last took place in 2019. At the end of 2024, the electoral roll stood at 157.

Risk Management and Safeguarding

The PCC has a risk register and risk mitigation framework. Risk categories covered include:

- Governance: skills and experience, competence, processes and organisation of the PCC, etc.
- Operations: child protection, health & safety, plant & equipment, physical safety, etc.
- Financial: income stability, reserves, cashflow, investments, fraud, etc.
- External: economic situation, public policy, public health, demographic changes, etc.
- Regulatory: government requirements / reporting, disability discrimination, etc.

While this register cannot provide absolute assurance, the steps taken should enable the PCC and the church to achieve its objectives. Each itemised risk has a corresponding mitigation measure and specific individuals and groups who take responsibility for this.

Safeguarding

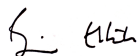
Safeguarding is an integral part of our ongoing work to protect children and vulnerable adults from harm, and we follow the diocesan regulations to ensure the highest level of safeguarding in our church. Safeguarding responsibilities are shared between the vicar and the Parish Safeguarding Officer. All staff, officials and small group leaders have been recruited safely.

Administrative Information

Christ Church forms part of the Kensington Deanery in the Episcopal Area of Kensington, within the Diocese of London and receives extended episcopal oversight from the Bishop of Ebbsfleet. The PCC is a body corporate established by the Church of England. The PCC operates under the Parochial Church Council Powers Measure. The PCC is a registered charity subject to the Charities Act 2011 (registered number 1173041).

For details of Trustees, Principal address and Independent Examiner please refer page 1 of report.

Approved by order of the board of trustees on: 01/05/2025 and signed on its behalf by:



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B Ellick - Trustee

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
The Parochial Church Council Of The
Ecclesiastical Parish Of Christ Church,
Kensington**

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of The Parochial Church Council Of The Ecclesiastical Parish Of Christ Church, Kensington

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of The Parochial Church Council Of The Ecclesiastical Parish Of Christ Church, Kensington (the Trust) for the year ended 31st December 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust 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 Trust's accounts carried out under Section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

Since your charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a listed body. I can confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales, which is one of the listed bodies.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by Section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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.



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Date:01/05/2025.....

**The Parochial Church Council Of The
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**Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31st December 2024**

		Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	Endowment fund £	2024 Total funds £	2023 Total funds £
	Notes					
Income and endowments from						
Donations and legacies		215,327	-	13,412	228,739	218,208
Charitable activities	5					
Sales within charitable activity		10,678	-	-	10,678	2,495
Other trading activities	3	101,559	-	-	101,559	97,539
Investment income	4	<u>3,822</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>12,026</u>	<u>15,848</u>	<u>10,333</u>
Total		<u>331,386</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>25,438</u>	<u>356,824</u>	<u>328,575</u>
Expenditure on						
Raising funds						
Other trading activities	6	<u>236,722</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>236,722</u>	<u>238,030</u>
		236,722	-	-	236,722	238,030
Other	7	<u>88,643</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>9,599</u>	<u>98,242</u>	<u>110,320</u>
Total		<u>325,365</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>9,599</u>	<u>334,964</u>	<u>348,350</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		6,021	-	15,839	21,860	(19,775)
Reconciliation of funds						
Total funds brought forward		<u>362,646</u>	<u>259,178</u>	<u>228,199</u>	<u>850,023</u>	<u>869,798</u>
Total funds carried forward		<u>368,667</u>	<u>259,178</u>	<u>244,038</u>	<u>871,883</u>	<u>850,023</u>

Continuing operations

All income and expenditure has arisen from continuing activities.

The notes form part of these financial statements

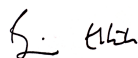
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**Balance Sheet
31st December 2024**

	Notes	2024 £	2023 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	11	328,464	333,309
Current assets			
Debtors	12	93,404	84,604
Cash at bank		646,500	533,220
		739,904	617,824
Creditors			
Amounts falling due within one year	13	(196,485)	(101,110)
Net current assets		543,419	516,714
Total assets less current liabilities		871,883	850,023
NET ASSETS		871,883	850,023
Funds	16		
Unrestricted funds:			
General fund		368,667	362,646
Restricted funds:			
Restricted Fund		259,178	259,178
Endowment funds:			
Endowment		244,038	228,199
Total funds		871,883	850,023

01/05/2025

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on and were signed on its behalf by:



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B Elfick - Trustee

1. Accounting policies

Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 and “Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)” (as amended for accounting periods commencing from 1 January 2016). The church is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The church has taken advantage of the provisions in the SORP for charities applying FRS 102 Update Bulletin 1 not to prepare a Statement of Cash Flows.

The financial statements have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a true and fair view. This departure has involved following the Statement of Recommended Practice for charities applying FRS 102 rather than the version of the Statement of Recommended Practice which is referred to in the Regulations but which has since been withdrawn.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the church. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, modified to include the revaluation of freehold properties and to include investment properties and certain financial instruments at fair value. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

Incoming resources

Income is recognised when the church is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

Cash donations are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the church has been notified of the donation, unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount. Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

Legacies are recognised on receipt or otherwise if the church has been notified of an impending distribution, the amount is known, and receipt is expected. If the amount is not known, the legacy is treated as a contingent asset.

Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable and represents amounts receivable for goods and services provided in the normal course of business, net of discounts, VAT and other sales related taxes.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Freehold property	- not provided
Fixtures and fittings	- 10% on cost
Computer equipment	- 33% on cost

Property, plant and equipment are initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost or valuation, net of depreciation and any impairment losses.

1. Accounting policies - continued

Tangible fixed assets

The gain or loss arising on the disposal of an asset is determined as the difference between the sale proceeds and the carrying value of the asset, and is recognised in net income/(expenditure) for the year.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

See below further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund.

Unrestricted funds: money that may be expended on the day-to-day mission and ministry of Christ Church.

Restricted funds : money donated on the basis that they may only be expended on specific restricted projects. Usually this is for building projects, but not exclusively. This category included Designated Funds, which the PCC is free to re-designate as circumstances may require.

- **Restricted - AV:** This fund is specifically for the raising funds towards our AV upgrade, and associated expenditure.

- **Ministry Trainees:** This fund is specifically for raising funds to support ministry trainees, and for associated expenditure.

Endowment Fund: Exactly which funds are included in this category are defined by the Charities Statement for Recommended Practice, for Christ Church the money in this fund can only be used in relation to Pipe Organ costs or the purchase of clergy accommodation.

- **Designated Fund:** This fund only gathers interest on the income received on the historic sale of a property.

- **Designated Organ Fund:** This fund is specifically for the upkeep of the pipe Organ, and the raising of funds towards a new pipe organ.

Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits

The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the charity's pension scheme are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate.

GOING CONCERN

At the time of approving the financial statements, the trustees have a reasonable expectation that the church has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

IMPAIRMENT OF NON-CURRENT ASSETS

At each reporting end date, the church reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment loss (if any).

CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

1. Accounting policies - continued

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The church has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 other 'Financial Instruments Issues' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments.

Financial instruments are recognised in the church's balance sheet when the church becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset, with the net amounts presented in the financial statements, when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

BASIC FINANCIAL ASSETS

Basic financial assets, which include trade and other receivables and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

BASIC FINANCIAL LIABILITIES

Basic financial liabilities, including trade and other payables and bank loans are initially recognised at transaction price unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial liabilities classified as payable within one year are not amortised.

Debt instruments are subsequently carried at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method.

Trade payables are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of operations from suppliers. Amounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade payables are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

DERECOGNITION OF FINANCIAL LIABILITIES

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the church's contractual obligations expire or are discharged or cancelled.

EMPLOYEE BENEFITS

The cost of any unused holiday entitlement is recognised in the period in which the employee's services are received.

Termination benefits are recognised immediately as an expense when the church is demonstrably committed to terminate the employment of an employee or to provide termination benefits.

2. Critical accounting judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

In the application of the church's accounting policies, the trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

3. Other trading activities

	2024	2023
	£	£
Fundraising events	<u>101,559</u>	<u>97,539</u>

4. Investment income

	2024	2023
	£	£
Interest receivable - trading	<u>15,848</u>	<u>10,333</u>

5. Income from charitable activities

	2024	2023
	£	£
Sales within charitable activity	<u>10,678</u>	<u>2,495</u>

Activity
Sales within charitable activity

6. Other trading activities

	2024	2023
	£	£
Purchases	55,118	79,969
Staff costs	176,759	153,216
Depreciation	<u>4,845</u>	<u>4,845</u>
	<u>236,722</u>	<u>238,030</u>

7. Other

	2024	2023
	£	£
Other Expenditure	<u>98,242</u>	<u>110,320</u>

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**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
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8. Trustees' remuneration and benefits

Five trustees (or any persons connected with them) received remuneration or benefits from the church during the year.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31st December 2024 nor for the year ended 31st December 2023.

9. Staff costs

	2024	2023
	£	£
Wages and salaries	170,189	129,834
Other pension costs	<u>6,570</u>	<u>23,382</u>
	<u><u>176,759</u></u>	<u><u>153,216</u></u>

The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

	2024	2023
Employees	5	3
Clergy	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>
	<u><u>7</u></u>	<u><u>5</u></u>

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

10. Comparatives for the statement of financial activities

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	Endowment fund £	Total funds £
Income and endowments from				
Donations and legacies	218,008	-	200	218,208
Charitable activities				
Sales within charitable activity	2,495	-	-	2,495
Other trading activities	97,539	-	-	97,539
Investment income	<u>3,298</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>7,035</u>	<u>10,333</u>
Total	<u><u>321,340</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>7,235</u></u>	<u><u>328,575</u></u>
Expenditure on				
Raising funds				
Other trading activities	<u>238,030</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>238,030</u>
	238,030	-	-	238,030
Other	92,475	-	17,845	110,320

	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Total	<u>330,505</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>17,845</u>	<u>348,350</u>

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**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
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10. Comparatives for the statement of financial activities - continued

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	Endowment fund £	Total funds £
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	(9,165)	-	(10,610)	(19,775)
Reconciliation of funds				
Total funds brought forward	371,811	259,178	238,809	869,798
Total funds carried forward	<u>362,646</u>	<u>259,178</u>	<u>228,199</u>	<u>850,023</u>

11. Tangible fixed assets

	Freehold property £	Fixtures and fittings £	Computer equipment £	Totals £
Cost				
At 1st January 2024 and 31st December 2024	<u>320,125</u>	<u>48,454</u>	<u>2,623</u>	<u>371,202</u>
Depreciation				
At 1st January 2024	-	35,270	2,623	37,893
Charge for year	<u>-</u>	<u>4,845</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,845</u>
At 31st December 2024	<u>-</u>	<u>40,115</u>	<u>2,623</u>	<u>42,738</u>
Net book value				
At 31st December 2024	<u>320,125</u>	<u>8,339</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>328,464</u>
At 31st December 2023	<u>320,125</u>	<u>13,184</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>333,309</u>

12. Debtors: amounts falling due within one year

	2024 £	2023 £
Trade debtors	90,663	14,421
Other debtors	-	(200)
Amounts owing between funds	-	83,306
Prepayments and accrued income	-	(15,000)
Prepayments	<u>7,354</u>	<u>2,077</u>
	<u>98,017</u>	<u>84,604</u>

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**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
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13. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2024	2023
	£	£
Bank loans and overdrafts (see note 14)	103,629	4,403
Trade creditors	3,424	8,519
Other creditors	89,432	88,188
	<u>196,485</u>	<u>101,110</u>

14. Loans

An analysis of the maturity of loans is given below:

	2024	2023
	£	£
Amounts falling due within one year on demand:		
Bank overdrafts	<u>103,629</u>	<u>4,403</u>

15. Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted fund	Restricted fund	Endowment fund	2024 Total funds	2023 Total funds
	£	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets	8,339	320,125	-	328,464	333,309
Current assets	360,629	24,667	354,608	739,904	617,824
Current liabilities	<u>(301)</u>	<u>(85,614)</u>	<u>(110,570)</u>	<u>(196,485)</u>	<u>(101,110)</u>
	<u>368,667</u>	<u>259,178</u>	<u>244,038</u>	<u>871,883</u>	<u>850,023</u>

16. Movement in funds

	At 1/1/24	Net movement in funds	At 31/12/24
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	362,646	6,021	368,667
Restricted funds			
Restricted Fund	259,178	-	259,178
Endowment funds			
Endowment	228,199	15,839	244,038
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>850,023</u>	<u>21,860</u>	<u>871,883</u>

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16. Movement in funds - continued

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	331,386	(325,365)	6,021
Endowment funds			
Endowment	25,438	(9,599)	15,839
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>356,824</u>	<u>(334,964)</u>	<u>21,860</u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1/1/23 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31/12/23 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	371,811	(9,165)	362,646
Restricted funds			
Restricted Fund	259,178	-	259,178
Endowment funds			
Endowment	238,809	(10,610)	228,199
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>869,798</u>	<u>(19,775)</u>	<u>850,023</u>

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	321,340	(330,505)	(9,165)
Endowment funds			
Endowment	7,235	(17,845)	(10,610)
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>328,575</u>	<u>(348,350)</u>	<u>(19,775)</u>

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16. Movement in funds - continued

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1/1/23 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31/12/24 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	371,811	(3,144)	368,667
Restricted funds			
Restricted Fund	259,178	-	259,178
Endowment funds			
Endowment	238,809	5,229	244,038
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TOTAL FUNDS	<u>869,798</u>	<u>2,085</u>	<u>871,883</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	652,726	(655,870)	(3,144)
Endowment funds			
Endowment	32,673	(27,444)	5,229
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TOTAL FUNDS	<u>685,399</u>	<u>(683,314)</u>	<u>2,085</u>

17. Related party disclosures

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31st December 2024.

18. Financial instruments

	2022 £	2021 £
Carrying amount of financial assets		
Debt instruments measured at amortised cost	(806)	3,838
Carrying amount of financial liabilities		
Measured at amortised cost	4,615	4,900

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**Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
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	2024	2023
	£	£
Income and endowments		
Donations and legacies		
Non gift aid donation & Grants	26,426	40,741
Donations	156,076	124,173
Collection at Services	12,463	20,996
Donated services and facilities	<u>33,774</u>	<u>32,298</u>
	228,739	218,208
Other trading activities		
Fundraising events	101,559	97,539
Investment income		
Interest receivable - trading	15,848	10,333
Charitable activities		
Sales within charitable activity	<u>10,678</u>	<u>2,495</u>
Total incoming resources	356,824	328,575
Expenditure		
Other trading activities		
Charitable Expenditure	55,118	79,969
Wages	170,189	129,834
Pensions	6,570	23,382
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	<u>4,845</u>	<u>4,845</u>
	236,722	238,030
Other		
Other Expenditure	<u>98,242</u>	<u>110,320</u>
Total resources expended	<u>334,964</u>	<u>348,350</u>
Net income/(expenditure)	<u><u>21,860</u></u>	<u><u>(19,775)</u></u>