

# ELWORTH METHODIST CHURCH

England & Wales - Charity number 1175469

## Details

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**Other names** ELWORTH MOUNT PLEASANT METHODIST CHURCH

**Status** Registered

**Legal form** Other

**Registered** 2017-10-31

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

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## Activities

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**Objects:** THE PURPOSES OF THE METHODIST CHURCH ARE AND SHALL HAVE DEEMED TO HAVE BEEN SINCE THE DATE OF THE 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:** We hold a weekly Sunday morning service, Communion once a month and an afternoon tea service once a quarter. We provide facilities for people to come for lunch, keep fit and social groups We support local and national charities. We are involved with the local community and have a coffee lounge for community and charity use. We have good disabled access to all rooms

## Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Religious Activities, Recreation, Other Charitable Purposes
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, The General Public/mankind

## Geography

- Cheshire East

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-08-31	£37,706	£34,371	-	-
2024-08-31	£37,256	£36,938	-	-
2023-08-31	£34,581	£28,931	-	-
2022-08-31	£32,390	£36,582	-	-
2021-08-31	£16,544	£27,352	-	-

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
ALISON JANET BAILEY		2015-06-06
CATHERINE LEAH WILKINSON		1980-03-03
Elsbeth Tolmie		2015-10-12
JEAN ELLERSHAW		1982-01-01
JENNIFER ROSE BROAD		1985-04-05
PATRICIA MARY JONES		1984-07-03
William Roger Hunt		2015-10-12

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# Accounts

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## Elworth Methodist Church Report 2024-2025

This year, Elworth Methodist Church has continued to work within the community, by providing a 'warm place' for people to come, enjoy a meal and seek companionship and help when needed. This has brought new friends to join our church family, which includes all who meet for whatever reason on the premises. Many who attend our events and activities do so regularly and for those who live on their own, we hope that we are playing our part in reducing any sense of isolation and loneliness.

All activities held in the church are open to everyone and payment for any activity is by donation, thus ensuring that nobody is restricted from access to any of our events. This continues to be one of the most important decisions made years ago. We have been fortunate to be able to continue to follow that plan and still meet our yearly expenditure despite an increase in costs, thanks to the dedication of church members willing to give of their time and energy each week.

Working with the community has a high place in our regular weekly activities. We are open every Sunday morning for worship, four days a week for serving refreshments, keeping one day for other activities or for use by other charity organisations. The monthly quiz nights and walking group continue to attract people from church and local community, and both groups have thrived this year. Our income is supported through a small number of room hires during the week – for U3A groups, yoga sessions, etc.

We have continued this year to work in partnership with local supermarkets to challenge food waste and have regular times throughout the week where the community can come and collect a wide range of surplus supermarket foods. Small quantities of food have also been grown in the church allotment and they, too, have been used to contribute to the many meals we provide.

We continue to work together with the local park committee and the station committee. In November 2024, we were, as always, responsible for the village Remembrance service at the local War Memorial. In December 2024, we provided refreshments following the community "Carols in the Park" event and at Easter 2025, we organised a community Easter Egg hunt in the park.

On the weekend of Remembrance Sunday, through a community breakfast and through offerings on the Sunday, we supported the British Legion and Help for Heroes. Other charities supported during the year included the Christmas shoe box appeal and Action for children.

We have continued to care for church members now housebound or in care homes through our pastoral visiting system and in the last 12 months have celebrated the baptisms of three children.

When possible we have been able to support residents at our neighbouring Approved premises with people released from prison who stay for a short period of time before moving on to other accommodation.

Our aim is to continue to be a Christian presence in the local community, working to bring people together for social events and, where needed, to give support and help.

**THE METHODIST CHURCH  
STANDARD FORM OF ACCOUNTS**

<b>Elworth Methodist Church</b>	<b>Church</b>
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FOR THE YEAR ENDED  
Sunday, August 31, 2025

<b>Cheshire South</b>	<b>Circuit</b>	<b>Circuit no.</b>	<b>11</b>
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<b>Registered Charity - Charity Registration number</b>	1175469
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If not a registered charity <b>His Majesty's Revenue and Customs Gift Aid number</b>	
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(The HMRC number is equivalent to a registered charity number in terms of evidence of charitable status and may be used to give to donors or grant funders wishing to see evidence of the organisation's charitable status. Methodist charities in England and Wales that are not registered charities are excepted from registration under Statutory Instrument 2014 No.242)

Minister:

REV'd CAROLYN LAWRANCE
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Church Stewards:

PATRICIA JONES
CATHERINE WILKINSON
ALISON BAILEY

Treasurer:

JEAN ELLERSHAW
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SECTION A		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
		£	£	£	£
a1	<b>RECEIPTS</b>	<b>Note</b>			
a2	Offerings and Tax recovered	12,648		12,648	14,724
a3	Bank and CFB interest and Investment income	580		580	619
a4	Lettings	3,278		3,278	2,230
a5	Other receipts	21,200		21,200	19,684
a6	<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<b>37,706</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>37,706 (a7)</b>	<b>37,257</b>

SECTION B		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
		£	£	£	£
b1	<b>PAYMENTS</b>				
b2	Circuit Assessment or Share	13,540		13,540	13,661
b3	Donations	400		400	555
b4	Repairs and Maintenance	1,532		1,532	2,370
b5	Utilities (Insurances, water charges, heating & lighting)	12,988		12,988	14,476
b6				0	
b7	Other payments	5,911		5,911	5,876
b8	<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>	<b>34,371</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>34,371 (b9)</b>	<b>36,938</b>

SECTION C		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
		£	£	£	£
c1	<b>NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR</b>	<b>(a6-b8)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3,335</b>	<b>319</b>
c2	Total funds brought forward from last year	21,190		21,190 (c6)	20,871
c3	<b>Sub total</b>	<b>(c1+c2)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>24,525</b>	<b>21,190</b>
c4	Transfers and adjustments			0 (c7)	
c5	<b>TOTAL FUNDS AT END OF YEAR</b>	<b>(c3+c4)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>24,525 (c8)</b>	<b>21,190 (c6)</b>

SECTION D		£	£
<b>FOR INFORMATION ONLY: MONEY RECEIVED AND PASSED ON TO EXTERNAL ORGANISATIONS</b>			
d	<b>(these amounts are not to be included in total receipts/payments figures above)</b>		
d1	Balance brought forward from last year	0	0
d2	Offerings/Gifts - received for external organisations	648	773
d3	Offerings/Gifts - passed to external organisations	648	773
d4	<b>BALANCE STILL TO BE PAID</b>	<b>(d1+d2-d3)</b>	<b>0</b>

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

**SECTION E** Please follow the Guidance Notes to complete this page

Summary of the Church accounts for the year ended 31 August 2025 and Internal Organisations reporting to the Church Council/Church Meeting. Note that the funds of an Internal Organisation would normally be Restricted funds unless it could be clearly shown that they could be used for any Methodist purpose. This section must be completed to arrive at the gross income and expenditure totals of the Church. If gross income exceeds the Accruals threshold, then the Accruals method of accounting AND A DIFFERENT FORM must be used to report the accounts (see Methodist website). Please refer to the guidance notes regarding transfers between the District and connected District Organisations.

INTERNAL ORGANISATIONS	Receipts	Payments	Net Receipts/ Payments	Adjustments	Opening balances	Closing balances
e1			0			0
e2			0			0
e3			0			0
e4			0			0
e5			0			0
e6			0			0
e7			0			0
e8	0	0	0	0	0 (e11)	0 (e12)
e9	37,706 (a7)	34,371 (b9)	3,335	(c7)	21,190 (c6)	24,525 (c8)
e10	<b>37,706</b>	<b>34,371</b>	<b>3,335</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>21,190 (x)</b>	<b>24,525 (y)</b>
	<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>				

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 2025**

	OPENING BALANCES	CLOSING BALANCES
f1	0	65
f2		
f3	9,853	13,150
f4	11,337	11,310
f5		
f6		
f7	<b>21,190 (c6)</b>	<b>24,525 (c8)</b>
f8	0 (e11)	0 (e12)
f9	<b>21,190 (x)</b>	<b>24,525 (y)</b>

**SECTION G**

**OTHER ASSETS and LIABILITIES**

	At 1 September 2024	At 31 August 2025
g1		
g2	2,498,813	2,563,791
g3		
g4		
g5		

f4 Include only Funds held at the Central Finance Board

f5 Include only Funds held at Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes

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

Name of Church ... ELWORTH METHODIST CHURCH ..... No 11 .....


**Independent Examiner's Statement**

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

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

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

I have/~~have not~~ obtained independent verification of all investments with the Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes or held in other trusts, bank balances and funds at the Central Finance Board of the Methodist Church which are individually in excess of £10,000 (ten thousand pounds) at the balance sheet date.

Signature of independent examiner .....  .....

Name of independent examiner ..... LOUISE PASK .....

Relevant professional qualification of independent examiner Company Director (RETIRED) .....

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

Address ..... 36 WESLEY AVENUE, ALSAGER .....

..... Post Code ST7 2NG

Date ..... 27<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2025 .....

\* delete or circle as appropriate

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# Accounts

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## Elworth Methodist Church Report 2023 – 24

Our church has developed its work within the community through becoming a 'warm place' for people to come and have a meal and seek companionship and help when needed. This has brought new friends to join our church family.

Our family includes all who meet for whatever reason the premises and has given us the opportunity to get to know people's needs.

All activities held in the church are open to everyone and payment for any activity is by donation thus ensuring that nobody is restricted from access to any of our events. This continues to be one of the most important decisions made years ago and we have been fortunate to be able to continue to follow that plan and still meet our yearly expenditure despite an increase in costs and thanks to the dedication of church members willing to give of their time and energy each week.

Working with the community has a high place in our regular weekly activities and we are open on Sunday for worship, 4 days a week for refreshments and keep one day for other activities or for use by other charity organisations.

We are working together with local supermarkets to challenge food waste and have regular times throughout the week where the community can come and collect a wide range of surplus supermarket foods.

We have also taken a small part of our land for an allotment which provides small quantities of food for the many meals we provide.

There are monthly quiz nights and a monthly walking group both of which involve local people and which have grown in number this year.

We continue to be responsible for the village Remembrance service in November and support both the British Legion and Help for heroes at this time.

Other charities supported include the Christmas shoe box appeal and Action for children.

We continue to work together with the local park committee and the station committee.

When possible we are able to support residents at our neighbouring Approved premises with people released from prison who stay for a short period of time before moving on to other accommodation.

Fund raising events included a display based on the books of Roald Dahl and Beatrix Potter which proved to be very successful and a popular Easter egg hunt.

Our aim is to continue to work across the community bringing people together for social events and where needed support and help.

Jean Ellershaw

ELWORTH  
METHODIST CHURCH,  
ACCOUNTS FOR 2023 / 24

	<u>b/fwd</u>	<u>income ( + transfers)</u>	<u>expenditure ( + transfers)</u>
GENERAL FUND	17973.91	37053.49	36722.03
BENEVOLENCE FUND	200.00	0.00	0.00
GENERAL REPAIRS FUND	2697.61	203.23	216.00
	<u>20871.52</u>	<u>37256.72</u>	<u>36938.03</u>
FOR OTHER ORGANISATIONS	0	773.50	773.50

**BANK RECONCILIATION FOR FUNDS HELD 31st August 2024**

NAT WEST	10156.06	-303.50 unpresented cheques	
cash in hand			9852.56
C.F.B. No 1			0.00
C.F.B. No 2			7254.66
			4082.99
			<u>21190.21</u>

ELWORTH  
METHODIST CHURCH,  
ACCOUNTS FOR 2023 / 24

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ACCOUNTS FOR 2023 / 24

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GENERAL FUND  
2023/24

<u>RECEIPTS</u>		2023/24	2022 / 23	<u>PAYMENTS</u>		2023/24	2022 / 23
<b>Balance brought forward</b>		<b>17973.91</b>	11164.04	<b>Circuit assessment</b>		<b>13661.04</b>	8913.96
<b>Offerings</b>	Collections	<b>11059.52</b>	10271.80	<b>Donations</b>	Gen Prop Fund	<b>200.00</b>	200.00
	Gift Aid	<b>2099.40</b>	1764.00		Presbyters & Deacons	<b>200.00</b>	200.00
	<b>GASDS</b>	<b>1564.77</b>	1534.98		Christmas shoe boxes	<b>30.00</b>	35.00
<b>Donations</b>	Tuesday	<b>4439.26</b>	4836.04		World Mission fund	<b>62.50</b>	98.65
	Other income	<b>869.99</b>	370.75		Mission in Britain	<b>62.50</b>	63.10
	Badminton	<b>50.00</b>	120.00	<b>Repairs/ Mainten.</b>	Boiler service	<b>433.80</b>	401.40
	Quiz	<b>471.42</b>	232.15		Pianos	<b>130.00</b>	65.00
<b>Interest</b>	CFB 1	<b>246.31</b>	86.04		Organ	<b>390.00</b>	378.00
	Nat West Bank	<b>169.13</b>	82.90		Fire extinguishers annual checks	<b>86.40</b>	80.40
<b>Lettings</b>	Room hire	<b>2230.00</b>	2010.00		Fire alarms annual checks	<b>182.40</b>	86.40
	Coffee lounge	<b>6855.54</b>	5696.59		Emergency lights annual checks	<b>61.80</b>	0.00
<b>Other receipts</b>	Breakfasts	<b>1160.47</b>	1019.90		PAT test	<b>0.00</b>	0.00
	Sale of goods	<b>786.80</b>	439.55		General maintenance expenses	<b>869.40</b>	257.96
	* Special events	<b>4540.88</b>	5390.76	<b>Utilities</b>	Gas	<b>5399.92</b>	3407.74
	Wedding & funeral fees	<b>410.00</b>	0.00		Electricity	<b>6212.56</b>	4601.09
	World Mission	<b>50.00</b>	0.00		Water	<b>505.67</b>	431.90
	Home Mission	<b>50.00</b>	0.00		Church Insurance	<b>2358.10</b>	2293.30
	Presentation gift	<b>0.00</b>	130.00	<b>Other payments</b>	Photocopier rental & paper	<b>432.00</b>	481.17
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>55027.40</b>	45149.50		Stationery, printing & postage	<b>74.81</b>	90.64
					Catering	<b>4121.99</b>	4336.94
	Special events				Wedding & funerals	<b>100.00</b>	0.00
	harvest lunch	184.00			* Other expenses	<b>1147.14</b>	622.94
	Under the sea	1084.46			Presentation gift	<b>0.00</b>	130.00
	Carols - afternoon tea	145.00		<b>sub total</b>		<b>36722.03</b>	27175.59
	Christmas lunch	507.00		<b>Balance carried forward</b>		<b>18305.37</b>	17973.91
	Raffles & Lucky square	526.50		<b>total</b>		<b>55027.40</b>	45149.50
	Burns' night	789.50					
	Pizza & quiz night	115.00			<b>*other expenses</b>		
	Christmas sales table / refresh.	170.75			website	77.85	
	Mary's talk	54.02			ccli	288.72	
	Easter lunch	140.00			wreath	20.00	
	Hunt the rabbits	80.00			Cleaning materials	133.65	
	Sunday coffee	404.65			Banners	170.00	
	Catering	300.00			Crockery	433.92	
	ACM lunch	40.00			Hope magazines	13.00	
		<b>4540.88</b>			keys	10.00	
						1147.14	

2023/24

<b><u>BENEVOLENCE FUND</u></b>	<b><u>INCOME</u></b>		<b><u>EXPENDITURE</u></b>	
Brought forward	200.00		Bal in hand	200.00
	<u>200.00</u>			<u>200.00</u>

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**COLLECTIONS FOR OTHER ORGANISATIONS**

Help for Heroes	330.00	Help for Heroes	330.00
British Legion	105.00	British Legion	105.00
Action for children	100.00	Action for children	100.00
Easter offering	60.00	Easter offering	60.00
All We Can	178.50	All we can	178.50
	<u>total</u>	<b>bal in hand</b>	0.00
	773.50		<u>773.50</u>

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**REPAIR FUND**

<b><u>General repairs</u></b>	<b><u>Income</u></b>		<b><u>Expenditure</u></b>
Bt Fwd	2697.61	Cheshire drains	216.00
CFB2 interest	203.23	<b>Bal in hand</b>	2684.84
	<u>2900.84</u>		<u>2900.84</u>

ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

SECTION A		This year's amount to the nearest £	Last year's amount to the nearest £
	Note	£	£
a1	RECEIPTS		
a2	Offerings and Tax recovered	14,724	13,571
a3	Bank and CFB interest & investment income	619	299
a4	Lettings	2,230	2,010
a5	Other receipts	19,684	18,701
a6	<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<b>37,267</b>	<b>34,881</b>
SECTION B			
b1	PAYMENTS		
b2	Circuit Assessment or Share	13,661	8,814
b3	Donations	555	697
b4	Repairs and Maintenance	2,370	1,644
b5	Utilities (Insurances, water charges, heating & lighting)	14,478	10,734
b6	Other payments	5,678	7,042
b7	<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>	<b>36,938</b>	<b>28,931</b>
SECTION C			
c1	<b>NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR</b> (a6 - b7)	<b>319</b>	<b>5,650</b>
c2	Total funds brought forward from last year	20,871 (c7)	15,221
c3	<b>TOTAL FUNDS AT END OF YEAR</b> (c1 + c2)	<b>21,190</b>	<b>20,871 (c7)</b>
c4	State here the total of any other assets of the Church		
c5	State here the total of any liabilities of the Church		
c6	State here the insured value of the Church premises and contents	2,468,813	2,426,034
SECTION D ANALYSIS OF FUNDS			
d1	Balances held at TMCP at 31 August		
d2	Balances held at CFB at 31 August	11,337	9,549
d3	Bank and cash balances at 31 August - 10,166 minus £303.50 unrepresented cheques	8,883	11,322
d4	<b>TOTAL (= Box c3)</b>	<b>21,190</b>	<b>20,871</b>
SECTION E			
<b>FOR INFORMATION ONLY: MONEY RECEIVED AND PASSED ON TO EXTERNAL ORGANISATIONS</b>			
(these amounts are not to be included in total receipts/payments figures above)			
e1	Balance brought forward from last year	0	0
e2	Offerings/Gifts - received for external organisations	773	537
e3	Offerings/Gifts - passed to external organisations	773	537
e4	<b>BALANCE STILL TO BE PAID</b> (e1+e2-e3)	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

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Signature of independent examiner ..... 

Name of independent examiner ..... ROGER PARK

Relevant professional qualification of independent examiner COMPANY DIRECTOR (RETIRED)

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

Address ..... 36 WESLEY AVENUE, ALSAGER

..... Post Code ST7 2NG

Date ..... 15<sup>th</sup> November 2024

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**ELWORTH METHODIST CHURCH**

England & Wales - Charity number 1175469

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# Accounts

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## **Elworth Methodist Church Annual report 2022 – 2023**

We have had a greater opportunity this year to build on our work within the community as a greater use has been made of the new coffee lounge which was re-opened after the end of the Covid lockdown.

Alongside regular visitors there has been a more positive interest in the activities that happen by the local community.

As well as providing a warm space and refreshments we have included various activities e.g. craft, quiz, board games, nostalgia afternoons which are all open to everyone.

There are monthly quiz evenings and a monthly local walking group.

We continue to make all our events open to everyone with payments by donation .

Despite a vast increase in the cost of utilities members have worked together to raise the necessary funds to meet our expenses. Events have been varied and included this year an artistic representation of a local story – The Moston Dragon.

We have worked together with the local station committee and with the local park committee including a joint Christmas event with carols in the park followed by refreshments at the church.

Our annual Remembrance service was well attended and over that weekend we were able to send financial support to Help for Heroes & The British legion poppy appeal.

At Christmas we supported 'Action for children' charity and the 'Christmas shoe box' appeal.

We have continued to support Sandbach food bank with our harvest donations.

The weekly newsletter is now reaching members of the local community as well as church members giving information about events being held and offering a warm welcome to all.

Sunday mornings offer a variety of styles of worship and there have been occasional afternoon tea services.

Our aim is to continue to build on our work in the community.

Jean Ellershaw

ELWORTH  
METHODIST CHURCH,  
ACCOUNTS FOR 2022 / 23

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 FOR OTHER ORGANISATIONS	 0	 537	 537

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C.F.B. No 2	3879.76
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Brought forward	200.00	Bal in hand	200.00
	<u>200.00</u>		<u>200.00</u>

REPAIR FUND

<u>General repairs</u>	<u>Income</u>		<u>Expenditure</u>
Bt Fwd	3857.31	Dishwasher	1379.99
Scrap metal -dishwasher	20.00	KAB - skylight	375.00
Harvest lunch	185.00	Bal in hand	2697.61
Pizza & pasta	140.00		<u>4452.60</u>
Craft afternoon	120.00		
CFB2 interest	130.29		
	<u>4452.60</u>		

COLLECTIONS FOR OTHER ORGANISATIONS

Help for Heroes	260.00	Help for Heroes	260.00
British Legion	100.00	British Legion	100.00
Action for children	67.00	Action for children	67.00
Easter offering	40.00	Easter offering	40.00
Brain tumour research	70.00	Brain tumour research	70.00
	<u>total</u>	bal in hand	0.00
	<u>537.00</u>		<u>537.00</u>

Name of Church .. ELWORTH METHODIST CHURCH

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Signature of independent examiner ..... *[Handwritten Signature]*

Name of independent examiner ..... ROGER PASK

Relevant professional qualification of independent examiner ..... COMPANY DIRECTOR (RETIRED)

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

Address ..... 36 WESLEY AVENUE, ALSAGER

..... Post Code ..... ST 7 2NG

Date ..... 11 OCTOBER 2023

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Elworth Methodist church

Church

Church - Short Form

ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 August 2023

SECTION A		This year's amount to the nearest £	Last year's amount to the nearest £
RECEIPTS	Note	£	£
Offerings and Tax recovered		13,571	13,489
Bank and CFB Interest & investment income		299	29
Lettings		2,010	1,335
Other receipts		18,701	16,446
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>		<b>34,581</b>	<b>31,309</b>
SECTION B		This year's amount to the nearest £	Last year's amount to the nearest £
PAYMENTS	Note	£	£
Circuit Assessment or Share		8,914	11,885
Donations		597	1,470
Repairs and Maintenance		1,644	10,306
Utilities (Insurances, water charges, heating & lighting)		10,734	7,647
Other payments		7,042	4,185
<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>	0	<b>28,931</b>	<b>35,493</b>
SECTION C		This year's amount to the nearest £	Last year's amount to the nearest £
<b>NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR</b>	(a6 - b7)	5,650	(4,192)
Total funds brought forward from last year		15,221 (c7)	19,413
<b>TOTAL FUNDS AT END OF YEAR</b>	(c1 + c2)	<b>20,871</b>	<b>15,221 (c7)</b>
State here the total of any other assets of the Church			
State here the total of any liabilities of the Church			
State here the insured value of the Church premises and contents		2,426,034	
SECTION D ANALYSIS OF FUNDS		This year's amount to the nearest £	Last year's amount to the nearest £
Balances held at TMCP at 31 August			
Balances held at CFB at 31 August		9,549	6,246
Bank and cash balances at 31 August		11,322	8,975
<b>TOTAL (= Box c3)</b>		<b>20,871</b>	<b>15,221</b>
SECTION E		This year's amount to the nearest £	Last year's amount to the nearest £
<b>FOR INFORMATION ONLY: MONEY RECEIVED AND PASSED ON TO EXTERNAL ORGANISATIONS</b>			
(these amounts are not to be included in total receipts/payments figures above)			
Balance brought forward from last year		0	0
Offerings/Gifts - received for external organisations		537	499
Offerings/Gifts - passed to external organisations		537	499
<b>BALANCE STILL TO BE PAID</b>	(e1+e2-e3)	0	0

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## **Elworth Methodist Church Annual report 2021 - 2022**

This year gave us the opportunity to renew the work we were doing before and during the pandemic.

Groups were able to open up again and we have been able to offer warm spaces to people struggling with their energy bills.

The new coffee lounge has begun to build on new and good relationships with the local community and also been a place where visitors to the local park and railway station have been able to call in for refreshments and a chat.

A new supported living house is to be opened across from the lounge and we have met with the new owners and manager who feel that our premises will be a welcoming place for the residents.

We also continue to have good relationships with members at the approved hostel next door to the church.

We are working together with the local park committee on joint ventures throughout the year .

In December we were able to offer a craft morning to make lanterns ready for a carol service in the park that evening and then welcomed people across to the church for coffee & mine pies.

We have continued to join together with the local council to provide a service of Remembrance at the local war memorial in November and we have been able to continue with our support for the British legion and Help for heroes.

We have supported Sandbach Food bank and a local pantry.

Along with everyone else our greatest challenge over the year has been a vast increase in our utility bills but despite this we continue to make all our events , which are open to everyone, to be payment by donation. There is never a set charge for anything.

As yet we are unable to accept card payments in the coffee lounge but this does not stop us from offering a free coffee /cake to people who are unaware of the situation. In fact it has often given us an opening to share our church work and ideals.

All members and friends continue to receive a weekly newsletter which has been really appreciated.

We gather each Sunday morning for worship with a variety of styles of service and all are welcome.

Jean Ellershaw

ELWORTH  
METHODIST CHURCH,  
ACCOUNTS FOR 2021 / 22

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<b>BENEVOLENCE FUND</b>	<b>200.00</b>	0.00	0.00
<b>GENERAL REPAIRS FUND</b>	<b>5941.08</b>	6348.98	8432.75
<b>PROJECT FUND</b>	<b>1090.22</b>	0.00	1090.22
	<u><b>19413.12</b></u>	<u>32390.89</u>	<u>36582.66</u>
 <b>FOR OTHER ORGANISATIONS</b>	 <b>0</b>	 499.00	 499.00

**BANK RECONCILIATION FOR FUNDS HELD 31st August 2022**

<b>Nat west current</b>			155.00
Natwest reserve	8994.05	-174.48 unpresented cheque	8819.57
cash in hand			0
<b>C.F.B. No 1</b>			2497.31
<b>C.F.B. No 2</b>			3749.47
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GENERAL FUND  
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<u>RECEIPTS</u>	<u>2021 / 22</u>	<u>2020 / 21</u>	<u>PAYMENTS</u>	<u>2021 / 22</u>	<u>2020 / 21</u>
<b>Balance brought forward</b>	<b>12181.82</b>	16408.16	<b>Circuit assessment</b>	<b>11885.04</b>	11999.70
<b>Offerings</b>	<b>10215.10</b>	11148.50	<b>Donations</b>	<b>200.00</b>	200.00
	Collection	2113.40		Gen Prop Fund	200.00
	Gift Aid	6.00		Presbyters & Deacons	200.00
<b>Donations</b>	<b>2.60</b>	0.00		Meth fund for pensions	1000.00
	Sunday	0.00		Christmas shoe boxes	70.00
	Tuesday	0.00	<b>Repairs/ Maintena</b>	Boiler service	409.80
	Other donations.	427.00		Pianos	120.00
	Takeaways	2662.50		Organ	366.00
	Sale	0.00		Fire extinguishers annual checks	80.40
	Sponsored run	0.00		Fire alarms annual checks	172.80
	Badminton	0.00		Emergency lights annual checks	117.60
	Quiz	0.00		General maintenance expenses	606.12
<b>Special collections</b>	<b>0.00</b>	30.00	<b>Utilities</b>	<b>2215.94</b>	1673.56
<b>Interest</b>	<b>9.97</b>	6.29		Gas	3197.36
	CFB 1	0.87		Electricity	222.68
	Nat West Bank	0.00		Water	2011.68
<b>Lettings</b>	<b>1335.00</b>	0.00	<b>Other payments</b>	<b>432.00</b>	468.40
	Room hire	0.00		Photocopier rental & paper	63.41
	Coffee lounge	0.00		Stationery, printing & postage	3083.62
<b>Other receipts</b>	<b>488.05</b>	0.00		Catering	0.00
	Breakfasts	0.00		Flowers	200.00
	World Mission	0.00		Wedding & funerals	405.24
	Home Mission	0.00		* Other expenses	331.01
	Sale of goods	30.00	<b>sub total</b>	<b>27059.69</b>	20755.90
	Wedding & funeral fees	105.00	<b>Balance carried forward</b>	<b>11164.04</b>	12181.82
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>38223.73</b>	<b>32937.72</b>	<b>total</b>	<b>38223.73</b>	<b>32937.72</b>

<b>* other expenses</b>	
website	69.35
ccli	254.89
wreath	17.00
Cheshire East	64.00
	405.24

2021 / 22

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Brought forward	200.00	<b>Bal in hand</b>	200.00
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Help for Heroes	255.00	Help for Heroes	255.00
British Legion	100.00	British Legion	100.00
Action for children	84.00	Action for children	84.00
Easter offering	60.00	Easter offering	60.00
		bal in hand	0.00
	<u>total</u>		<u>499.00</u>
	499.00		

**REPAIR FUND**

**General repairs**

	<b><u>Income</u></b>
Bt Fwd	5941.08
transfer from project fund	1090.22
harvest lunch	210.50
funeral catering	600.00
Craft days	212.00
Christmas lunch /lucky square	451.50
Station committee bacon baps	35.00
Burns' lunch	415.00
Curry & games evening	265.00
Musical evening	433.00
Donations heat/organ/ dishwasher	1505.00
Quiz nights	159.00
Easter egg hunt	60.79
Easter lunch	151.50
Breakfasts	347.00
Scrap metal	10.35
AGM lunch	65.00
picnic boxes	302.50
Fish supper	20.00
CFB2 interest	15.62
	<b><u>12290.06</u></b>

**Building project income**

Bt Fwd	<b>1090.22</b>
	<b><u>1090.22</u></b>

**Expenditure**

KAB -Kitchen roof	6673.45
APL heating boiler repair	1159.30
Peter Spencer - organ	600.00
Bal in hand	3857.31
	<b><u>12290.06</u></b>

**Project expenses**

Transfer to repair fund	1090.22
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Name of independent examiner ..... *ROGER PASK* .....

Relevant professional qualification of independent examiner *COMPANY DIRECTOR (RETIRED)* .....

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Address ..... *36 WELLEY AVENUE, ALSAZER* .....

..... Post Code *ST7 2NG* .....

Date ..... *27 SEPTEMBER 2022* .....

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