

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST. PETER BROCKLEY

England & Wales · Charity number 1180277

Details

Other names	ST. PETER'S BROCKLEY PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL
Status	Registered
Legal form	Other
Registered	2018-10-11
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

Contact

Address	St. Peters Church Wickham Road London SE4 1LT
Phone	07762184654
Email	admin@stpetersbrockley.org.uk
Website	www.stpetersbrockley.org.uk

Activities

Objects: PROMOTING IN THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH THE WHOLE MISSION OF THE CHURCH.

Activities: Promoting in the ecclesiastical parish the whole mission of the Church.

Classification

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

Geography

- Lewisham

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-12-31	£806,254	£757,301	£127,077	15
2024-12-31	£776,182	£727,853	£78,123	14
2023-12-31	£660,734	£720,171	£29,794	10
2022-12-31	£585,462	£590,346	£89,231	13
2021-12-31	£380,848	£382,287	-	-
2020-12-31	£362,629	£350,867	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Benjamin Mark Jones	Chair	2018-06-11
Casey Jones		2026-04-27
Colin Richard Plant		2009-04-19
Francesca Marie Kathleen Bignoux		2024-04-28
Jesse-Steve Amartey		2025-04-26
Joel Soares		2022-09-09
John Shiels Kyle		2025-04-26
LYNNE SUSAN WILKINSON		2015-05-15
Leilani Esther Champagnie		2025-04-26
MARTIN BEARD		2024-04-28
Nita Rogers		2021-05-23
Oluseyi Samuel Olusile		2024-04-28
Stephanie Nkeiruka Uraih		2024-04-28

Accounts



ST PETER'S
BROCKLEY



ANNUAL REPORT 2025

Approved by the PCC 10 March 2026
Registered charity no 1180277

CONTENTS

VISION AND VALUES	3
Vision	3
Mission	3
Values	3
SUNDAY	4
Sunday Morning	4
Sunday Evening	4
Kids	4
Youth	4
MINISTRY	5
Life Course	5
Discipleship Year	5
One Heart Prayer	5
Villages	6
Pastoral Care	6
Ecumenical Relationships	6
LOVE BROCKLEY	7
Connected Lives	7
Bumps and Babies	7
Little Fishes	7
Growing Hope	7
Social Supermarket	8
Christians Against Poverty (CAP) Job Club	9
Community Garden	9
Friendship Café	9
Unconditional	10
Dance	10
Rhythm	10
OPERATIONS	11
Building	11
Deanery Synod	11
Electoral Roll and Church Attendance	11
Safeguarding	12
Volunteers	12
Welcome and Hospitality	12
Governance	12
CHARITABLE GIVING	13
FINANCIAL REVIEW	14
Independent Examiner's Report	15
Statement of Financial Activity	16
Balance Sheet	17
Notes to the financial statements	18



VISION AND VALUES

VISION

To play our part in bringing heaven to South East London.

MISSION

We play our part in bringing heaven by helping one another to be with Jesus, become like him, do the things he did.

VALUES

Feels like family

Church is a diverse family where we can be fully known, unconditionally loved and become who we're created to be.

Empowered by the Spirit

We are filled, led and empowered by the Holy Spirit to partner with God in his mission.

Make Jesus known

Everything we do is an opportunity for others to experience the love and power of Jesus and find fullness of life in Him.

Freed by truth

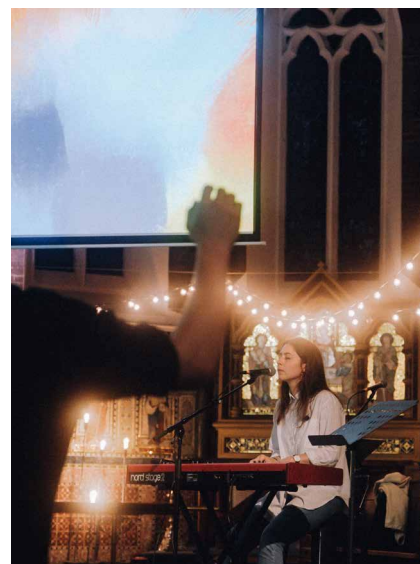
The Bible is our go to source for truth, it sets our hearts on fire and its authority in our lives leads to freedom.

Every day, not an event

Helping one another be with Jesus, become like him and do what he did, happens every day, not just Sunday.

Ambitiously local

Heaven comes everywhere we place our feet – through Villages, community ministries and by planting and grafting churches across SE London.



SUNDAY

SUNDAY MORNING

This year we outgrew our morning service so added a 9am and moved the 10.30am to 11am. Since we made this change in April the morning congregations have grown by 30% because there is more space for newcomers who show up. One person in their 20s, who grew up as an atheist, started attending after a 'supernatural' experience whilst travelling. Since coming on Sunday he has given his life to Jesus, been baptised and is being personally disciplined by someone else with a similar story. In 2026 we plan to continue to establish the two services and will look to move more people from the 11am to the 9am by potentially adding youth.

SUNDAY EVENING

Our 5pm service has grown steadily over this year, mostly with people in their 20s and 30s, and we are now consistently at 80+ every week. We have created a culture of sharing 'good news' right at the beginning of the service. These times of sharing have often stretched to over 40 minutes which is really encouraging because it shows that the culture of living out our faith every day has started to catch. Next year we are planning to create more of a sense of family by introducing newcomers drinks specifically for the 5pm crowd and encouraging more participation in serving and attending Villages.

KIDS

In 2025 we saw our Kids ministry grow to an average attendance of 80 children across our morning services, continuing to focus on 'helping one another be with Jesus, become like Jesus and do what He did'. The Easter services

and Summer Club welcomed many new friends and the October Light Party had 150 children. All these provided opportunities to share the gospel with many families in our community. 'All In' services were introduced giving older children the opportunity to share their thoughts about the current teaching theme. This has strengthened their engagement with scripture and encouraged a greater sense of belonging within the church community. We praise God for how he is working in our kids!

YOUTH

In 2025 we've seen our Youth Group go from strength to strength, thriving in so many exciting ways. We launched our monthly Friday Youth Club through which we've welcomed over 50 brand-new young people into our church building for the first time. This brings the total number of under-18s connected to St Peter's to around 80. Our weekly Sunday attendance has remained strong with between 30 and 40 young people joining us each week. This includes our core youth as well as 15-20 new faces who have come along after being invited by friends. Many of our older youth are now stepping up as leaders in the morning services and returning in the evenings to go deeper in their faith and spiritual growth. One of the most powerful parts of this year has been witnessing life-changing transformation among our young people. Two teenage girls who had previously struggled deeply with mental health and anxiety both chose to be baptised this year. Since then we've seen God at work in incredible ways - both have become confident, joyful and active members of our Youth Group.

MINISTRY

LIFE COURSE

The Life Course ran twice during the year, welcoming around 30 participants each time - some with family backgrounds in church, some simply curious, and others committed atheists. We created an open, welcoming, non-judgemental space for people to explore big life questions and all aspects of having a faith, finding belonging and experiencing transformation.

We shared our Christian perspective on purpose, spirituality and Jesus. There were many transformational stories from our time together. During the course participants encountered Jesus and experienced the love of God, sometimes in the midst of hardship and pain.

DISCIPLESHIP YEAR

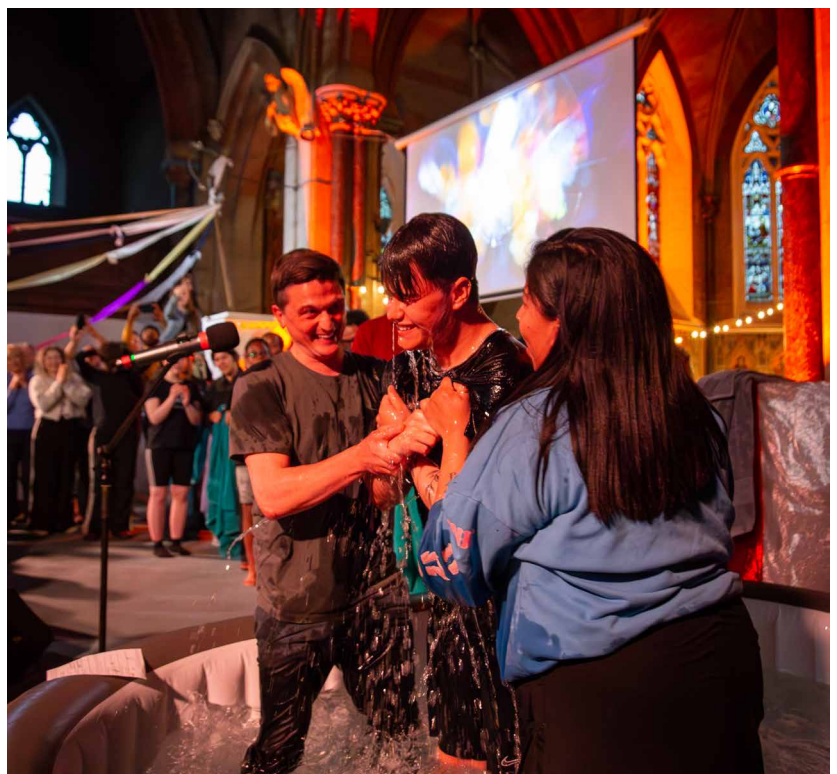
We completed our first ever Discipleship Year in the summer and launched a redesigned Discipleship Year 1 (DY1) for members of St Peter's and, for the first time, St James' Church, as well as a new Discipleship Year 2 (DY2) for future church planters and leaders. Participants have benefitted from committing to regular attendance on Sundays, active participation in their local Village, serving as part of a team, reading the bible from cover to cover in six months, supporting each other in discipleship triplets, one-to-one mentoring as well as challenging input from church leaders. Ten people

completed the first Discipleship Year, and 32 started the new DY1, with four future leaders starting DY2. There have been lots of stories of God at work in people's lives. One person, who started DY1 with a sense of their relationship with God stagnating, is now describing their relationship with God totally transformed. In 2026 we aim to extend DY2 to offer leadership development to a wider group of current and future leaders within the church, and operating in the market place.

ONE HEART PRAYER

On the first Monday of each month, between twenty and thirty members of the St Peter's Church family gathered to pray at our One Heart Prayer evenings. These evenings began with a time of worship, and we sought to allow space for the Holy Spirit to lead the way. We would usually then split into small groups to allow all an opportunity to pray. Each meeting was themed around a particular biblical theme or world event. In-line with our focus on Villages and Discipleship we have now integrated One Heart Prayer into our monthly rhythm and encourage every Village to attend on the third Wednesday of the month instead of meeting in homes. Our first couple of meetings have had over 90 turn up with really powerful times of prayer for the world, our nation, SE London and our church community.

TWO TEENAGE GIRLS WHO HAD PREVIOUSLY STRUGGLED DEEPLY WITH MENTAL HEALTH AND ANXIETY BOTH CHOSE TO BE BAPTISED THIS YEAR



VILLAGES

Villages are central to our vision to play our part to bring heaven to SE London. All Villages, by taking the presence, love and power of Jesus to all the places we live in SE London, and some Villages by becoming the basis for future church grafts and plants. We have been developing Villages to be mini church communities expressing all of our values.

The central purpose is to be 'ambitiously local', and to grow together as disciples of Jesus ('every day not an event'). We want our Village communities to be places where everyone feels like they belong ('feels like family'), where we do all things in the power of the Spirit ('empowered by the Spirit'), and led by biblical truth ('freed by truth'). And through Village Sundays we have created opportunities to 'make Jesus known' in the places where God has placed us. We increased our focus on discipleship by creating a new Village Resource, to enable discipleship conversations, in line with our values, amongst Village members.

We ended the year with thirteen Villages across the boroughs of Bromley, Lewisham, Southwark and Lambeth. Our challenge in 2026 is to grow in discipleship and numerically through smaller Villages growing and larger ones multiplying.



PASTORAL CARE

In 2025 we saw continued excellence in the care of our members through Villages. The leaders and members of the Villages have looked after people through births, bereavements and illnesses with meal trains, phone calls and people encouraging others through hard times. We are really embedding 'feels like family' through Villages. One person going through bereavement and financial hardship has been so moved by a surprise collection that his Village took up for him and says that he's feeling for the first time that he is not alone in the world but is surrounded and supported by God's family.

We are also embedding a series of wellness courses so that people are able to work toward emotional and spiritual health:

- six-week workshops on Emotional Health for Spiritual Growth - these have been transformative for many people in areas where they have been stuck emotionally and spiritually
- a pilot workshop in Relational Skills which helped people become better listeners and identify areas in which they struggle relationally - participants found it revelatory and practical
- a course in inner-healing prayer in which people received for themselves in order to be able to incorporate a practice of healing in their own times with God and eventually to feel confident in praying with others they are looking after

We began incorporating Pastoral Teams at all Sunday Services and now have 30 people who arrive early and leave late, just taking time to chat with people and hear how they are doing. They look out for new people, those sitting alone and people they know who are struggling with something. This enables more people to look out for those in need in our church, so that church really 'feels like family'. These teams are given some training in signposting and are able to encourage people to join villages, flag up safeguarding problems and other pastoral concerns.

Going forward in 2026 we hope to add a Bereavement Course for those who have lost loved ones.

ECUMENICAL RELATIONSHIPS

In addition to regular Deanery Chapter and Forums, Ben has started to meet monthly with churches in the area with a similar vision to bring the kingdom to SE London. These meetings have been really encouraging and an increase in the number of people coming to faith across the churches is unprecedented. In 2026 we're planning to gather all our church communities together to have termly mid-week prayer evenings.



LOVE BROCKLEY

CONNECTED LIVES

Our partnership with the charity Connected Lives offers courses and activities, rooted in evidence-based research, to focus on fostering stronger connections and attachment between caregivers and children. It provides opportunities for parents to engage in open discussions about their parenting journey within a supportive setting. We also signposted couples to the Hold me Tight marriage course. We are encouraged by the positive feedback to these initiatives with participants reporting notable improvements in their relationships. Courses will continue in 2026.

BUMPS AND BABIES

Bumps and Babies offers a nurturing environment for parents-to-be and infants on a Monday afternoon. Average attendance has been 30 babies. The session offers support with feeding from a lactation consultant and our peer support feeding team. We launched babywearing support and advice which is regularly in demand. We often welcome parents and babies who are facing crisis points in their feeding journey with a newborn. Our team offers advice, love and prayer from which parents have felt strengthened, encouraged, more confident and with hope for the future.

LITTLE FISHES

Little Fishes offers a weekly space for parents, carers and caregivers alike to experience a warm welcome, a cuppa and a safe place to play for under-5s. Throughout 2025 approximately 60 children were hosted each week during term time. This gave us regular contact with 100 families each month. Alongside play, singing and storytelling, our team regularly offer prayer, practical help and a listening ear. On a particularly busy morning, we prayed for a lady who had suffered chronic back pain for years. After receiving prayer, she was able to move without pain and left overwhelmed with joy. We look forward to next year, building on our teaching, sensory play and continuing to offer touchpoints for spiritual reflection.

GROWING HOPE

Growing Hope Brockley experienced a significant growth phase this year. Since launching counselling therapy in 2024 demand has steadily increased, along with referrals for occupational therapy, highlighting the rising need for specialist mental health support for children and young people with additional needs.

The clinic has continued to enhance and innovate its services. Besides providing direct clinical care, we have collaborated with schools, offering educational psychology-based guidance that has contributed to better educational outcomes. This year, we provided therapeutic support to 36 children, with 76% of counselling and occupational therapy goals met. Parent support groups also grew, helping to strengthen parent-child bonds and family wellbeing. A primary focus has been empowering parents and carers to effectively advocate for their children's academic, social, and emotional needs, leading to positive changes within families.

We supported the Children's Summer Club with accessibility for children with additional needs and continue to develop accessibility for children and youth at Sunday services.

Our goals include expanding support groups for parents and siblings, and deepening partnerships with families and schools to help children and young people reach their full potential.

SOCIAL SUPERMARKET

Our social supermarket has had a year of reforming as St. Peter's Brockley Community Table. In our new format we are embedding wrap-around care in order to empower people to walk toward whole-life transformation. People from Brockley and nearby neighbourhoods are able to purchase very low-cost groceries and access the help of local agencies, including Citizens' Advice Lewisham who are present each week to help them work through problems with benefits, housing, immigration and other issues. Along with the many activities and interventions offered through Love Brockley, people are signposted to external agencies so that they are helped to begin to address the underlying causes of the food insecurity they are facing.

At the weekly Community Table, social time, tea and homemade cake lead to a short worship service and Bible discussion in which people are invited to experience God's love and the Holy Spirit's comfort and hope. On the final Wednesday of each month, we gather for a delicious community lunch. Our goal is to meet the needs of people in all areas - social, spiritual, emotional and financial.



At the moment we are seeing about 50 members and 30 volunteers each week providing grocery parcels to about 75 households each week, which comes to about 220 local people being fed weekly.

One single mum, referred by a local school, is receiving groceries for herself and her five young children. She has had several meetings with Citizens' Advice Lewisham and has started attending St. Peter's on Sunday mornings. She said "When I come here, I feel like I can breathe again. I cannot tell you the relief and hope I have experienced since attending the Community Table".

We would love to see people move to the point where they are no longer reliant on emergency food assistance but instead are flourishing financially, mentally, emotionally, relationally and spiritually.

CHRISTIANS AGAINST POVERTY (CAP) JOB CLUB

The St. Peter's CAP Job Club is for individuals employment and career transitions. We welcome those who have been grappling with prolonged joblessness, facing workplace difficulties, or seeking new career pathways. It offers help with CV writing, job applications and honing interview skills, providing motivation and goal-setting support. In 2025 it ran two 7-week job clubs in spring and winter. Around 15 people attended with ages ranging from 20 to over 50 years. Over 50% of those who attended were able to find employment or voluntary work during or after the end of the courses. Strong positive feedback from course members demonstrates the value given by the job club coaches and other course members. The last group of this year was so successful it will continue to meet at a local café. Further courses are planned for 2026.

**WHEN I COME HERE,
I FEEL LIKE I CAN
BREATHE AGAIN.
I CANNOT TELL YOU
THE RELIEF AND HOPE
I HAVE EXPERIENCED**

COMMUNITY GARDEN

The Community Gardening Project has continued throughout 2025 with regular weekly sessions attracting a small core team of people on Thursday and once a month on Saturday. The enormously popular strawberry planting event drew in lots of families with children being able to paint their flower pots and take a strawberry plant to grow at home. Huge progress was made by maintaining the amazing work that Matt and Blair started as well as clearing a number of areas of weeds for planting. Plants and bulbs have been donated, as well as experienced gardeners giving their advice and teaching others. The activity has provided friendship, laughter and singing as we dig, plant, weed and water. Going forward the plan is for more planting, signs for the flowerbeds and a play area for our children.

FRIENDSHIP CAFÉ

Throughout the year the Friendship Café has had committed support and appreciation from those who have benefitted from the chance to chat and make new friends in a warm, friendly and welcoming environment. The café's 10 years of ministry has provided social opportunities for those that often feel isolated. Donations totalling £1,481 in 2025, which were given for tea, coffee & homemade cake, go to support Growing Hope Brockley.



UNCONDITIONAL

Unconditional provides vital support to individuals in the local area affected by domestic abuse, operating bimonthly during term time. A creche facility removes barriers to participation and ensures parents can access the support they need. We enhanced the format of sessions by incorporating scripture into each gathering and closing with prayer. This has been received positively by participants. Attendees have consistently expressed deep gratitude for the practical and emotional support they receive, with friendships continuing to blossom within the group. The combination of structured support, spiritual encouragement, and community solidarity has empowered participants as they navigate their journeys toward healing and wholeness.

DANCE

In the Dance community space we've seen more openness to prayer and crossover into other church initiatives. We have given bibles away and people are coming to church and finding Jesus for themselves. We prayed for healing for a gentleman and he came back the next week with no pain which he attributed to our prayer.

We have seen around 85 children, teenagers and adults, some of whom are new this year, regularly attending classes. 40% receive a bursary or half price places. In December we produced a full narrative dance show, telling the gospel through the Narnia story, 'The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe'. The street dancers have completed their first year of the Arts Award, studying the culture and history behind diasporic dance styles. Our vision for 2026 is to continue growing in boldness to share our faith and see more families know Jesus. We will also give as many children as possible the opportunity to take their Ballet Exams.

RHYTHM

Rhythm dance/movement worship has evolved as Chloe has taken over from Sarah. We have had beautiful Spirit-led sessions and we've seen about 10 new and returning adults per session. One lady found it to be a very poignant and healing time to help her process her mother's death, and gave her a space to hear directions on how to deal with the difficult family circumstances she was facing. The vision for next year is to see more freedom in worship in our church services as a result of Rhythm.





OPERATIONS

BUILDING

Early in 2025 it was apparent that more space was needed to accommodate our growing Kid's Church. This resulted in a second marquee being erected and work starting on the bus to provide a sensory space on Sunday for children with additional needs. Regular and on-going maintenance has remained a priority in planned building works and we have installed security cameras as part of this. Urgent works highlighted in the 2025 Quinquennial Report have been dealt with. Other works will be completed when funds become available over the quinquennial period.

DEANERY SYNOD

St. Peter's maintains active engagement with the Deptford Deanery, our local group of nine Church of England parishes, with Colin Plant as the Lay Chair. During 2025, the Deanery Forum debated a range of topics with outside speakers, including inter-generational ministry, mission and strategy, and church fundraising. The Deanery has a new Area Dean, Fr. Grant Bolton-Debbage, with plans to take the Deanery into 2026.

ELECTORAL ROLL AND CHURCH ATTENDANCE

The renewal of the Electoral Roll took place in April 2025. Members of St. Peter's were asked to re-register or register for the first time and 112 registrations were submitted. Over the course of the year attendance at Sunday morning services averaged 300 adults and 80 children, and 100 adults at the 5pm evening service. Our online live streamed services continued to see strong engagement helping us reach beyond the walls of the building.

Attendance at Easter and Christmas services was very encouraging:

- Maundy Thursday 210
- Good Friday 146
- Easter Sunday 442 adults and 234 children
- 453 people took part in the Lighting of the Star event - a significant increase from the previous year
- Saturday and Sunday evening Carol Services totalled 463
- Both Christingle morning services totalled 353 adults and 146 children

Looking ahead, we remain committed to welcoming more people into our space through our services, digital presence and community events, and hope to build on this year's momentum as we continue to seek avenues for growth and deeper engagement with the local community.

SAFEGUARDING

Following on from the self-audit the Parish Safeguarding Officer and Deputy have continued implementing best safeguarding practices at St. Peter's across all activities in the building. In addition to attendance at Sunday services there is a large number of people from the wider community attending activities during the week so up-to-date training for staff, ministry leads and volunteers is of paramount importance. When concerns arise we are ably advised and supported by the Diocesan Safeguarding Team. The work of all aspects of Love Brockley helps with identification and prevention, and support for individuals and families.

VOLUNTEERS

2025 was a year of growth and change for St Peter's with the introduction of a third service at 9am on Sunday. This growth also brought a season of reshaping. Many new volunteers stepped forward to serve, helping fill essential gaps across ministries. Some long-standing volunteers who had been faithfully serving across multiple teams were able to focus their energy on one area of ministry which has been such a positive step, allowing individuals to serve with renewed joy while also creating space for new people to join in and discover their place within the life of the church.

We are incredibly grateful for the invaluable contributions of our volunteers. Every service, programme and outreach initiative depends on their faithfulness much of which happens quietly, behind the scenes, and often unseen. Their commitment, energy, creativity and humour remain at the heart of St Peter's success and growth and we remain committed to supporting them through encouragement, training and care ensuring that each one has the opportunity to flourish and grow in their service.

WELCOME AND HOSPITALITY

With the start of three new services in April 2025, our welcome and hospitality team has grown even more. Their heart is to live out our church value of 'feels like family'. Every Sunday the team joyfully serves by greeting everyone with warmth, offering refreshments, and helping each person feel seen, valued and at home. All our volunteers have completed basic safeguarding training, ensuring that this ministry remains safe and caring for everyone. This team plays a vital role in helping people connect, build real friendships and experience the love of community each week.



GOVERNANCE

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) is a corporate body established by the Church of England, operating under the Parochial Church Council Powers Measure (1956 as amended) and the Church Representation Rules (2022). In 2018, the PCC became a charity registered with the Charity Commission for England and Wales (registered number 1180277). Membership of the PCC consists of the Incumbent, Churchwardens, Deanery Synod representatives, and elected members of the congregation who are on the electoral roll.

Churches in the Church of England are episcopally led and synodically governed. At St Peter's leadership is provided by the Leadership Team and management is undertaken by employed staff and lead volunteers. Governance is the main focus of the PCC and PCC members are also statutory trustees.

Our PCC is becoming increasingly effective in its role in governing finance, buildings and statutory compliance. There is a healthy culture of holding the Leadership Team to account in line with the vision and values of the Church. The PCC has been particularly invaluable as we navigated the financial instability of 2025 and because of their wisdom we're ending the year in a stronger financial position.

The PCC met bi-monthly, with high attendance by members.

CHARITABLE GIVING

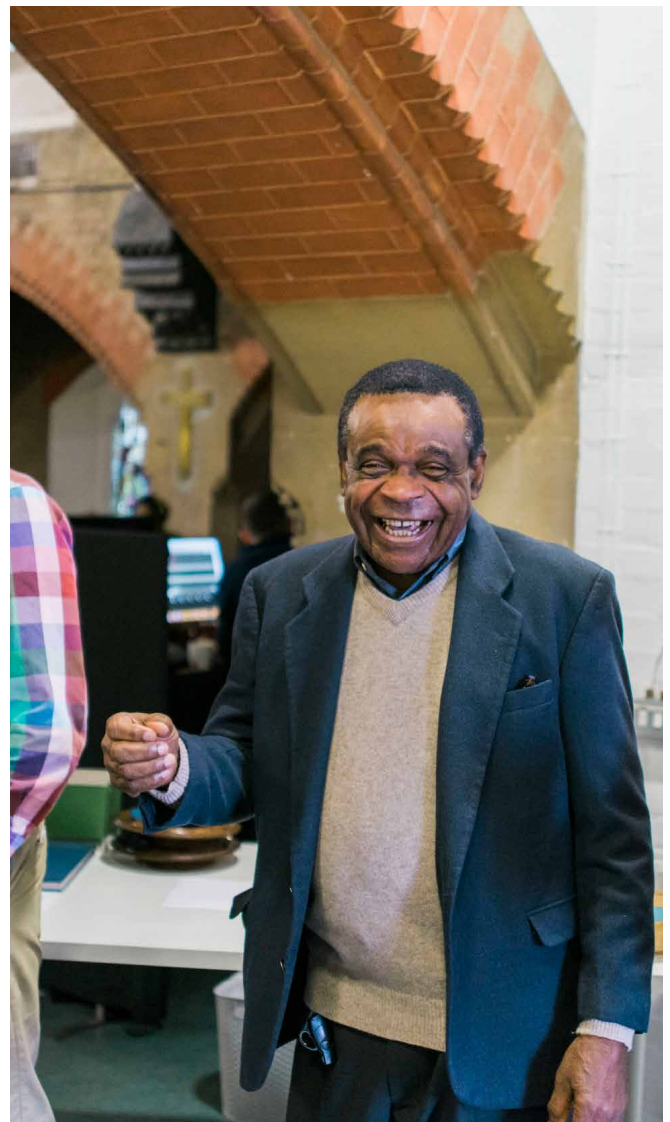
Throughout 2025, the Parochial Church Council (PCC) remained committed to supporting a range of charitable organisations and initiatives, both locally and internationally. These contributions played a vital role in extending compassion, practical aid, and opportunities to those in need. The PCC provided financial support to the following organisations:

- **Africa for Christ** – Improving lives in rural communities by providing access to clean water, medical care, and education.
- **Growing Hope** – Supporting children with additional needs and their families through free therapy services.
- **Spinnaker Trust** – Partnering with primary schools to provide Christian education and support.
- **London City Mission** – Serving the marginalised and sharing the Christian message across London.
- **Power the Fight** – Tackling youth violence through community-led initiatives and interventions.
- **The Spring** – Offering support and resources to those affected by homelessness and addiction.
- **Fountain of Peace** – Providing care and education for orphaned and vulnerable children in Uganda.
- **St. Stephen's School** – Supporting Christian education and enrichment opportunities for students.
- **Tea Deak** – Creating a space for community connection and well-being through hospitality.
- **Vinjeru School** – Enhancing educational opportunities for children in Zambia.
- **Tierra Nueva** – A community-based organisation that works alongside vulnerable people to support dignity, restoration, and long-term transformation through practical care, advocacy, and holistic support.

In addition to supporting these organisations, the PCC also provided assistance to individuals facing financial hardship. Through the Fellowship Fund, members of the church community received much-needed financial aid during difficult times. Furthermore, St. Peter's continued its commitment to serving the wider community through the social supermarket / food bank, offering essential provisions to those experiencing food insecurity.

We have partnered with Acts 435 (acts435.org.uk) this year to help support members of our congregation and our Community Table who are in need. Through the Acts 435 website we are able to refer and post the stories of individuals and families in our community who have a need not exceeding £200. People are then invited from there to donate small amounts, which will hopefully add up to the sum the person is in need of. Linda Saunders has graciously agreed to be our Acts 435 advocate. So far, we have used this tool to help families buy school uniforms and to replace broken appliances in their homes.

These contributions reflect the church's ongoing mission to serve with generosity, compassion, and faith, ensuring that both local and global communities receive the support they need.



FINANCIAL REVIEW

Total receipts **£806,254**

The total receipts consisted of:

Voluntary giving	£545,640
Gift Aid recovered	£111,197
Grants	£113,337
Other Income	£36,079

Voluntary giving increased by 1% with the number of givers increasing from 178 in January 2025 to 232 in December 2025.

Expenditure for the year has increased on previous years due to the growth in activity and needs of the local community. Total expenditure for 2025 was £757,301, including our Parish Support Fund contribution of £89,300.

The total net assets at 31 December 2025 was £127,077 of which £11,336 was restricted and £111,084 was cash balance at the bank.

RESERVES POLICY

It is the PCC's policy to try to maintain a sufficient balance in our Bank Current Account to pay for our recurring and other normal expenditures for at least three months. When necessary, additional funds are transferred from the CCLA Deposit Fund to the current account to pay for one-off larger bills.

It is our policy to invest some of our fund balances with the interest-yielding CCLA Church of England Deposit Fund. The CCLA balance as of 31 December 2025 was £58,881 and formed part of the Net Assets.

ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

St Peter's Church is situated on Wickham Road, Brockley, London SE4. It is part of the Diocese of Southwark within the Church of England. The correspondence address is St Peter's Brockley, Wickham Road, Brockley, London SE4 1LT.

Approved by the PCC on 10th March 2026 and signed on their behalf by



(Revd Benjamin Jones (Chair of PCC))

PCC MEMBERS 2025

JANUARY TO APRIL 2025

Church Leaders Revd Benjamin Jones (Chair)
Mrs Hanelle Jones

Vice Chair Mr Colin Plant

Curates Revd. Joel Soares
Revd. Chris Gaul

Wardens Ms Nita Rogers
Mr Joel Power

Representatives on the Deanery Synod Mr Colin Plant
Mrs Lynne Wilkinson

Elected members Mr Martin Beard (Treasurer)
Ms Francesca Bignoux
Mr Seyi Olusile
Ms Phillippa Quinn

Co-opted member Mr Andy Coombe (PCC Secretary)

APRIL TO DECEMBER 2025

Church Leaders Revd Benjamin Jones (Chair)
Mrs Hanelle Jones

Vice Chair Mr Colin Plant

Curate Revd. Joel Soares

Wardens Ms Nita Rogers
Mr Oluseyi Olusile

Representatives on the Deanery Synod Mr Colin Plant
Mrs Lynne Wilkinson
(PCC Secretary)

Elected members Mr Jesse-Steve Amartey
Mr Martin Beard (Treasurer)
Ms Leilani Champagne
Ms Francesca Bignoux
Mr John Kyle
Ms Stephanie Uraih



Mr Martin Beard (Treasurer)

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of St Peter's Brockley, for the year ended 31 December 2025, which are set out on pages 16 to 26.

RESPONSIBILITIES AND BASIS OF REPORT

As the trustees of the Charity you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011. I report in respect of my examination of the Trustees' accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT

Since the charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I 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 Charity 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.

C J Goodhead FCA

Knight Goodhead Limited
Chartered Accountants

7 Bournemouth Road
Chandler's Ford, Eastleigh
Hampshire SO53 3DA

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITY

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	TOTAL FUNDS	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	TOTAL FUNDS
		2025			2024		
		£	£	£	£	£	£
INCOME FROM							
Voluntary Income		657,926	112,249	770,175	657,572	87,110	744,681
Church Activities		31,315	-	31,315	23,455	-	23,455
Church Rental Income		2,940	-	2,940	5,670	-	5,670
Other Income		1,824	-	1,824	2,376	-	2,376
ALL INCOME	2	694,005	112,249	806,254	689,072	87,110	776,182
EXPENDITURE ON							
Charitable Activities		642,961	111,277	754,238	621,336	103,422	724,760
Governance Costs		3,063	-	3,063	3,094	-	3,094
ALL EXPENDITURE	2	646,024	111,277	757,301	624,429	103,422	727,853
INCOME/ (EXPENDITURE) BEFORE TRANSFER OF FUNDS							
		47,981	972	48,953	64,643	(16,313)	48,329
Gross transfer in funds		(3,478)	3,478	-	1,742	(1,742)	-
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		44,503	4,450	48,953	66,384	(18,055)	48,329
Fund balances brought forward at 1 January 2025		71,236	6,888	78,124	4,852	24,942	29,794
BALANCES CARRIED FORWARD AT 31 DECEMBER 2025		115,739	11,338	127,077	71,236	6,888	78,124

BALANCE SHEET

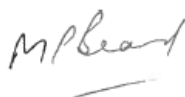
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

	Note	2025 £	2024 £
FIXED ASSETS			
General Fixed Assets		4,857	6,166
Office Equipment		219	1,253
PA/AV Equipment		10,472	16,184
	5	15,548	23,603
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash at bank and in hand		111,083	59,725
Debtors		21,559	19,902
	6	132,642	79,627
LIABILITIES			
Liabilities due within one year	7	(21,113)	(25,107)
NET CURRENT ASSETS			
		111,529	54,520
NET ASSETS			
		127,077	78,124
RESERVES			
Excess/(deficit) to date		48,953	48,329
Starting Balances		78,124	29,794
		127,077	78,124
FUNDS			
Unrestricted	10	115,739	71,236
Restricted		11,338	6,888
		127,077	78,124

Approved by the PCC on 10th March 2026 and signed on their behalf by



Revd Benjamin Jones (Chair of PCC)



Mr Martin Beard (Treasurer)

The notes on pages 18 to 25 form part of these financial statements.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

BASIS OF PREPARATION

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 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) (effective 1 January 2015) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2015.

The PCC meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy note(s).

RECONCILIATION WITH PREVIOUS GENERALLY ACCEPTED ACCOUNTING PRACTICE

In preparing the accounts, the PCC has considered whether in applying the accounting policies required by FRS 102 and the Charities SORP (FRS 102) the restatement of comparative items was required. No restatements have been considered necessary.

FUNDS

General funds represent the funds of the PCC that are not subject to any restrictions regarding their use and are available for application on the general purposes of the PCC. Restricted funds are those donated for specific purposes.

INCOME

Voluntary income and capital sources

Donations and other income are recognised when received and an estimate of income tax recoverable is recognised when the related donations are recognised.

Grants and legacies to the PCC are accounted for as soon as the PCC is notified of its legal entitlement, the amount due is quantifiable and its ultimate receipt by the PCC is probable.

Sales of books and magazines from the church bookstall are accounted for gross.

Other income

Rental income from the letting of church premises is recognised when the rental is due.

GIFTS IN KIND

Gifts in kind are accounted for at a reasonable estimate of their value to the charity or the amount actually realised.

Income from investments

Dividends are accounted for when due and payable. Interest entitlements are accounted for as they accrue. Tax recoverable on such income is recognised in the same accounting year.

Gains and losses on investments

Realised gains or losses are recognised when investments are sold.

Unrealised gains or losses are accounted for on revaluation of investments at 31 December.

Grants

Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over, or when awarded.

EXPENDITURE

Church activities

The diocesan Parish Share is accounted for when paid. Any Parish Share unpaid at 31 December is provided for in these accounts as an operational (though not a legal) liability and is shown as a creditor in the Balance Sheet.

Expenditure incurred in the operation of the church is classed as charitable activities.

FIXED ASSETS

Fixed assets used by the PCC

In the absence of an actual cost, the insurance valuation has been used as the deemed cost for operational assets, with no depreciation charge being made during the year due to the long life of the asset and regular maintenance.

Consecrated property and moveable church furnishings

Consecrated and beneficed property of any kind is excluded from the accounts by s.10 of the Charities Act 2011.

Moveable church furnishings held by the Vicar and Churchwardens on special trust for the PCC, and which require a faculty for disposal, are accounted as inalienable property unless consecrated. They are listed in the church's Inventory which can be inspected (at any reasonable time).

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

For inalienable property acquired prior to 2003 there is insufficient cost information available and therefore such assets are not valued in the accounts. No such items have been acquired since 1 January 2003.

All expenditure incurred in the year on consecrated or beneficed buildings or on the repair of movable church furnishings acquired before 1 January 2003 is written off.

Other fixtures, fittings and office equipment

Only items of greater than £1,000 are capitalised. Church worship equipment comprises a number of electrical and other items connected with sound, vision and worship. They will be depreciated over three years from date of first use. Computer and office equipment and furnishings are depreciated over three years from date of first use.

CURRENT ASSETS

Amounts owing to the PCC at 31 December in respect of fees, rents or other income are shown as debtors less provision for amounts that may prove uncollectable.

CASH FLOW STATEMENT

	Note	2025 £	2024 £
NET CASH FLOW PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES	1	49,574	46,671
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Interest received		1,784	2,563
Purchase of fixed assets			(23,058)
NET CASH FLOW		51,358	26,177

	Note	2025 £	2024 £
Cash at the end of the year	2	111,083	59,725
Cash at start of the year		59,725	33,548
(Decrease)/increase in cash in the year		51,358	26,177

NOTES TO THE CASH FLOW STATEMENT

1 RECONCILIATION OF NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS TO NET CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES

	2025 £	2024 £
Net movement in funds for the year	48,953	48,329
Dividends and interest received	(1,784)	(2,563)
Depreciation	8,055	4,929
Loss on disposal of fixed assets	-	4,008
(Increase)/Decrease in debtors	(1,657)	(7,329)
Increase/(Decrease) in creditors	(3,994)	(702)
Net cash flow from operating activities	49,574	46,671

2 ANALYSIS OF CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

	2025 £	2024 £
Cash at bank and in hand	111,083	59,725
	111,083	59,725

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

2 FINANCIAL STATEMENT

	2025			2024		
	Unrestricted	Restricted	TOTAL	Unrestricted	Restricted	TOTAL
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Donation						
Collections	6,775	5,367	12,142	8,025	3,345	11,370
Gift Aid	105,228	5,969	111,197	111,380	4,601	115,982
Grants	38,243	75,094	113,337	30,000	57,261	87,261
One off gifts – Gift Aided	98,614	10,273	108,887	139,635	6,628	146,264
One off gifts – Not Gift Aided	34,651	3,292	37,943	22,860	2,589	25,449
Planned giving – Gift Aided	311,915	11,186	323,101	268,896	11,489	280,385
Planned giving – Not Gift Aided	62,500	1,068	63,568	76,776	1,195	77,971
Total Donation	657,926	112,249	770,175	657,572	87,110	744,681
Church Activities						
Dance Class Income	18,745	-	18,745	23,403	-	23,403
Events	180	-	180	442	-	442
Funeral Fees	595	-	595	(2,546)	-	(2,546)
Children Groups	3,798	-	3,798	2,174	-	2,174
Wedding Fees	359	-	359	(18)	-	(18)
Discipleship Year	7,638	-	7,638	-	-	-
Total Church Activities	31,315	-	31,315	23,445	-	23,455
Rental						
Church Rental – Ad hoc	2,940	-	2,940	5,670	-	5,670
Total Rental	2,940	-	2,940	5,670	-	5,670
Other Income						
Bank interest	1,784	-	1,784	2,563	-	2,563
Sales of products	40	-	40	(188)	-	(188)
Total Other Income	1,824	-	1,824	2,376	-	2,376
Total Income	694,005	112,249	806,254	689,072	87,110	776,182

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

2 FINANCIAL STATEMENT (CONTINUED)

	2025			2024		
	Unrestricted	Restricted	TOTAL	Unrestricted	Restricted	TOTAL
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Worship						
Total Worship	20,448	2	20,450	32,535	1,991	34,526
Community						
Total Community	38,691	9,161	47,852	43,502	4,044	47,546
Mission						
Total Mission	28,914	31,510	60,424	25,775	27,270	53,044
Operations						
Total Operations	105,059	10,051	115,110	125,448	10,421	135,869
Staff						
Total Staff	348,610	27,149	375,759	300,976	27,230	328,207
Human Resources						
Total Human Resources	11,939	33,404	45,343	28,375	32,467	60,842
Parish Share						
Total Parish Share	89,300	-	89,300	64,725	-	64,725
Governance						
Total Governance	3,063		3,063	3,094		3,094
Total Operating Expenses	646,024	111,277	757,301	624,429	103,422	727,854

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

3 STAFF COSTS

	2025	2024
	£	£
Wages and salaries (incl PAYE)	309,583	279,251
Social security costs	20,477	16,508
Pension costs	7,300	6,383
Freelance staff costs	38,399	26,065
	375,759	328,207

	2025	2024
Total number of staff employed	15	14

No staff member was paid over £60,000 in 2025.

4 MISSION GRANTS

	Grant Amount	Purpose
	£	
Congregation in Need	5,284	Fellowship Fund
Africa for Christ	5,744	
Growing Hope	12,762	
Spinnaker Trust	1,200	
London City Mission	1,100	
Fountain of Peace	2,316	
Other	370	Acts 435
St Stephen's School	300	
Tea Deak	900	
The Spring	3,600	
Tierra Nueva	416	
Vinjeru School	1,200	
	35,192	

5 FIXED ASSETS FOR USE BY THE PCC

	General Fixed Assets	Office Equipment	PA/AV Equipment	Total
	£	£	£	£
Actual/Revalued cost At 1 January 2025	14,114	5,107	44,433	63,654
Additions during year	-	-	-	-
Disposals during year	-	-	-	-
At 31 December 2025	14,114	5,107	44,433	63,654
Depreciation At 1 January 2025	7,948	3,854	28,249	40,051
Charge for the year	1,309	1,034	5,712	8,055
Disposals during year	-	-	-	-
At 31 December 2025	9,257	4,888	33,961	48,106
Net Book Value At 1 January 2025	6,166	1,253	16,184	23,603
At 31 December 2025	4,857	219	10,472	15,548

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

6 DEBTORS

	2025	2024
	£	£
Prepayments and accrued income	2,406	2,308
Short term loan	1,676	2,995
Giving owed to St Peter's	13,560	14,215
Accounts Receivable	3,917	384
	21,559	19,902

7 CREDITORS (AMOUNTS FALLING DUE LESS THAN ONE YEAR)

	2025	2024
	£	£
Accounts Payable	11,296	14,969
Accruals	2,200	3,760
Deposit for room hire	-	140
Deferred Income	2,248	-
PAYE/NI payable	5,369	4,533
Payroll Payable	-	1,705
	21,113	25,107

8 CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

There were no contingent liabilities at the end of 31 December 2025 (2024: None).

9 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Name	Relationship	2025 (£)	2024 (£)	Duties
Hanelle Jones	Wife of Incumbent	29,916	24,879	Community Engagement
Francesca Bignoux	PCC Member	334	-	Children's Support
Margaret Plant	Wife of PCC Member	1,910	1,455	Supplier

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

10 RESTRICTED FUNDS

Donor	Purpose	Opening Balance	Income	Expenditure	Transfer from general funds	Closing Balance
		£	£	£	£	£
CRT	New Worshipping Community	398	33,006	(33,404)	0	0
Acts 435	People in need	0	370	(370)	0	0
Diocese of Southwark	Kids Work	884	7,150	(9,354)	1,320	0
Various Donors	Collection to give away	0	7,660	(8,131)	471	0
Various Donors	Foodbank	0	48,074	(42,562)	0	5,512
Various Donors	Fellowship Fund	0	605	(5,292)	4,687	0
Various Donors	Love Brockley	442	2,708	(2,906)	0	244
Various Donors	Youth	1,132	8,803	(5,867)	0	4,068
Various Donors	Growing Hope	0	3,833	(3,343)	0	490
Various Donors	Unconditional	4,032	40	(48)	(3,000)	1,024
Total Restricted funds		6,888	112,249	(111,277)	3,478	11,338

- **New Worshipping Community:** This was a grant given from CRT for our curates housing and stipend costs. CRT pays the Dioceses of Southwark for the stipend and then pays St Peter's for housing and other related costs.
- **Kids Work:** The was a grant given to St Peter's from the Diocese of Southwark to increase capacity for our childrens work.
- **Screen:** A grant given to us from the Heritage Lottery fund for installing a prjector and screen.
- **Building Fund:** This was made up of variouse donors to help keep up the fabric of St Peter's Church.
- **Foodbank / Social Supermarket:** Variours donors and grant funders help support the drop in that St Peters run to help those in need with food provision.
- **Fellowship Fund:** Variouse donors have supported this fund to help local individuals in need of financial provision.
- **Love Brockley:** Has been an offshoot of the Foodbank to create a community garden as well as free courses to help locals.
- **Youth Boxing:** An initiative supported by the Diocese of Southwark for the local youth.
- **Growing Hope:** Money brought in via variouse donors to supprort the Growing Hope clinic in Brockley to give free therapy for children with additional needs.
- **Unconditional:** Helps provide counselling and training.

Restricted funds comparative year movements:

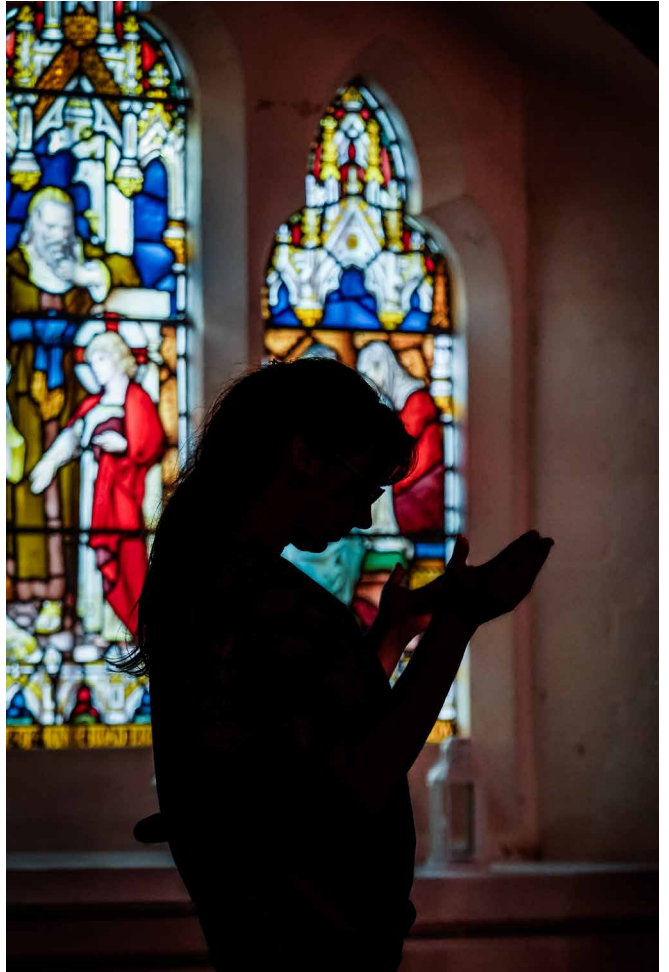
Donor	Purpose	Opening Balance	Income	Expenditure	Transfer from general funds	Closing Balance
		£	£	£	£	£
CRT	New Worshipping Community	(2,692)	35,557	(32,467)	0	398
Diocese of Southwark	Kids Work	0	884	0	0	884
Lottery grant	Screen	1,490	0	(1,490)	0	0
Various Donors	Building fund	20,701	0	(8,398)	(12,303)	0
Various Donors	Foodbank	0	44,640	(52,383)	7,743	0
Various Donors	Fellowship Fund	0	1,382	(3,824)	2,442	0
Various Donors	Love Brockley	0	1,959	(1,517)	0	442
Diocese of Southwark	Youth Boxing	1,726	0	(594)	0	1,132
Various Donors	Growing Hope	0	2,312	(2,688)	376	0
Various Donors	Unconditional	3,717	375	(60)	0	4,032
Total Restricted funds		24,942	87,109	(103,421)	(1,742)	6,888

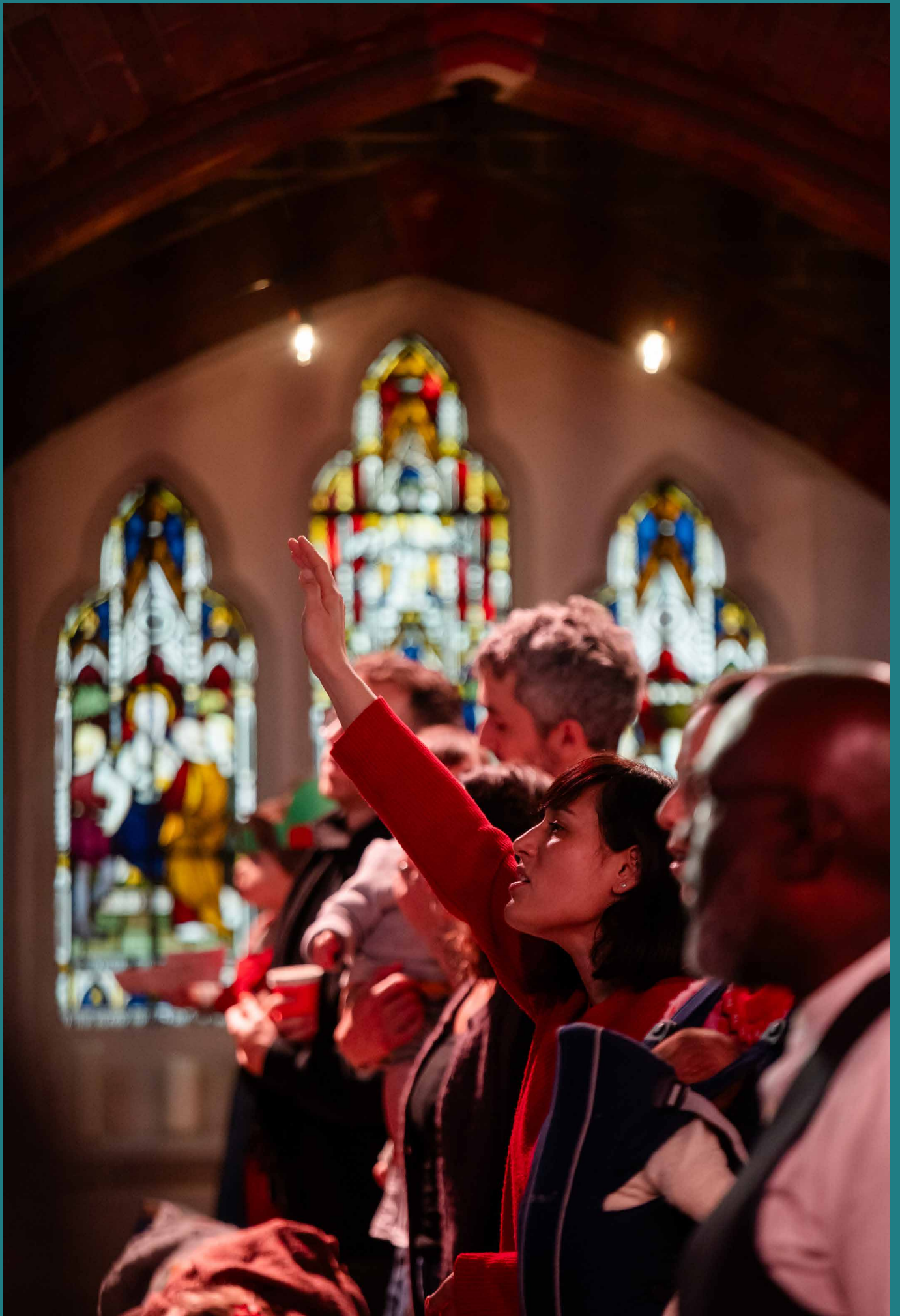
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

11 ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BY FUND

	2025			2024		
	Unrestricted	Restricted	TOTAL FUNDS	Unrestricted	Restricted	TOTAL FUNDS
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Cash & deposit balances	99,745	11,338	111,083	52,837	6,888	59,725
Fixed Assets	15,548	-	15,548	23,604	-	23,604
Other Assets	21,559	-	21,559	19,901	-	19,901
Total Assets	136,852	11,338	148,190	96,343	6,888	103,231
Current Liabilities	(21,113)	-	(21,113)	(25,107)	-	(25,107)
	115,739	11,338	127,077	71,236	6,888	78,124







  @stpetersbrockley
stpetersbrockley.org.uk

Accounts



ST PETER'S BROCKLEY



ANNUAL REPORT 2024

VISION AND VALUES

VISION

To play our part in bringing heaven to South East London.

MISSION

We play our part by making disciples who make disciples - people who spend time with Jesus, become like him, do the things he did and help others do the same.

FEELS LIKE FAMILY

Church is a diverse family where we can be fully known, unconditionally loved and become who we're created to be.

EMPOWERED BY THE SPIRIT

We are filled, led and empowered by the Holy Spirit to do what we see the Father doing.

MAKE JESUS KNOWN

Everything we do is an opportunity for others to experience the love and power of Jesus and find fullness of life in him.

FREED BY TRUTH

The bible is our go to source for truth, it sets our hearts on fire and its authority in our lives leads to freedom.

EVERYDAY NOT AN EVENT

Spending time with Jesus, becoming like him, doing what he did and helping one another do the same happens every day, not just Sunday.

AMBITIOUSLY LOCAL

We want to see heaven come where we live through Villages, community ministries and by planting and grafting across SE London.



WORSHIP AND PRAYER

Our Sunday services have continued to grow in the last year. As well as a greater awareness of the Spirit's presence amongst us, our services are marked by uplifting worship led by our gifted musicians and singers, practical biblical teaching, a growing commitment to prayer and incredible stories of God healing and speaking to people.

Our production team provide technical support and they livestream and record the morning services, giving greater access to others to see what God is doing among us, and an encouragement to join us.

The number of people who call St Peter's home has grown and we've now outgrown the building in our morning service. All available side rooms are used, including for a creche, and we are using additional temporary space for children.

Each Sunday morning there is a marquee, a double decker bus and the vicarage to help accommodate on average 75 children aged 0-11 and 30 young people aged 11-18. We now have an average of 180 adults each Sunday morning and around 80 in the evening.

Our next challenge will be to create additional space for our growing church and to transition to a second morning service to increase capacity for children, youth, and adults.



COMMUNITY CHOIR

In September 2024, the Love Brockley Community Choir launched a 12-week programme, creating a welcoming space for those in our community who might not typically attend church. The choir offered an opportunity to develop vocal skills, learn new melodies, and prepare for a live performance—all while fostering encouragement and connection.

A total of 25 individuals joined, representing the incredible diversity of Brockley. From the very first session, people from all walks of life found common ground. As the weeks progressed, a remarkable sense of camaraderie developed, with participants overcoming their fears and inhibitions in a space where acceptance and support flourished. Strangers quickly became family.

The heart behind this initiative is to create opportunities for people to experience community and, in some cases, take steps toward faith. This term, one of our choir members began attending our evening service and ultimately gave her life to Jesus. Another woman, who hadn't sung in years, shared how the experience transformed her life, bringing renewed joy. Her husband even remarked that she had 'come alive' again. Every participant had their own story of transformation, making this initiative all the more meaningful.

Many choir members formed lasting friendships, with some even singing at our Food Bank Christmas Party. Several joined our Christmas Choir, and now we're launching a Sunday morning choir once a month, allowing the journey to continue beyond the programme itself.

The final showcase was a tremendous success, drawing an audience of 150 guests, many of whom were visiting St. Peter's for the first time. These attendees were invited to our Christmas services and Life Course, extending our outreach beyond just the choir and into deeper connections with our church community.

Looking back on these incredible moments, we give thanks to God for the creative ways he is allowing us to share His love with the Brockley community—welcoming those who may never have otherwise stepped through our doors.



COMMUNITY

LITTLE FISHES

Throughout 2024, Little Fishes remained a cherished gathering point for approximately 45 children, along with their caregivers and adults. The term-time weekly programme offers a refuge for parents, carers, and caregivers alike with a warm welcome, a cuppa, and a safe place to play with the children and chat with friends.

We welcome a mix of regular faces and new friends each week, engaging all who come along with songs, storytime, and various toys, games, and sensory activities. We're continuing to welcome Jesus' presence into this group, praying with caregivers, reading Bible stories, and creating touchpoints for reflection. It's heartening to witness the spiritual growth and engagement of both children and adults within the Little Fishes community, as they continue to find nurture amidst their busy lives.

BUMPS AND BABIES

Throughout 2024, we warmly welcomed approximately 30 parents and their precious bumps and babies into our facility every Monday afternoon. Bumps and Babies not only provides essential feeding support to mothers but also offers a nurturing environment for parents and their infants right from the earliest stages of their parenting journey. We believe that God's presence has infused this group with a sense of peace, as evidenced by the numerous comments we receive weekly about the tranquil atmosphere.

This year, we have continued to rely on the generosity of our volunteer peer support team, who offer kindness, advice, and breastfeeding support. We have also seen the group grow in those who choose to return with older babies, and finding a warm place of connection and community. We're continuing to build the prayer and kindness team's presence in this space and witnessing Jesus' power and love at work during a beautifully sensitive time in these families' lives.

YOUTH

This year has been an exciting season of growth and deepened community within our youth ministry. Weekly attendance averaged 30, with a total of around 50 young people now connected to St Peter's Youth. Through social events like bowling, movie nights, and a day trip to Brighton, friendships have flourished, creating a stronger sense of belonging. A highlight of the year was our first-ever Youth Winter Ball, which welcomed 75 young people, including many non-Christian friends invited by our youth.

Spiritually, we've witnessed incredible milestones, with four young people taking the step of baptism and committing their lives to Jesus. Our 15-18 age group, in particular, is thriving—not only are some attending the evening church service, but a few have even initiated their own Bible study group. Seeing their faith grow in such a personal and proactive way has been truly encouraging.

YOUTH CONTINUED

As we look ahead, we're excited to continue fostering an environment where young people encounter Jesus, build meaningful relationships, and take ownership of their faith. 2024 has been a year of God's faithfulness, and we're excited for what's to come!



KIDS

In 2024, our Kids Ministry continued to thrive on Sunday mornings, with an average attendance of 70 children actively participating in one of our four dedicated kids' rooms. Across all of our sessions, we focused on "Being with Jesus, Becoming like Jesus, Doing the things Jesus did, and Helping others to do the same" through various creative and enjoyable ways, learning about God and encountering the Holy Spirit.

Christmas and Easter services provided beautiful opportunities for the children to invite friends and showcase their talents through various performances. Christmas 2024 was particularly exciting, as the children prepared animation videos, musical and dance performances, as well as performing the nativity narrative.

Our annual Summer Club increased capacity to 50 children this year, thanks to our team and volunteers. The children took a deep dive into the book of Matthew, reflecting on what it means to follow Jesus and participating in dance, singing, and art sessions, culminating in a stellar performance for family and friends.

The biggest change in Kids Ministry in 2024 was the tearful farewell of Ana Kyle, who stepped down from leading the ministry after starting, building, and pouring into it for six years. Ana spent many Sundays faithfully with the children, building a strong foundation for their faith.

Kylie den Engelsman stepped into the role of Children and Families Lead in September 2024

and has been working with the team to develop a deep understanding of the character of God and explore the many ways we can connect with Jesus.

One of our children was particularly excited to be involved in our Christingle Performances after we added various elements they could take part in. This was particularly significant for the family, as their child had never engaged in a public performance piece like this before, and they were very grateful there was an avenue they could explore and an environment in which they felt safe to do so!



PASTORAL CARE

In 2024, we saw continued excellence in the care of our members through Villages. The leaders and members of the Villages have looked after people through births, bereavements, and illnesses, with meal trains, phone calls, and people encouraging others through hard times. We are really embedding 'Feels like Family' through Villages.

We also launched a workshop on Emotional Health for Spiritual Growth. This six-week workshop, led by Marilyn Gulland, has been transformative for many in areas where they have been stuck emotionally and spiritually. This workshop will continue in 2025, and we have plans to develop an offering in emotional and mental health each term, with Anne Whyte leading a training in inner-healing prayer and Jill Parnham developing another short course in incorporating practices for mental and emotional well-being.

We also plan to build a more robust pastoral care team who can be trained to pick up some of the situations that need more care than their Villages are able to give them.



RHYTHM

Rhythm is a distinctive space within St. Peter's where the art of movement and dance converges with worship to God. Our goal is to harness the power of dance to glorify God, engage in prayerful intercession, and prophesy. With each passing month, Rhythm continues to flourish, drawing individuals into an encounter with the liberating, love-filled presence of God through dance and movement.

We have had many beautiful testimonies of people connecting with God through their time at Rhythm. One lady expressed how Rhythm was the space where she felt closest to God each month. Rhythm was invited to join Unconditional as a special session to help the women connect to their bodies and their breath, and to have fun with movement and dance. Since then, one of the ladies has also attended a regular Rhythm session, saying she feels so free.

One lady who is on the journey to becoming a Christian attended Rhythm, and she was so overwhelmed by God's love and freedom at the end of the session that she cried with joy. She said, "I guess you would say I am experiencing God."

Many others have testified to encountering a profound sense of freedom, joy, peace, and newfound confidence during their time at Rhythm. They speak of experiencing breakthroughs in their lives, hearing from God, and feeling emotionally uplifted after immersing themselves in worship.

The impact of Rhythm extends beyond the walls of St. Peter's, as it has now expanded to King's Cross Church (KXC) as part of their midweek prayer and worship gatherings. Rhythm has also occasionally started at St. Gregory's in Cornwall (part of the Table Network) as part of their prayer meetings.



DANCE

Dance @ St. Peter's continues to be a vibrant and inclusive community, welcoming individuals of all ages to experience the joy of movement and expression. Over 2024, our programme has flourished, with approximately 100 students dancing weekly, ranging from toddlers as young as 18 months to adults. We also welcome siblings and parents to play or relax in the space, fostering a sense of togetherness.

Led by a trained team of five Spirit-led teachers and two assistants, our classes offer a diverse range of styles, from street dance to ballet, ensuring there is something for everyone to enjoy and feel at home in the church space.

We remain committed to breaking down barriers and creating a welcoming environment for all. To promote inclusivity, we've adapted our sign-up protocols and maintained flexibility in our communication methods. For example, we've made special provisions for women from the local refuge, ensuring they can access the classes safely and peacefully. Through acts of kindness, prayer, and heartfelt invitations, we have seen many individuals transition from attending our dance classes to engaging in Sunday services, Christmas celebrations, and other church events. One visitor noted, "There's something different about this place –it has soul."

A particularly moving moment was welcoming a child with selective mutism. We worked closely with the child's mother to explore ways to support her, including learning basic Makaton to aid communication and supporting them in prayer for the child's healing from past trauma.

We also felt called to pray for specific individuals following guidance shared by two separate people. During this time, we received a strong sense to pray for a particular name we had not yet met. Remarkably, she arrived at dance that very same day for a trial session, affirming God's clear guidance and hand in our ministry.

In addition to benefiting participants' physical and emotional well-being, our dance programme has sparked numerous faith conversations. Families from the wider community—many of whom have no prior church connections—have found a place of prayer and support within our space. One particularly touching moment occurred when a dance staff member prayed for one parent, only for another to approach them afterward to request prayer as well.

Our commitment to social impact extends beyond the dance floor. Profits generated through our programme are reinvested into the church and support bursaries for families experiencing financial hardship. These bursaries ensure that our dance programme remains accessible to all, reflecting our values of generosity and inclusion. Last year, we were able to support around 15 children to take ballet exams, all of whom successfully achieved the highest levels of Distinctions or Merits. Many of these children have been dancing with us for years on bursary places, so thanks to Dance @ St Peter's, they did not have to bear the high cost of exam fees.

We thank God for His continued provision and guidance in this ministry and look forward to seeing how He will use Dance @ St. Peter's to bless more lives in the coming year.

MISSION

STREET SUNDAYS

A small-but-faithful group has kept going out onto the streets of Brockley on the last Sunday of each month, led by Martin Beard and Maureen Erny. There have been beautiful reports of people encountering God's love during those times, through conversation and through prayer. It would be good to look towards what else God could be calling us to in terms of getting outside of the church walls and being more missional and outward-looking.

BOXTRUE

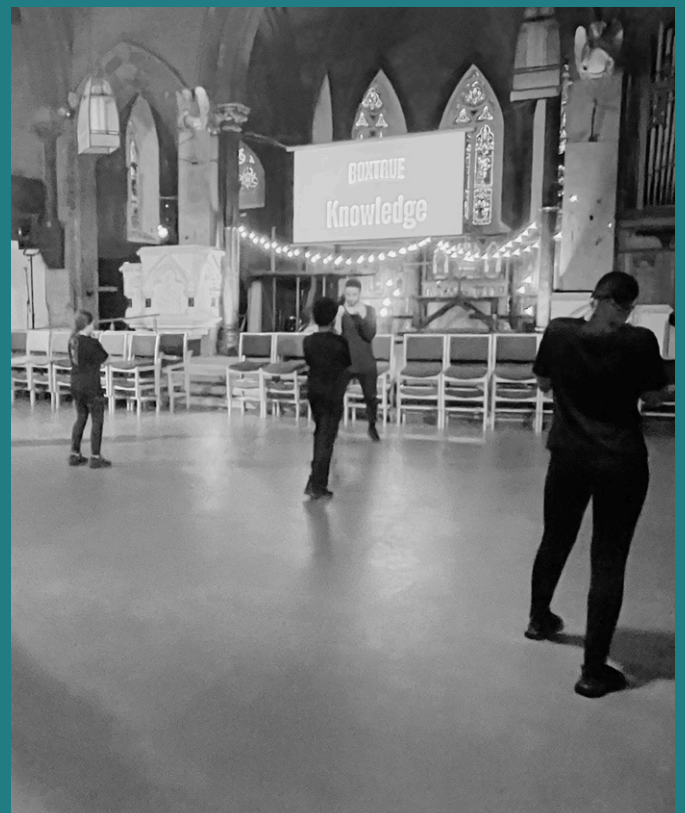
BoxTrue continued for a second course in 2024. Alongside welcoming back some existing students, we also welcomed seven new young people to the course in the spring.

After receiving funds from the diocese to develop the course and witnessing a season of growth within the youth ministry at St Peter's, Joel and the team are looking to relaunch the course. This will not only serve as a way to disciple our existing youth but also as a space they can invite their friends to.

We are also praying for a new boxing trainer to help us make the most of the opportunities available, particularly for the youth attending St James, Kidbrooke. A BoxTrue taster session was offered at their summer barbecue, and it was well received. It seems that Kidbrooke is the natural place for the course to expand into in 2025.

CREATION CLUB

Creation Club, our after-school programme for primary school-aged children, ran until July 2024. Rooted in the theme of Creation, the children explored the wonders of God's handiwork and discussed their responsibility to care for it. Drawing inspiration from scripture, each session delved into different aspects of God's magnificent creation, offering a variety of art projects that provided opportunities for the children to express themselves artistically and hone their creative skills.



LIFE COURSE

The Life Course ran twice in the year, welcoming around 30 participants each— from the curious to committed atheists. We offered time to explore the deeper questions of life and to share the answers we find in Jesus.

Among the many remarkable stories that unfolded, one stands out as a testament to the transformative power of Jesus. A man who had felt rejected by his family and the church as a child, decades ago, got to know his neighbour, a member of St. Peter's. This neighbour prayed for his arthritic knees, and God miraculously healed him, preventing the need for planned surgery and a future in a wheelchair. A few months later, he was invited to the Life Course, came, and discovered that God had not rejected him. He came to believe in Jesus and was baptised. He is now growing as a disciple as part of his local Village.

His journey reflects the Life Course's mission—to provide a welcoming space where people can explore faith, find belonging, and experience transformation.

ONE HEART PRAYER

On the first Monday of each month, several members of the St Peter's Church family gathered together to pray for the wider church community at our One Heart Prayer evenings. These evenings of prayer always began with a time of worship, and we sought to allow space for the Holy Spirit to lead the way. The meetings varied from month to month, focusing on a particular area of the church vision, a specific need that had arisen in our community, or in the world.

In early summer, we held weekly half-nights of prayer, where we had fifty or more people praying between 9pm and midnight. Throughout the year, we prayed for any needs that were brought to mind or had been requested by any members of the church family.

DISCIPLESHIP YEAR

We're very excited to have launched our first Discipleship Year in September 2024! As the first year of what we plan will be annual discipleship years, our current cohort of around ten interns has had the opportunity over two days a week to grow in being with Jesus, becoming like him, doing the things he did, and helping each other do the same. The interns benefit from a day of practical teaching and experience with a focus on putting the teaching into practice, complemented with time for bible discussion, worship, and ministry, in the power of the Spirit. Interns also have the opportunity to be mentored by church staff to see how church life and ministry are led behind the scenes and develop their leadership skills. In the future, we aim to develop this discipleship year as the foundation for longer-term leadership development investment in future leaders.

During this time together, all were welcome and encouraged to share Bible verses and prophetic words or pictures that the Lord had put on our hearts. We gave glory to God for these times when we could share the passions in our hearts, our hopes, and our praises. We thanked him for the sense of increased faith and togetherness we experienced in His presence.

VILLAGES

St. Peter's has increasingly prioritised discipleship in recent years. While we are seeking to ensure that everything we do is aligned with this mission, our primary focus for discipling St. Peter's people is through Villages. Meeting regularly in our homes in small groups is the best environment for people to be fully known, unconditionally loved, and become who we're created to be ('Feels like family'), which creates an environment where we can grow as disciples ('Every day not an event'), and where we can share the love of Jesus with our neighbours ('Make Jesus known' and 'Ambitiously local'). As we grow more secure in Villages, we aim to grow in being led and empowered by the Spirit and focus on Biblical transformation ('Empowered by the Spirit' and 'Freed by truth').

This year was our second full year of Villages. By the end of 2024, we had 12 Villages across various locations, including Brockley (x2), Brockley West, Crofton Park, Ladywell, Nunhead, Peckham, Deptford (x2), Catford, West Dulwich, and Crystal Palace. The Charlton Village closed as the leader took up a curacy position in a local church, in line with our vision to resource local churches, while we started new Villages in Nunhead and Deptford.

Approximately 180 individuals are linked to Villages, with weekly engagement averaging about 100. Village leaders have the flexibility to guide their communities in ways that best promote community, discipleship, and evangelism. Some utilise their own discussion resources, while others draw on material provided by Sunday speakers, encouraging deeper exploration of each Sunday message and a more collective response.

Additionally, we organised three 'Village Sundays' throughout the year. On these designated Sundays, Villages gathered in homes instead of attending the regular Sunday morning service, focusing on prayer and collaborative efforts to share Jesus' love with their neighbourhoods. Activities included prayer walks, prophetic ministry, healing on the streets, and other initiatives to engage with our neighbours.

One such Village Sunday resulted in a neighbour (who was already interested in faith as he'd received healing on the streets for his arthritis) being invited to the Life Course. He attended the course, gave his life to Jesus, and was baptised just after Christmas. He is a regular member of the Village and only occasionally attends a Sunday service—in line with our ambition that everyone who is part of St. Peter's will be part of a Village first, and attend Sunday services second.

VILLAGES 2024

Brockhead
Brockley Central
Brockley Daytime
Brockley West
Catford
Crofton Park
Crystal Palace
Deptford
Deptford House Church
Ladywell
Nunhead
Peckham
West Dulwich

COMMUNITY GARDEN

We completed a second year with our community garden! Under the leadership of Martin Beard and Maureen Erny, we had community garden days every Thursday and monthly on a Saturday from February through November 2024. We grew an assortment of vegetables, some of which were eaten and enjoyed by those who gardened, and some of which were shared with our social supermarket. People enjoyed gardening very much, and often remarked that getting outside and in the dirt is incredibly therapeutic for them.

Blaire and Matthew Gilmour were incredibly hardworking and creative and helped landscape a beautiful new garden design for the front of the church. It's still a work in progress, but we have put in paths through the flower garden, woodland garden, and through the living teepee built for children, and are looking forward to seeing all of our spring bulbs coming up in 2025.

Rob Penman has agreed to be our gardener going forward and we are grateful for the maintenance and work he is going to do in our outside spaces in the year ahead.

FRIENDSHIP CAFE

We thank God that, in its ninth year, the Friendship Café continues to thrive, offering a safe and welcoming space where people can meet, make new friends, and strengthen existing bonds. Donations given for cakes and drinks by those who join us are passed to Growing Hope; this generosity has provided much-needed extra funds towards their work.

We continue to welcome new people, but sadly, two faithful and committed members passed away in 2024.

The Lord continues to bless us in many ways, not least by bringing people to the Friendship Café, where he blesses everyone with fellowship and friendship. We are thankful for all he has done, and continues to do, in providing a welcoming place for those who are lonely and/or isolated to meet.



SOCIAL SUPERMARKET

The St. Peter's Brockley Food Bank & Social Supermarket has continued to provide fresh and ambient groceries for about 100 households every Wednesday. This has been a lifeline for many in our community. The volunteer team, mainly made up of service users and non-church-going community members, operates like a machine, dealing with the huge logistical task and serving our clients with real grace. We also have a dedicated Prayer & Kindness team at each event, chatting, listening, and praying for people, and each week the group participates in a Bible story and prayer time, which is often very powerful. There have been a few people who have begun coming to church as a result, and others asking more about God. This Christmas, we had a record of 140 households who received groceries and a Christmas hamper as well.

Going forward, the team is increasingly aware of the need to transition our social supermarket from the lockdown emergency measures in which it was born and into a format that empowers people to take more responsibility for their own lives and addresses some of the root causes of their food insecurity. There will be some major changes in 2025, which include better measures around wraparound care, signposting, and advice in dealing with benefits, housing, and immigration. We hope to grow our spiritual impact throughout the year as well.

100
HOUSEHOLDS

320
INDIVIDUALS



ST PETER'S
BROCKLEY
SOCIAL
SUPERMARKET



LOVE
BROCKLEY

CHRISTIANS AGAINST POVERTY (CAP) JOB CLUB

The St. Peter's CAP Job Club is for individuals navigating the challenges of unemployment and career transitions. Our doors are open to those who have been grappling with prolonged joblessness, facing workplace difficulties, or seeking new career pathways.

Aligned with the national CAP scheme and in collaboration with other job clubs, our club offers a comprehensive range of services aimed at empowering individuals on their journey to employment. From assistance with CV writing, and job applications to honing interview skills and providing motivation and goal-setting support, we strive to equip our members with the tools they need to succeed in today's competitive job market.

In 2024, St. Peter's ran two 7-week job clubs in spring and winter. Over 20 people attended the clubs, ages ranging from 20 to over 50 years. At least 50% of those who attended were able to find employment or voluntary work during or shortly after the end of the courses. Strong positive feedback from course members was received, demonstrating the value given to the personal and group support from job club coaches and other course members.

At the heart of our job club is a dedicated team of individuals whose expertise, experience, and unwavering commitment shine through in every interaction. Their warm demeanour and genuine compassion create a nurturing environment where individuals feel supported and encouraged as they navigate their employment journey.

Together, we stand as a community of hope and resilience, united in our mission to empower individuals and restore dignity through meaningful employment.

UNCONDITIONAL

Unconditional, our domestic abuse support group, continues to provide vital assistance to individuals affected by domestic abuse in the SE4 area. Operating bimonthly during term time, our group offers both practical and psychological support to those navigating the complexities of domestic violence.

Led by trained facilitators, Unconditional offers the 'Own My Life' programme, a 12-week course designed to empower women who have experienced or are currently enduring abuse to reclaim control over their lives. This transformative course equips participants with the tools and resources needed to break free from the cycle of abuse and move towards healing and empowerment.

In 2024, we saw an increased awareness of Unconditional's existence within the local community, with more individuals seeking support and engaging in our services. Additionally, we expanded our support offerings by establishing a crèche, which has become an integral part of the group. This initiative has enabled more individuals to access our services, removing barriers to participation and ensuring that those in need can receive the support they deserve.

Throughout our sessions, we continue to offer prayer to those in attendance, with 95% of participants expressing a desire for prayer at the conclusion of each session. This spiritual support, combined with the encouragement fostered within the group, has been instrumental in helping attendees find strength and resilience in the face of adversity.

Friendships have blossomed within the group, providing a source of comfort and solidarity for individuals navigating challenging circumstances. Through mutual support, encouragement, and prayer, participants have found empowerment as they journey towards healing and wholeness.

CHARITABLE GIVING

Throughout 2024, St Peter's remained committed to supporting a range of charitable organisations and initiatives, both locally and internationally. These contributions played a vital role in extending compassion, practical aid, and opportunities to those in need.

In addition to supporting these organisations, St Peter's also provided assistance to individuals facing financial hardship. Through the Fellowship Fund, members of the church community received much-needed financial aid during difficult times. Furthermore, St. Peter's continued its commitment to serving the wider community through the social supermarket / food bank, offering essential provisions to those experiencing food insecurity.

These contributions reflect the church's ongoing mission to serve with generosity, compassion, and faith, ensuring that both local and global communities receive the support they need.



- **Growing Hope**

Supporting children with additional needs and their families through free therapy services.

- **Spinnaker Trust**

Partnering with primary schools to provide Christian education and support.

- **London City Mission**

Serving the marginalised and sharing the Christian message across London.

- **Power the Fight**

Tackling youth violence through community-led initiatives and interventions.

- **The Spring**

Offering support and resources to those affected by homelessness and addiction.

- **Fountain of Peace**

Providing care and education for orphaned and vulnerable children in Uganda.

- **St. Stephen's School**

Supporting Christian education and enrichment opportunities for students.

- **Tea Deak (Wave Ministry)**

Enabling East European churches to use their resources to benefit their local communities.

- **Vinjeru School**

Enhancing educational opportunities for children in Zambia.

CONNECTED LIVES

Our partnership with the charity Connected Lives offers courses and activities aimed at enhancing our interpersonal relationships. We successfully conducted four Circle of Security Parenting Courses, providing a platform for small groups of parents to engage in open discussions about their parenting journey within a supportive setting. Rooted in evidence-based research, these courses focused on fostering stronger connections and attachment between caregivers and children.

We have also provided courses for married couples and singles, offering everyone an opportunity to share their experiences of flourishing in both life and faith.

The response to these initiatives has been overwhelmingly positive, with participants reporting notable improvements in their relationships. Encouraged by this feedback, we are committed to building upon this success in the years ahead, further enriching the lives and connections within our community.

LSSM

St. Peter's has continued to support the London School of Supernatural Ministry (LSSM) by offering a 'home' for LSSM events, and publicising and encouraging participation. LSSM offers transformative discipleship courses to our members, church leaders, and individuals from across the UK, Europe, and the USA. In 2024, LSSM introduced new 'greenhouse' events with shorter contact times and greater home learning to encourage participation.

PARTNERSHIPS



EST 2012

www.lssm.org.uk

GROWING
HOPE
BROCKLEY



This initiative has had a profound impact on participants, empowering them to discover their true identity, activate their spiritual gifts, and cultivate a deeper sense of confidence in their faith journey. As a result, individuals at various stages of their walk with Jesus have reported remarkable transformations, witnessing positive shifts in both their personal lives and the world around them.

GROWING HOPE

Growing Hope Brockley officially reopened its doors in September 2024 after a vacancy. Through God's goodness and the unwavering dedication and support of our administrator, hardworking volunteers, a specialist therapist, and trustees, we have offered free counselling, psychotherapy, and occupational therapy services to the Lewisham and Southwark communities. In addition, God has provided the resources and hands for accessible church ministry. This year, we have had four Growing Hope champions serving alongside children and youth ministry to help families feel welcome.

This year, St Peter's Church experienced a new direction in accessible church ministry. We have documented an increase in children with additional needs in our kids' ministry programme, thus creating a need for more volunteers and teaching that will enable them to access the Bible.

Our families feel so blessed, as the accessibility team has provided one-on-one support for children with moderate additional needs. We have accessibility volunteers in each Sunday School session, ensuring that children with additional needs can participate with all other children in worshipping Jesus and accessing teaching.

Through our counselling services and accessible church work with children this year, we have encountered God's grace in various ways. During a parent consultation in the clinic, we witnessed a mother find hope for her child's increased anxiety challenges and witnessed her obedience to the call to salvation.

Growing Hope encountered a major blessing during the Big Give Christmas Campaign at the end of the year. Various donors acknowledged and understood our mission, and thanks to their generous donations, we were able to welcome families back to the clinic.

Looking to the year ahead, Growing Hope Brockley Clinic is seeing a steady rise in counselling services, particularly for adolescents and young adults. We aim to expand our counselling services and provide these services for adolescents and young people, not just for our younger population.

In addition to this, we would also like to prioritise supporting parents beyond the consultation room by creating and running parent support groups. The clinic provided services to 19 children during the autumn term, and we will reach more children in the coming spring term.



OPERATIONS

BUILDING

Throughout the year, St Peter's building remained in good condition, owing to regular maintenance and thorough safety inspections. A number of repairs were carried out to address issues identified in the previous Quinquennial Inspection. These included clearing blocked gutters, installing new ramps at entrances, replacing broken or dislodged roof tiles, and renewing the lead valley to prevent leaks and further damage. Additionally, a secure enclosure was constructed around the font to ensure its stability and protect against potential accidents.

While significant progress has been made, several tasks from the Quinquennial Inspection remain in progress, ensuring the ongoing maintenance and safety of the building for all who use it.

The installation of security cameras has been a success, with no break-ins reported in 2024. These cameras are regularly maintained and checked to ensure continued effectiveness.

Our latest initiative to create additional space for the children attending Kids' Church is now underway. We've removed one of the buses to make room for a marquee at the front of the church, which will accommodate the growing number of children who join us at St Peter's each Sunday. There are also other space solutions being made to create more space for the youth as it grows.

The acoustic walls between the main space, the Cranfield Room, and the Wickham Room were successfully completed in 2024, providing effective soundproofing that allows children to concentrate on their sessions without distractions. Additionally, thorough risk assessments were carried out for every activity and programme held within and around the building. As a result, all necessary safety measures were put in place to effectively mitigate any potential risks.



ELECTORAL ROLL AND CHURCH ATTENDANCE

The 2024 Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) took place in April, in accordance with the guidelines set by the Southwark Diocese. At that time, the Electoral Roll listed 118 members. Throughout the year, St. Peter's saw an average Sunday attendance of 185 adults and 100 children in the mornings, with an additional 95 adults attending evening services. While online engagement remains difficult to quantify, the church continued to attract a significant number of participants through platforms such as YouTube and Instagram, with ongoing discussions about expanding to other digital channels.

Easter saw a strong turnout, with 90 people attending the Good Friday service and 422 adults and 135 children joining the Easter Sunday celebration. The Christmas season also experienced growth, following the previous year's decision to double the number of services. A total of 447 adults attended the Saturday and Sunday evening Carols, while the Christmas Christingle services welcomed 313 adults and 150 children across two morning services.

Additionally, nearly 300 people participated in the Lighting of the Star, a significant increase from the previous year. This event primarily drew members of the local community, featuring expanded activities. Looking ahead, we hope to continue growing this initiative to further strengthen community engagement.

185 adults

100 children

average morning attendance

95 adults

average evening attendance

422 adults

135 children

Easter Sunday 2024

313 adults

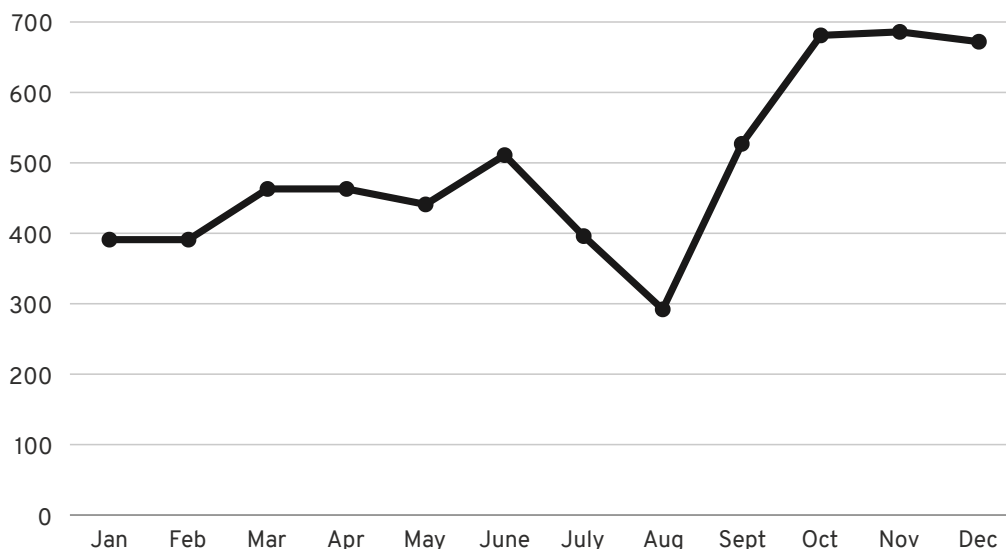
150 children

Christingle Services 2024

447 adults

Christmas Carols Services 2024

MONTHLY ENGAGEMENT ACROSS ALL ACTIVITIES 2024



VOLUNTEERS

We are incredibly grateful for the invaluable contributions of our dedicated church volunteers. Their commitment, energy, creativity, and humour have been the cornerstone of the church's success and growth.

All our programmes and events—from Sunday services to outreach programmes and supporting community initiatives—rely ultimately on the sacrificial serving of many people in the church, many behind the scenes and never known.

As we celebrate our volunteers, we re-emphasise our commitment to supporting them and seeking to ensure every volunteer flourishes and grows, through training, encouragement, guidance, support, and appreciation. We extend our heartfelt thanks to all our volunteers for their extraordinary love and service. We are profoundly grateful for them and the difference they make. We simply wouldn't be St. Peter's without them.

Ben and Hanelle, the church leaders, also extend their heartfelt gratitude to the dedicated members of the St. Peter's PCC, with some stepping down and others joining over the year. Their commitment and service, often quietly behind the scenes, are deeply appreciated, and we are grateful for the impact you have made on our church and our mission.

Finally, the church leaders would like to thank the wider congregation. Despite the challenges posed by the cost of living crisis, the financial giving of the congregation has been a source of practical support and encouragement. The church community has come together with generosity and solidarity, demonstrating a profound commitment to sustaining our church's vital ministries and operations in line with our vision and values. We are immensely grateful for the sacrificial giving and support of our congregation, which have enabled us to navigate this challenging period with grace and fortitude.

WELCOME AND HOSPITALITY

The Welcome and Hospitality Team at St Peter's plays a vital role in fulfilling the church's value of "Feels like family." The team's commitment and passion are evident every Sunday morning as they warmly greet and engage with all who walk through the doors, and provide refreshments, ensuring that each person feels seen, valued, and part of our community.

In 2024, the team has focused on developing their skills to serve in this important ministry. They have participated in dedicated training sessions on hospitality and effective welcoming practices, enhancing their ability to engage with visitors and create a lasting, positive impression. Additionally, they have received basic safeguarding training, ensuring that their ministry remains safe, respectful, and aligned with our church's safeguarding protocols.

Through their ongoing efforts, the Welcome and Hospitality Team continues to be a key part of the church's mission, helping people connect with one another and with God in a meaningful way each week.

ECUMENICAL RELATIONSHIPS

St. Peter's is proud to be part of the TABLE family of churches, all of which have been grafted or planted out of King's Cross Church (KXC) over the past few years. Ben and Hanelle, along with other leaders from our church, receive support from Pete and Bee Hughes, leaders of KXC. Throughout the year, our staff team has had the opportunity to meet with other staff teams from around the country, fostering collaboration and shared learning.

Maintaining strong relationships with other churches in the deanery remains a priority for us. As part of our grafting and planting strategy, we lead and resource St. James Kidbrooke and continue to provide relational and practical support for other churches and church leaders known to us.

DEANERY SYNOD

St. Peter's maintains active engagement with the Deptford Deanery through its two representatives on the Deanery Synod, one of whom serves as the Lay Chair, while the other fulfils the role of Deanery Secretary. Throughout 2024, the Deptford Deanery remained steadfast in its focus on Prayer, Collaboration, and Mission. The overarching aim of the Deanery's endeavours is to cultivate an ethos encapsulated by the mantra "rooted in my parish and connected to my deanery," empowering every church member to recognise their role in parish life, within the Deptford Deanery Churches, and the broader church community.

Reverend Anne Bennett has continued as the Area Dean, with the new appointment of Father Grant, All Saints Church, as Deputy Area Dean, and our own Colin Plant as Lay Chair. The Deanery Leadership Team convened regularly to deliberate on Diocesan initiatives impacting the Deanery and to organise forums addressing pertinent issues.

In the March Deanery Forum, a presentation from Christian Aid outlined the organisation's work. In May, the Deanery Ascension Day service took place at the Ascension Church, marking the onset of the national Thy Kingdom Come 10 days of prayer. In June, a Deanery Forum on safeguarding attracted a good representation from our Deanery churches. The topic was introduced by Margret Plant from St. Peter's, with knowledgeable and helpful contributions from all our Deanery churches, examining the issues surrounding safeguarding and the implications for churches.

Later in October, a Deanery Synod meeting featured discussions on Mission Action Planning, and a MAP is being constructed for the Deanery.

SAFEGUARDING

At the end of 2023, Margret Plant (Parish Safeguarding Officer) and Anne Whyte (Deputy PSO) conducted a safeguarding self-audit of the church, which resulted in the formation of a safeguarding working group. Accordingly, 2024 has centred around implementing recommended actions related to safeguarding. These have included better safeguarding signage around the church, improved organisation of our records and staff and volunteer training certificates, additional safeguarding resources on our website, and some safeguarding training with the kids' team. Anne also underwent further training with the diocese, which led to the development of another safeguarding plan. We were invited to share our safeguarding journey with the area deanery and, after a visit from the Archdeacon, to write a short article on what we have been doing to prioritise safeguarding at St. Peter's. Incidents and concerns that have arisen this year in our church and through Love Brockley community initiatives have been dealt with in collaboration with the Diocesan Safeguarding Team and, where necessary, Lewisham Social Services.

FINANCIAL REVIEW/EXPENDITURE

Total receipts were £776,182 (£660,734 2023)

The total receipts consisted of:

Voluntary giving of £541,438 (£449,242 2023)

Gift Aid recovered of £115,982 (£86,468 2023)

Grants of £87,261 (£81,017 2023)

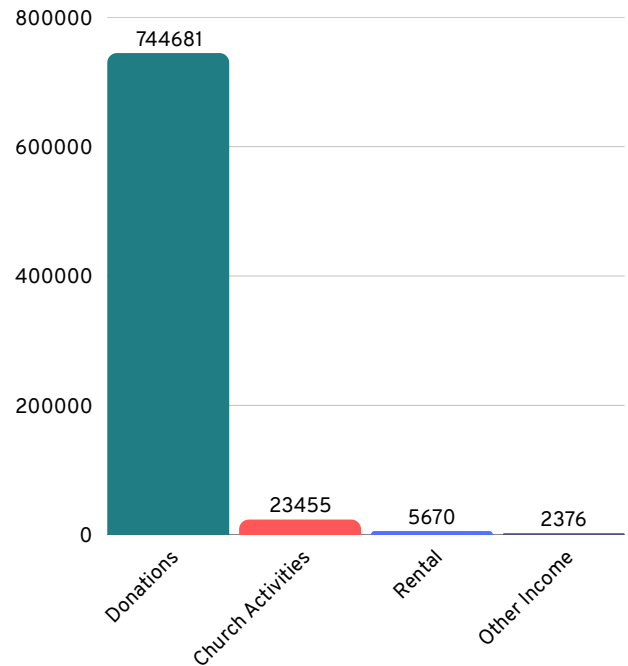
Other Income of £31,501 (£44,006 2023)

Voluntary giving increased by 15% with the number of givers increasing from 187 in January 2024 to 209 in December 2024.

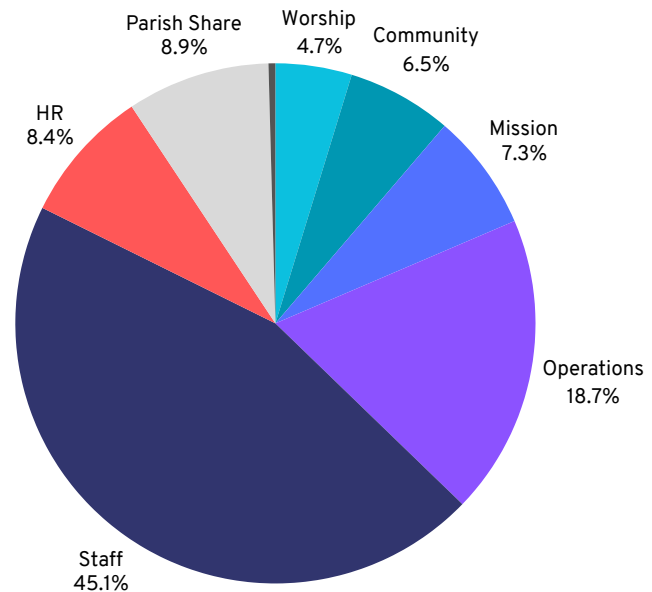
Expenditure for the year has increased on previous years due to the growth in activity and needs of the local community. Total expenditure for 2024 was £727,853, including our Parish Support Fund contribution of £64,725.

The total net assets at 31 December 2024 was £78,174 of which £6,887 was restricted and £59,725 was cash balance at the bank

TOTAL INCOME 2024: £776,182



TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES 2024: £720,171



RESERVES POLICY

It is the PCC policy to try to maintain a sufficient balance in our Bank Current Account to pay for our recurring and other normal expenditures for at least three months. When necessary, additional funds are transferred from the CCLA Deposit Fund to the current account to pay for one-off larger bills.

It is our policy to invest some of our fund balances with the interest-yielding CCLA Church of England Deposit Fund. The CCLA balance as of 31 December 2024 was £32,306 and formed part of the Net Assets.

GOVERNANCE AND MAINTENANCE

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) is a corporate body established by the Church of England, operating under the Parochial Church Council Powers Measure (1956 as amended) and the Church Representation Rules (2022). In 2018, the PCC became a charity registered with the Charity Commission for England and Wales (registered number 1180277). Membership of the PCC consists of the Incumbent, Churchwardens, Deanery Synod representatives, and elected members of the congregation who are on the electoral roll.

Churches in the Church of England are episcopally led and synodically governed. At St Peter's, leadership is provided by the leadership team,

governance is the main focus of the PCC, PCC members are also statutory trustees, and management is undertaken by employed staff and lead volunteers.

The purpose of the PCC is to provide robust and effective governance to the church, ensuring St Peter's complies with its statutory and legal obligations, while holding the leaders of the church to account for progress against the vision and values of the church.

The PCC met bi-monthly, with high attendance by members.



PCC MEMBERS 2024

January to April 2024

Church Leaders: Revd. Benjamin Jones - **Chair**
Mrs Hanelle Jones

Vice Chair: Mr Colin Plant

Curates: Revd. Joel Soares
Revd. Chris Gaul

Wardens: Ms Sarah Pellew
Mr Joel Power

**Representatives on Mr Colin Plant
the Deanery Synod:** Mrs Lynne Wilkinson

Elected members:

Ms Sarah-Salome Ajayi
Mr Phil Allen
Mr Christopher Harvey **Treasurer**
Mr Andy Parnham
Mrs Nita Rogers
Mr Christopher Stormont

Co-opted members

Mr Andy Coombe **PCC secretary**

April to December 2024

Church Leaders: Revd. Benjamin Jones - **Chair**
Mrs Hanelle Jones

Vice Chair: Mr Colin Plant

Curates: Revd. Joel Soares
Revd. Dom Toms

Wardens: Mrs Nita Rogers
Mr Joel Power

**Representatives on Mr Colin Plant
the Deanery Synod:** Mrs Lynne Wilkinson

Elected members:

Mr Martin Beard **Treasurer**
Ms Francesca Bignoux
Mr Seyi Olusile
Ms Phillippa Quinn
Ms Stephanie Uraih
Mr Christopher Stormont

Co-opted members

Mr Andy Coombe **PCC secretary**

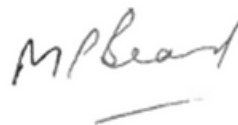
ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

St Peter's Church is situated on Wickham Road, Brockley, London SE4. It is part of the Diocese of Southwark within the Church of England. The correspondence address is St Peter's Brockley, Wickham Road, Brockley, London SE4 1LT.

Approved by the PCC on 24th March 2025 and signed on their behalf by



Revd. Benjamin Jones (Chair of PCC)



and Martin Beard (Treasurer)

INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of St Peter's Brockley, for the year ended 31 December 2024, which are set out on pages 24 to 31.

RESPONSIBILITIES AND BASIS OF REPORT

As the trustees of the Charity you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011.

I report in respect of my examination of the Trustees' accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT

Since the charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I 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 Charity 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.

C J Goodhead FCA
Knight Goodhead Limited
Chartered Accountants

7 Bournemouth Road
Chandler's Ford, Eastleigh
Hampshire SO53 3DA

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITY

FOR THE YEAR END DECEMBER 2024

	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	TOTAL FUNDS	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	TOTAL FUNDS
		2024			2023		
		£	£	£	£	£	£
INCOME FROM:							
Voluntary Income		657,572	87,110	744,681	510,905	105,823	616,728
Church Activities		23,455	-	23,455	41,313	-	41,313
Church Rental Income		5,670	-	5,670	510	-	510
Other Income		2,376	-	2,376	639	1,545	2,183
TOTAL INCOME	2	689,072	87,110	776,182	553,366	107,368	660,734
EXPENDITURE ON:							
Charitable Activities		621,337	103,422	724,759	576,126	141,850	717,976
Governance Costs		3,094	-	3,094	2,195	-	2,195
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	2	624,430	103,422	727,853	578,321	141,850	720,171
NET INCOME/ (EXPENDITURE) BEFORE TRANSFER OF FUNDS		64,642	(16,313)	48,329	(24,955)	(34,482)	(59,437)
Gross transfer in funds		1,742	(1,742)	-	(10,800)	10,800	-
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		66,384	(18,055)	48,329	(35,755)	(23,682)	(59,437)
Balances brought forward at 1 January 2024		4,852	24,942	29,794	40,607	48,624	89,231
BALANCES CARRIED FORWARD AT 31 DECEMBER 2024		71,236	6,888	78,124	4,852	24,942	29,794

BALANCE SHEET

FOR THE YEAR END DECEMBER 2024

		2024	2023
	Note	£	£
FIXED ASSETS			
General Fixed Assets		6,167	1,223
Kids Bus		0	4,983
Office Equipment		1,253	2,287
PA/AV Equipment		16,184	990
	5	23,604	9,483
CURRENT ASSETS			
Main Church Account		27,134	24,087
CCLA Deposit Account		32,306	0
Expense Card Accounts		153	7
Premium account		132	9,454
Loan	6	2,995	0
Prepayments	6	2,308	6,058
Giving owed to St Peters	6	14,215	6,299
Accounts Receivable	6	384	216
		79,626	46,120
LIABILITIES			
Account Payable		19,502	18,216
Accruals		3,760	3,560
Deposits for Room Hire		140	1,080
Deffered Income		0	1,794
Payroll Payable		1,705	1,160
Liabilities due within one year	7	(25,107)	(25,809)
NET CURRENT ASSETS			
		54,519	20,311
NET ASSETS			
		78,124	29,794
RESERVES			
Excess/ (deficit) to date		48,329	(59,437)
Starting Balances		29,794	89,231
		78,124	29,794
FUNDS			
	11		
Unrestricted		71,236	4,852
Restricted		6,887	24,942
		78,124	29,794

CASH FLOW STATEMENT

FOR THE YEAR END DECEMBER 2024

		2024	2023
	Notes	£	£
NET CASH FLOW PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES	1	46,671	(34,961)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Interest received		2,563	634
Purchase of fixed assets		(23,058)	(1,911)
NET CASH FLOW		26,177	(36,238)
		2024	2023
		£	£
Cash at the end of the year	2	59,725	33,548
Cash at start of the year		33,548	69,786
(Decrease)/increase in cash in the year		26,177	(36,238)

NOTES TO THE CASHFLOW STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

RECONCILIATION OF NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS TO NET CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	2024	2023
	£	£
Net movement in funds for the year	48,329	(59,437)
Dividends and interest received	(2,563)	(634)
Depreciation	4,929	7,299
Loss on disposal of fixed assets	4,008	513
(Increase)/Decrease in debtors	(7,329)	20,584
Increase/(decrease) in creditors	(702)	(3,286)
Net cash flow from operating activities	46,671	(34,961)

ANALYSIS OF CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	2024	2023
	£	£
Cash at bank and in hand	59,725	33,548
	59,725	33,548

NOTES 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

FOR THE YEAR END DECEMBER 2024

BASIS OF PREPARATION

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 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) (effective 1 January 2015) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2015.

The PCC meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy note(s).

RECONCILIATION WITH PREVIOUS GENERALLY ACCEPTED ACCOUNTING PRACTICE.

In preparing the accounts, the PCC has considered whether in applying the accounting policies required by FRS 102 and the Charities SORP (FRS 102) the restatement of comparative items was required. No restatements have been considered necessary.

FUNDS

General funds represent the funds of the PCC that are not subject to any restrictions regarding their use and are available for application on the general purposes of the PCC. Restricted funds are those donated for specific purposes.

INCOME

• *Voluntary income and capital sources*

Donations and other income are recognised when received and an estimate of income tax recoverable is recognised when the related donations are recognised.

Grants and legacies to the PCC are accounted for as soon as the PCC is notified of its legal entitlement, the amount due is quantifiable and its ultimate receipt by the PCC is probable.

Sales of books and magazines from the church bookstall are accounted for gross.

• *Other income*

Rental income from the letting of church premises is recognised when the rental is due.

• *Gifts in Kind*

Gifts in kind are accounted for at a reasonable estimate of their value to the charity or the amount actually realised.

• *Income from investments*

Dividends are accounted for when due and payable. Interest entitlements are accounted for as they accrue. Tax recoverable on such income is recognised in the same accounting year.

• *Gains and losses on investments*

Realised gains or losses are recognised when investments are sold.

Unrealised gains or losses are accounted for on revaluation of investments at 31 December.

• *Grants*

Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over, or when awarded.

FOR THE YEAR END DECEMBER 2024

EXPENDITURE

Church activities

The diocesan Common Fund is accounted for when paid. Any Common Fund unpaid at 31 December is provided for in these accounts as an operational (though not a legal) liability and is shown as a creditor in the Balance Sheet.

Expenditure incurred in the operation of the church is classed as charitable activities.

FIXED ASSETS

Fixed assets used by the PCC

In the absence of an actual cost, the insurance valuation has been used as the deemed cost for operational assets, with no depreciation charge being made during the year due to the long life of the asset and regular maintenance.

OTHER FIXTURES, FITTINGS AND OFFICE REQUIREMENTS

Only items of greater than £500 are capitalised. Church worship equipment comprises a number of electrical and other items connected with sound, vision and worship. They will be depreciated over three years from date of first use. Computer and office equipment and furnishings are depreciated over three years from date of first use.

CONSECRATED PROPERTY AND MOVEABLE CHURCH FURNISHINGS

Consecrated and beneficed property of any kind is excluded from the accounts by s.10 of the Charities Act 2011.

Moveable church furnishings held by the Vicar and Churchwardens on special trust for the PCC, and which require a faculty for disposal, are accounted as inalienable property unless consecrated. They are listed in the church's Inventory which can be inspected (at any reasonable time). For inalienable property acquired prior to 2003 there is insufficient cost information available and therefore such assets are not valued in the accounts. No such items have been acquired since 1 January 2003.

All expenditure incurred in the year on consecrated or beneficed buildings or on the repair of movable church furnishings acquired before 1 January 2003 is written off.

CURRENT ASSETS

Amounts owing to the PCC at 31 December in respect of fees, rents or other income are shown as debtors less provision for amounts that may prove uncollectable.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

FOR THE YEAR END DECEMBER 2024

INCOME	2024			2023		
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
Donation	£	£	£	£	£	£
Total Donation	657,572	87,110	744,681	510,905	105,823	616,728
Church Activities						
Total Church Activities	23,455	-	23,455	41,313	-	41,313
Rental						
Total Rental	5,670	-	5,670	510	-	510
Other Income						
Total Other Income	2,376	-	2,376	639	1,545	2,183
Total Income	689,072	87,110	776,182	553,366	107,368	660,734
EXPENSES						
Worship						
Total Worship	32,535	1,991	34,526	23,474	2,981	26,454
Community						
Total Community	43,502	4,044	47,546	77,551	17,458	95,009
Mission						
Total Mission	25,775	27,270	53,044	43,438	33,226	76,664
Operations						
Total Operations	125,448	10,421	135,869	84,518	12,347	96,866
Staff						
Total Staff	300,976	27,230	328,207	266,876	43,434	310,310
Human Resources						
Total Staff	28,375	32,467	60,842	38,270	32,403	70,673
Parish Share	64,725	-	64,725	42,000	-	42,000
Total Parish Share	64,725	-	64,725	42,000	-	42,000
Governance						
Total Governance	3,094	-	3,094	2,195	-	2,195
Total Operating Expenses	624,430	103,422	727,853	578,320	141,850	720,172

NOTES 3-11 FOR THE YEAR END DECEMBER 2024

3. STAFF COSTS	2024	2023
	£	£
Wages and salaries (incl PAYE)	279,251	264,820
Social security costs	16,508	14,276
Pension Costs	6,383	4,988
Freelance Staff costs	26,065	26,225
	328,207	310,310
	2024	2023
Total amount of staff employed	14	16
No staff member was paid over £60,000 in 2024		

4. Mission Grants	Grant Amount	Purpose
Congregation in Need	3,824	Fellowship Fund
Growing Hope	9,996	
Spinnaker Trust	1,200	
London City Mission	1,100	
Power the Fight	700	
Fountain of Peace	700	
Other	370	
St Stephens School	900	
Tea Deck	912	
The Spring	3,648	
Vinjeru School	1,300	
Total	24,650	

5. FIXED ASSETS FOR USE BY THE PCC	General Fixed Assets	Kids Bus	Office Equipment	PA/AV Equipment	Total
	£	£	£	£	£
Actual/Revalued Cost. At 1 Jan 2024	8,192	6,500	6,185	28,385	49,262
Additions during year	5,922	0	0	17,136	23,058
Disposals during year	0	(6,500)	(1,078)	(1,088)	(8,666)
At 31 December 2024	14,114	0	5,107	44,433	63,654
Depreciation at 1 January 2024	6,969	1,517	3,898	27,395	39,779
Charge for the year	978	975	1,034	1,942	4,929
Disposals during year		(2,492)	(1,078)	(1,089)	(4,658)
At 31 December 2024	7,947	0	3,854	28,249	40,050
Net Book Value at 1 January 2024	1,223	4,983	2,287	990	9,483
At 31 December 2024	6,167	0	1,253	16,184	23,604

NOTES 3-11 CONTINUED

FOR THE YEAR END DECEMBER 2024

6. Debtors	2024	2023
Prepayments and accrued income	2,308	6,058
Short term loan	2,995	0
Giving owed to St Peters	14,215	6,299
Accounts Receivable	384	216
Total	19,901	12,572

7. Creditors (amounts falling due less than one year)	2024	2023
Accounts Payable	19,502	18,216
Accruals	3,760	3,560
Deposit for room hire	140	1,080
Deferred Income	0	1,794
Payroll Payable	1,705	1,160
Total Current Liabilities	25,107	25,809

8. Contingent Liabilities

There were no contingent liabilities at the end of 31st December 2024. (2023: None)

9. Related Party Transactions	Name	Relationship	2024	2023	Duties
	Hanelle Jones	Wife of Incumbent	24,879	24,053	Community Engagement
	Margret Plant	Wife of PCC Member	1,455	8,404	Supplier

NOTES 3-11 CONTINUED

FOR THE YEAR END DECEMBER 2024

10. Restricted Funds						
Donor	Purpose	Opening Balance	Income	Expenditure	Transfer from general funds	Closing Balance
		£	£	£	£	£
CRT	New Worshiping Community	(2,692)	35,557	(32,467)	0	398
Diocese of Southwark	Kids Work	0	884	0	0	884
Lottery Grant	Screen	1,490	0	(1,490)	0	0
Various Donors	Building Fund	20,701	0	(8,398)	(12,303)	0
Various Donors	Foodbank	(0)	44,641	(52,383)	7,743	0
Various Donors	Fellowship Fund	0	1,382	(3,824)	2,442	0
Various Donors	Love Brockley	(0)	1,959	(1,517)	0	442
Diocese of Southwark	Youth Boxing	1,726	0	(594)	0	1,132
Various Donors	Growing Hope	0	2,312	(2,688)	376	0
Various Donors	Unconditional	3,717	375	(60)	0	4,032
Total Restricted funds		24,942	87,109	(103,421)	(1,742)	6,888

11. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BY FUND	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	TOTAL FUNDS
Cash & deposit balances	52,837	6,888	59,725
Fixed Assets	23,604	0	23,604
Other Assets	19,901	0	19,901
Total Assets	96,343	6,888	103,231
Current Liabilities	(25,107)	0	(25,107)
	71,236	6,888	78,124

Accounts

ANNUAL REPORT 2023



ST PETER'S
BROCKLEY



FEELS LIKE FAMILY

Church is a diverse family where we can be fully known, unconditionally loved and become who we're created to be.

EMPOWERED BY THE SPIRIT

We are filled, led and empowered by the Holy Spirit to do what we see the Father doing.

MAKE JESUS KNOWN

Everything we do is an opportunity for others to experience the love and power of Jesus and find fullness of life in him.

FREED BY TRUTH

The bible is our go to source for truth, it sets our hearts on fire and its authority in our lives leads to freedom.

EVERYDAY NOT AN EVENT

Spending time with Jesus, becoming like him, doing what he did and helping one another do the same happens every day, not just Sunday.

AMBITIOUSLY LOCAL

We want to see heaven come where we live through Villages, community ministries and by planting and grafting across SE London.

VISION AND VALUES

The purpose of St Peter's Parochial Church Council (PCC) is to hold the staff leadership team to account in staying true to the vision and values of the church.

VISION

To play our part in bringing heaven to South East London.

MISSION

We play our part by making disciples who make disciples - people who spend time with Jesus, become like him, do the things he did and help others do the same.



WORSHIP

SERVICES

As we gathered on Sundays for our services throughout 2023, we experienced beautiful moments of encountering God in worship, uplifting one another with testimonies from the week, and discerning his voice through prophecy and the Scriptures. Additionally, we fervently prayed for one another, experiencing the transformative power of the Holy Spirit.

Amidst the joy and energy of our gatherings, including the lively presence of children and the aroma of freshly baked croissants, we welcomed an average of 160 adults each Sunday morning. It was heartening to witness individuals finding a sense of belonging and connection, with one newcomer expressing that attending for the first time felt like 'coming home.' We attribute this to our intentional focus on prioritising God's presence during our gatherings.

Our evening services provided an extended opportunity for worship and fellowship, leading to remarkable Sundays in 2023 where worship continued into the night, and the tangible presence of God was strongly felt in our midst.

In response to these powerful encounters, we began documenting instances of healings, prophetic revelations, and testimonies, acknowledging our growth in embracing the work of the Holy Spirit within our community.



COMMUNITY CHOIR

The Love Brockley Community Choir embarked on its inaugural 10 week programme in September 2023, with the aim of fostering unity through song and community, while honing vocal skills, learning new melodies, and preparing for a live culminating performance.

We had 25 individuals join the choir.

From the outset, the diversity of the Brockley community was on full display, as individuals from all walks of life and backgrounds gathered for the first session. As the weeks unfolded, a sense of camaraderie emerged, with participants learning to embrace their fears and inhibitions in a supportive environment, where acceptance prevailed and strangers quickly became like family.

Two participants, initially drawn to the choir through our Social Supermarket initiative, shared transformative experiences. One expressed gratitude for the newfound freedom from anxiety, a burden she had carried for years, attributing her newfound sociability to the choir's uplifting atmosphere. Another participant, who had long wrestled with anger, discovered an unprecedented sense of joy through the program. Empowered by the experience, she delivered a soul-stirring solo during the showcase, a testament to her newfound confidence and inner transformation.

The showcase itself was a resounding success, attracting 200 guests, many of whom were newcomers to St. Peter's. These visitors were subsequently invited to our Christmas services and Life Course, extending the ripple of community outreach and connection beyond the confines of our building.

As we reflect on these achievements, we offer praise to God for the innovative avenues through which we've been able to extend love and inclusion to the Brockley community, welcoming those who might otherwise never have crossed our threshold.



COMMUNITY

LITTLE FISHES

Throughout 2023, Little Fishes remained a cherished gathering point for approximately 40 children, along with their caregivers and adults, each week. Serving as a refuge for parents, carers, and childminders alike, the programme welcomed many familiar faces, providing a sense of continuity as the children grew and progressed through various church activities.

Our efforts to infuse Jesus's presence into this group have been ongoing, and we now incorporate prayer sessions and brief Bible stories or reflections into our weekly gatherings. It's heartening to witness the spiritual growth and engagement of both children and adults within the Little Fishes community, as they continue to find nurture amidst their busy lives.

BUMPS AND BABIES

Throughout 2023, we warmly welcomed approximately 25 parents and their precious bumps and babies into our facility every Monday afternoon. Bumps and Babies not only provides essential feeding support to mothers but also offers a nurturing environment for women and their infants right from the earliest stages of their parenting journey.

We believe that God's presence has infused this group with a sense of peace, as evidenced by the numerous comments we receive weekly about the tranquil atmosphere.

On one occasion, a new mother attending with her eight-month-old baby experienced severe stomach pain. The compassionate team members gathered around her, prayed fervently for healing, and witnessed the pain dissipate completely before her departure to seek further medical assistance. The following week, she returned, expressing gratitude for the prayer and miraculous healing she had experienced. Since then, she has become a regular attendee on Sundays, a testament to the profound impact of prayer and the welcoming community fostered within our group.

YOUTH

This year, we witnessed the powerful work of God in our youth ministry, as the group flourished to approximately 20 attendees each week, with a total of 40 individuals considered part of our youth family. The time spent together on the bus has served as a catalyst for deepening relationships and nurturing a closer connection to Jesus among our youth. Following each session, we have observed a palpable hunger for more of God's presence, with many lingering to experience His touch further.

For some, our youth group has been a transformative experience, providing a space where meaningful friendships have blossomed. One young person shared that this was the first time they truly felt a sense of belonging and camaraderie within a youth group setting.

YOUTH CONTINUED

Furthermore, it is heartening to witness how many choose to remain long after the formal session concludes, eager to continue basking in the fellowship and spiritual atmosphere.

During a recent youth weekend away, one of our youth members encountered a profound experience with the Holy Spirit. This significant moment marked a turning point in their faith journey, as they spoke in tongues for the first time. The impact of this encounter reverberates throughout our youth community, serving as a testament to the transformative power of God's presence in the lives of our young people.

KIDS

In 2023, our Kids Ministry experienced continued growth and vibrancy on Sunday mornings, with an average of 70 children attending and actively participating in one of our four dedicated kids rooms. Additionally, we maintained a register of over 140 children who regularly engaged with our programmes, highlighting the significant impact of our ministry within the community.

A notable development within the Rockets programme (Year 2 – Year 6) was the establishment of a permanent home in the marquee located in the church's back garden. This dedicated space facilitated successful and consistent sessions, fostering a sense of regularity and cohesion among the participants. An exciting addition to our Rockets sessions was the introduction of worship, with assistance from members of the main worship team. The children enthusiastically engaged in singing and actions before delving into a time of encountering and receiving from the Lord, providing them with an opportunity to hear from God and respond in their own unique ways.

In the younger rooms, namely Comets, Galaxies, and Shooting Stars, children continued to explore and engage with creative and enjoyable ways of learning about God and interacting with the Holy Spirit.



Christmas was a particularly special time for our Rockets children, who showcased their talents in two nativity performances with separate casts. This logistical feat allowed for the involvement of a greater number of children in speaking roles, creating a memorable and inclusive experience for all. Additionally, at the Christingle services, all the children came together to perform a song, attracting numerous visitors who joined us with their families to partake in the festivities and receive Christingle oranges.

Our Summer Club held in July provided a delightful blend of dancing, singing, art, and circle time sessions centred around the theme of friendship. With 40 children in attendance throughout the week, the culmination of activities included a heartwarming performance of songs and dances in front of family and friends, followed by a festive family BBQ that extended the celebration.

PASTORAL CARE

In 2023, pastoral care at St. Peter's Brockley underwent significant growth and transition. The congregation expanded in size, necessitating a corresponding evolution in our approach to pastoral care.

This transition decentralised pastoral care to the Villages, a strategy that has yielded beautiful results. Village leaders received training in caring for their members and were encouraged to collaborate with leadership when facing questions or challenging situations. As a result, Village leaders mobilised their groups to offer various forms of support during times of bereavement and the arrival of new babies, among other situations. Many individuals with complex needs received practical, emotional, and spiritual care from their Village members, alongside referrals to external counsellors and support agencies. The emergence of an 'every-member ministry' stemming from this transition has been profoundly encouraging.

Similarly, this sense of familial support is evident in the collaborative efforts of Village members. The ethos of 'Feels like Family' has become increasingly tangible at St. Peter's, promising further growth and deepening connections in the future.

Looking ahead to 2024, our plans include ongoing training and support for Village leaders. Additionally, we will launch a pilot Emotional Health Group led by a trained therapist, and offer training for those interested in learning more about inner-healing prayer.

RHYTHM

Rhythm is a distinctive space within St. Peter's where the art of movement and dance converges with worship to God. Our goal is to harness the power of dance to glorify God, engage in prayerful intercession, and prophesy. With each passing month, Rhythm continues to flourish, drawing individuals into an encounter with the liberating, love filled presence of God through dance and movement.

For one trained dancer, attending Rhythm marked a pivotal moment as he seamlessly intertwined dance with worship for the first time. He expressed feeling enveloped by God's presence and overwhelming love throughout the experience. Similarly, another attendee initially participated in the dance but soon found herself overcome by God's tangible presence, unable to move for half an hour as she soaked in His divine presence.

Countless others have testified to encountering a profound sense of freedom, joy, peace, and newfound confidence at Rhythm. They speak of experiencing breakthroughs in their lives, hearing from God, and feeling emotionally uplifted after immersing themselves in worship.

The impact of Rhythm extends beyond the walls of St. Peter's, as it has now expanded to King's Cross Church (KXC) as part of their midweek prayer and worship gatherings. Additionally, discussions are underway about introducing Rhythm at St. Gregory's in Cornwall (who are part of the Table Network), underscoring the growing resonance and influence of this transformative movement.



DANCE

Dance at St. Peter's embodies a vibrant and inclusive community where individuals of all ages come together to embrace the joy of movement and expression. Throughout 2023, our dance programme has flourished, welcoming over 200 students weekly, spanning from toddlers to adults, along with their siblings and parents. Led by five dedicated teachers and two assistants, our classes offer a diverse range of styles, ensuring there's something for everyone to enjoy.

Our commitment to accessibility and inclusivity is paramount, as we strive to remove barriers and create a welcoming space for all. Through acts of kindness, prayer, and heartfelt invitation, we've had the privilege of witnessing approximately 25 individuals transition from our dance studio to Sunday services and other church events, experiencing the transformative power of community and faith.

One poignant example was when we discerned that a child in our class was struggling with sadness, prompting us to offer gentle encouragement and compassion during ballet sessions. The following week, we observed a remarkable shift in her demeanour, a tangible testament to the healing and restoration facilitated through our dance community.

In addition to providing a space for physical and emotional healing, our dance classes have sparked numerous conversations about faith, with many non-believing families from the local community receiving prayer and support. One touching story involves a mother, once a professional ballerina herself, initially hesitant to enrol her daughter, immediately felt at ease as she was greeted with warmth and acceptance upon entering our studio and community.

Our commitment to social impact extends beyond the dance floor, as profits generated from our programme are reinvested into the church while also funding bursary places for families facing financial hardship.

By offering these bursaries, we ensure that our dance programme remains accessible to all, embodying the spirit of inclusivity and generosity that defines our community at St. Peter's.

BOXTRUE

In September 2023, our hearts were stirred to launch Boxtrue, a transformative ministry designed to provide young people with a dynamic and constructive after-school activity. Recognising the challenges faced by many adolescents who lack positive outlets for their energy and time, we felt compelled to open our church doors as a sanctuary of growth and empowerment.

Boxtrue emerged from a vision to create a space where teenage boys and girls could not only learn the art of boxing but also discover invaluable life lessons that would equip them for the journey ahead. With our main hall transformed into a vibrant gym environment, we sought to foster an atmosphere of discipline, resilience, and personal development. Beyond the physical training, which promotes fitness and strength, Boxtrue endeavours to nurture mental fortitude, instil self-esteem, and foster a sense of belonging and community.

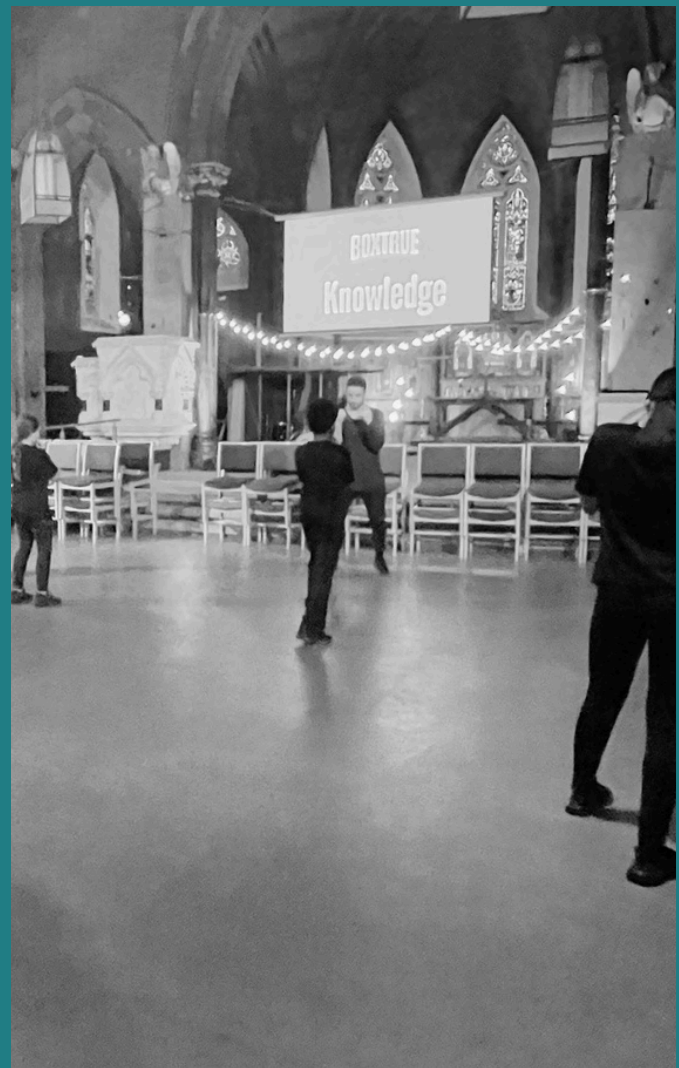
Through structured boxing sessions, participants are encouraged to push their boundaries, overcome challenges, and discover their inner strength.

Moreover, woven into the fabric of Boxtrue is a deep reverence for biblical teachings, which serve as a guiding light for navigating life's complexities. Each session includes discussions on topics such as perseverance, integrity, and compassion, drawing parallels between the discipline of boxing and the challenges of daily life.

The response to Boxtrue has been truly inspiring, drawing young people from our local community who may not have previously engaged with church activities. Beyond its impact on individual participants, Boxtrue has become a catalyst for building connections and fostering a sense of unity within our church family.

Recognising the transformative potential of Boxtrue, we are deeply grateful for the support of the diocese, which has provided us with a grant to expand our reach and offer the programme to more young people. As we embark on the second run of Boxtrue, our hearts are filled with hope and anticipation for the lives that will be touched and transformed through this empowering ministry.

With each session, we are committed to cultivating an environment where young people can flourish both physically and spiritually, equipping them with the tools and resilience they need to navigate the challenges of adolescence and emerge as confident, compassionate, and empowered individuals.



MISSION

STREET SUNDAYS

Street Sundays exemplified St. Peter's commitment to fulfilling Jesus's mandate to share God's love and power beyond the confines of the Church. Each month, during a Sunday morning service, St. Peter's dispatched teams of individuals to engage with people in nearby streets, parks, shopping areas, and cafes. This initiative was inclusive and open to everyone at St. Peter's, whether they were first-timers or seasoned participants, and often unfolded with a palpable sense of excitement as the Holy Spirit guided these encounters to people in whom He was working.

The encounters between the teams and the people they met were often profound, leading to meaningful exchanges and opportunities for prayer and spiritual guidance prompted by the Holy Spirit. Upon returning to church, the teams frequently shared stories brimming with excitement, having witnessed God's transformative work firsthand.

In one memorable instance, a new team member accompanied an experienced team member and engaged in conversation with a young man who identified as an atheist. Upon learning that the young man worked at a mental health facility, the team member, who happened to be familiar with the institution and lived nearby, forged a connection that led to a deeper conversation about God's love. By the end of their interaction, the young man, initially hesitant, requested a Christmas invitation card he had previously declined.

There have been numerous stories shared while the team have been out ministering, below are a few, just a glimpse of the many impactful interactions that occurred during Street Sundays, highlighting the profound impact of extending God's love and grace beyond the church walls.

- A young man who had distanced himself from his Catholic upbringing and professed atheism. Through the conversation, he gained insight into the spiritual activity in his neighbourhood.
- An artist was encouraged to embrace God's role in inspiring creativity.
- A woman burdened by her caregiving responsibilities found solace in receiving prayer.
- Overseas students arriving in the country received an unexpected warm welcome.
- Three young men listened attentively to a testimony of God's healing from cancer.

LIFE COURSE

In 2023, the Life Course continued to offer guidance to those navigating life's complex questions. Conducted three times throughout the year, the course attracted a dynamic group of 20 to 40 individuals, each bringing their unique perspectives and life experiences to the table. What made these gatherings truly special was the diverse mix of attendees, ranging from curious seekers to staunch atheists, all united by a shared quest for deeper meaning and spiritual fulfilment.

With unwavering commitment, our team crafted a nurturing environment where participants felt free to explore their doubts, wrestle with their beliefs, and engage in thought-provoking discussions about the teachings of Jesus. Through a blend of interactive sessions, sincere conversations, and soul-stirring testimonies, we aimed to sow seeds of hope and inspiration in the hearts of those who walked through our doors.

Among the many remarkable stories that unfolded, one stands out as a testament to the transformative power of faith. An avowed atheist, grappling with sudden onset blindness, found himself at a crossroad, grappling with existential questions and seeking divine intervention. Miraculously healed through a combination of fervent prayer and medical intervention, they were drawn to the Life Course, driven by a newfound curiosity and a longing to understand God's mercy.

What transpired during their journey through the course, amidst the warmth of their fellow participants, they experienced a profound encounter with the Holy Spirit. Embarking on a transformative journey they embraced the teachings of Jesus wholeheartedly and, in a powerful display of their newfound conviction, chose to seal their commitment through the sacrament of baptism.

Their story serves as a poignant reminder of the life-changing impact the Life Course can have, reaffirming our mission to provide a welcoming sanctuary where individuals from all walks of life can find belonging, purpose, and ultimately, redemption. As we reflect on the profound transformations witnessed in 2023, we are filled with gratitude for the opportunity to walk alongside our community members on their journey of faith and discovery.

VILLAGES

St. Peter's has increasingly prioritised discipleship in recent years. As Sunday congregations expanded, it became challenging to foster deep connections and discipleship within the context of Sunday services alone.

To address this, we revamped and relaunched Villages at the end of 2022, positioning them as the primary avenue for disciple-making.

Villages are mid-week, mid-sized, home-based communities designed to facilitate three key objectives:

- **Community:** Providing an environment where members can develop deep relationships and love for one another, fostering a sense of family.
- **Discipleship:** Offering support and encouragement to help each other grow closer to Jesus, emulate his character, and follow in his footsteps.
- **Evangelism:** Equipping members to share the love and power of Jesus within their local communities.

Our vision to witness heaven's impact on South East London hinges on our commitment to living as disciples and empowering others to do the same within their local contexts.

VILLAGES CONTINUED

This year marked the first full year of the new Villages initiative. By the end of 2023, we had established 11 Villages across various locations. Although the Village in Forest Hill closed mid-year, the transition enabled members to continue their journey at Holy Trinity church and nearby Catford Village.

Approximately 150 individuals are linked to Villages, with weekly engagement averaging about half this number. Village leaders have the flexibility to guide their communities in ways that best promote community, discipleship, and evangelism. Some utilise their own discussion resources, while others draw material provided by Sunday speakers, encouraging deeper exploration of each Sunday message and collective discernment of God's calling.

Additionally, we organised three 'Ambitiously Local Sundays' throughout the year. On these designated Sundays, Villages gathered in homes instead of attending the regular Sunday morning service, focusing on prayer and collaborative efforts to share Jesus' love with their neighbourhoods. Activities included prayer walks, prophetic ministry, healing on the streets, and other initiatives to engage with our neighbours.

VILLAGES 2023

Brockley
Crofton Park
Ladywell
Nunhead
Peckham
Deptford
Charlton
Kidbrooke
Catford
Crystal Palace

CHURCH PLANTING

ST JAMES KIDBROOKE

In the autumn of 2022, St. Peter's forged a partnership with St. James' Kidbrooke to provide support following the retirement of their incumbent of thirty years. Chris Gaul and Dom and Alice Toms joined St. James' to share leadership of the church during the interregnum, with Ben Jones assuming the role of Priest-in-Charge. Chris, serving as St. Peter's pioneer curate, and Dom, then an ordinand, officially became a curate in the summer of 2023.

Throughout 2023, Chris, Dom, and Alice provided steadfast support to St. James', and in October of that year, they were joined by a small grafting group from St. Peter's. This group, comprising approximately twenty adults and children, began the transition process, contributing to the vitality of St. James' community.

Starting from the autumn, several adjustments were made, including moving the communion service to 9am, facilitated by the generous agreement of the PCC and regular service attendees, to create space for a new weekly family service. Since its inception, the family service has flourished, attracting around 60 adults and 20 children. Concurrently, existing and new community ministries have experienced growth and success.

Exploration of additional planting and grafting opportunities commenced towards the end of 2023, with further developments anticipated in 2024.

SOCIAL SUPERMARKET

Our Social Supermarket has had the opportunity to provide support for approximately 100 households each week, extending its reach to touch the lives of around 320 individuals. Beyond providing essential food supplies, our supermarket serves as a sanctuary of compassion and care, where guests find not only nourishment for their bodies but also comfort for their souls.

For those who walk through our doors, the experience goes beyond the transactional exchange of goods. It's a place where they can pause, enjoy a hot beverage, and engage in conversations with our volunteers. Many have expressed their gratitude, echoing the sentiments of one guest who remarked, "I came in for food, but you have given me so much more."

Among our guests is a refugee family facing immense challenges, including a father who recently suffered a stroke and can no longer work. For them, the food we provide isn't just sustenance—it's a lifeline that helps them put a meal on the table amidst their hardships. Moreover, it's a space where they can receive not only practical assistance but also the healing power of prayer.

Over time, our Social Supermarket has become a place of miraculous encounters, with numerous instances of healing and transformation. Many who arrived burdened by chronic pain have left our premises feeling relieved and renewed, their faith in the power of prayer reaffirmed. Even delivery drivers, passing through on their routes, have been touched by the outpouring of love and support.

Beyond its tangible impact, our supermarket serves as a vital community hub, fostering connections and friendships among our volunteers. For some, it's a lifeline, offering a reason to step out of their homes and engage with others. It's also a testament to the inclusive nature of our mission, drawing in dedicated individuals from the wider community who, though not part of our congregation, embody the spirit of compassion and service.

As we reflect on the profound impact of our Social Supermarket we extend our deepest gratitude to our team of volunteers who, week after week, pour their hearts into making this vital ministry possible. Their unwavering dedication and selflessness are the driving force behind the transformative work we continue to witness in our community.



**ST PETER'S
BROCKLEY
SOCIAL
SUPERMARKET**



CREATION CLUB

Creation Club, our after-school programme for primary school-aged children, takes place every Wednesday and offers a delightful blend of snacks, games, and engaging activities. Rooted in the theme of Creation, we explore the wonders of God's handiwork and discuss our responsibility to care for it. Drawing inspiration from scripture, each session delves into different aspects of God's magnificent creation, empowering children to become active stewards of the environment.

Guided by the creativity of God the Creator, we incorporate plenty of art projects into our sessions, providing children with opportunities to express themselves artistically while honing their creative skills. Our inclusive approach attracts not only children from our church community but also youngsters from the local area who may not attend church regularly.

Throughout the year, our topics have ranged from Rainforests and Landscapes to Oceans and the impact of single-use plastic. Towards the end of the year, we focused on caring for the most vulnerable individuals worldwide, with a special emphasis on children affected by conflict. In a heartwarming display of compassion and generosity, we organised a fundraising sale just before Christmas to support children impacted by the conflicts in Ukraine and Gaza.

The sale featured a variety of second-hand goods, handmade Christmas decorations crafted by our Creation Clubbers, and delicious baked treats. Prior to the event, we gathered together for a moment of prayer, seeking God's blessing on our endeavour. The children enthusiastically manned their stalls during the sale, showcasing their entrepreneurial spirit and dedication to the cause. Thanks to their efforts, we successfully raised £300, which was donated to Action Aid to aid in their relief efforts. We are immensely proud of the children's engagement and the positive impact they have made through their kindness and generosity.



OPPERATION FOREGIVENESS

Operation Forgiveness is a London City Mission initiative, is a vital programme designed to empower young individuals with the profound concept of forgiveness, serving as a direct response to the pressing issue of youth violence and knife crime. Throughout 2023, a committed team of individuals from St Peter's dedicated themselves to becoming facilitators for this impactful initiative. They underwent comprehensive training to equip themselves with the necessary skills and knowledge to effectively deliver the one-day program.

Once trained, the team ventured into a local school, where they passionately shared the poignant narratives of individuals impacted by knife crime tragedies, highlighting the devastating consequences while also emphasising the transformative power of forgiveness. By engaging with students in meaningful discussions and interactive sessions, they aimed to inspire hope, foster understanding, and encourage positive choices.

As they witnessed the profound impact of their efforts on the young minds they interacted with, the team found fulfilment in knowing that they were contributing to the collective effort to address youth violence and promote healing in their community. Looking ahead to 2024, they eagerly anticipate further opportunities to collaborate with local schools, deepen their impact, and continue spreading the message of forgiveness and reconciliation.

CHRISTIANS AGAINST POVERTY (CAP) JOB CLUB

The St. Peter's CAP Job Club is for individuals navigating the challenges of unemployment and career transitions. Our doors are open to those who have been grappling with prolonged joblessness, facing workplace difficulties, or seeking new career pathways.

Aligned with the national CAP scheme and in collaboration with other Job Clubs, our club offers a comprehensive range of services aimed at empowering individuals on their journey to employment. From assistance with CV writing and job applications to honing interview skills and providing motivation and goal-setting support, we strive to equip our members with the tools they need to succeed in today's competitive job market.

In 2023 St Peters ran three 8 week job clubs, in spring, summer and winter. Over 40 people attended the clubs, ages ranging from 20 to over 75 years. At least 50% of those attended were able to find employment or voluntary work during or shortly after the end of the courses. Very strong positive feedback from course members was received, demonstrating the value given to the personal and group support from job club coaches and other course members.

At the heart of our Job Club is a dedicated team of individuals whose expertise, experience, and unwavering commitment shine through in every interaction. Their warm demeanour and genuine compassion create a nurturing environment where individuals feel supported and encouraged as they navigate their employment journey.

Together, we stand as a community of hope and resilience, united in our mission to empower individuals and restore dignity through meaningful employment.

UNCONDITIONAL

Unconditional, our domestic abuse support group, provides vital assistance to individuals affected by domestic abuse in the SE4 area. Operating bi-monthly during term time, our group offers both practical and psychological support to those navigating the complexities of domestic violence.

Led by trained facilitators, Unconditional offers the 'Own My Life' programme, a 12-week course designed to empower women who have experienced or are currently enduring abuse to reclaim control over their lives. This transformative course equips participants with the tools and resources needed to break free from the cycle of abuse and move towards healing and empowerment.

In 2023, we expanded our services by establishing a crèche, which has become an integral component of our support group. This initiative has enabled more individuals to access our services, removing barriers to participation and ensuring that those in need can receive the support they deserve.

Throughout our sessions, we offer prayer for those in attendance, with 95% of participants expressing a desire for prayer at the conclusion of each session. This spiritual support, coupled with encouragement fostered within the group, has been instrumental in helping attendees find strength and resilience in the face of adversity. Friendships have blossomed within the group, providing a source of comfort and solidarity for individuals navigating challenging circumstances. Through mutual support, encouragement, and prayer, participants have found empowerment as they journey towards healing and wholeness.

MARY AND MARTHA'S CAFE

In 2023, one of the Love Brockley initiatives that thrived and expanded was the Mary and Martha's Café. This monthly gathering served as a place of warmth, companionship, and culinary delight for many individuals who grappled with loneliness and isolation. Drawing together a diverse group of attendees, many of whom were non church attendees, the café became a cherished space where people could come together over a shared meal and enjoy each other's company.

At the heart of Mary and Martha's Café were its dedicated volunteers, a committed team comprising individuals from various backgrounds and walks of life, many of whom did not typically engage with church activities. Unified by a shared passion for serving others, these volunteers worked tirelessly to curate delectable, nutritious menus, of which they chose monthly in collaboration with skilled chefs. Their efforts extended beyond the confines of the café, as they also endeavoured to deliver meals to housebound neighbours, spreading warmth and nourishment to those in need.

In the words of some of the Mary and Martha's Cafe volunteers:

"I enjoyed volunteering at the Mary and Martha Cafe. It was relaxing work even though I was always rushed off my feet to cut the vegetables and salad. I really enjoyed how people of varying ages and backgrounds enjoyed each other's company. The food was always good, filling and plentiful. "

"It was like throwing a birthday party for everyone- all are invited. It was very joyful. "

For both volunteers and guests alike, Mary and Martha's Café embodied the essence of home, a welcoming haven where meaningful connections were forged, stories were shared, and hearts were uplifted. Attendees fondly reminisced about the camaraderie and joy that permeated the café, describing it as a place where everyone felt included and celebrated.

Many felt Mary and Martha's Café was more than just a culinary experience, it was a celebration of community, where people from all walks of life came together to share in the simple joys of good food and heartfelt conversation. It was a privilege to be a part of such a vibrant and loving community.

ONE HEART PRAYER

On the first Monday of each month, several members of the St Peter's Church family gathered together to pray for the wider church community at our One Heart Prayer evenings. These evenings of prayer always began with a time of worship, and we sought to allow space for the Holy Spirit to lead the way. The meetings varied from month to month, focusing on a particular area of the church vision, a specific need that had arisen in our community, or in the world.

In 2023, we began a prayer focus on each of the St Peter's church values, with one member sharing from the scriptures to inspire us before we prayed. Throughout the year we prayed for any needs that were brought to mind or had been requested by any members of the church family. Then in October our focus shifted to praying for the war in Palestine and Israel as that conflict broke out, remembering as well other conflicts around the world.

During this time together, all were welcome and encouraged to share bible verses and prophetic words or pictures that the Lord had put on our hearts. We gave glory to God for these times when we could share the passions in our hearts, our hopes, and praises. We thanked him for the sense of increased faith and togetherness we experienced in His presence.

FRIENDSHIP CAFE

Since its inception, the Friendship Cafe has strived to create a nurturing environment where local residents, and even those from farther afield, can gather to enjoy coffee, cake, and most importantly, companionship. The cafe is run by entirely by volunteers and over the course of 2023 welcomed 4 new members. Sadly one of the longest attending supporters, who joined us on our very first Cafe, died at the end of 2023 and is very much missed by all.

We are thankful to God for his blessings, not only for the Cafe, but for the friendships that have been developed and grown and fellowship enjoyed by everyone who faithful came along.



Held on the first and third Fridays of each month, the feedback we've received affirms the Friendship Cafe is achieving it's goal:

"I cherish my time at the Café and catching up with everyone."

"The coffee and cake are always a treat!"

"The sense of community and camaraderie is truly amazing."

"It's heartwarming to hear diverse stories and share laughter together."

"I eagerly anticipate each Café session; it's always warm and inviting."

"A valuable asset to the community."

"Accessible location and a great opportunity to meet new people from all walks of life."

"Friendship, fellowship, and mutual care are evident in every gathering."

COMMUNITY GARDEN

The project celebrated a successful inaugural year of cultivating vegetables and enhancing the front flower garden in preparation for further growth in 2024. Thanks to a generous grant from Lewisham Council, we were able to construct eight raised beds, procure seeds, bulbs, compost, and soil, laying the foundation for our gardening endeavours.

Dedicated leadership guided our vegetable allotment project from planning to fruition. Regular gardening sessions were held every Thursday afternoon from March to November, supplemented by monthly Saturday gatherings, drawing enthusiastic participation from a diverse group of volunteers spanning our church family, social supermarket patrons, and the broader community. Under expert guidance, attendees not only contributed to the cultivation of our vegetable patch but also exchanged valuable gardening knowledge during informative workshops.

The fruits of our labour were not only enjoyed by our diligent gardeners but also shared with those in need through donations to the food bank. Additionally, our front garden underwent a remarkable transformation, with careful planning and meticulous care resulting in the planting of numerous bulbs poised to bloom in Spring 2024. The space is envisioned to evolve into a serene sanctuary for community members seeking moments of quiet reflection.

Our progress has garnered commendation from our partners at Lewisham Council, reflecting their satisfaction with our efforts. Furthermore, ongoing discussions signify a promising collaboration aimed at further enhancing the green spaces within our community. As we look ahead, we are excited about the prospect of continued growth and collaboration, reaffirming our commitment to fostering a greener, more vibrant community for all.

CHARITABLE GIVING

In 2023, the PCC contributed to several charitable organisations, including Growing Hope, Spinnaker Trust, London City Mission, Power the Fight, Wave, The Spring, Marsha Phoenix, and Vinjeru School. Additionally, the PCC extended support to individuals facing financial hardship within the church community through the Fellowship Fund, and to those in the local community through St Peter's social supermarket (food bank).

Recognising the significance of maintaining the fabric of the church to facilitate St Peter's evangelistic mission both locally and beyond, efforts were made to identify opportunities for development throughout the year.



LSSM

St. Peter's has remained steadfast in its support of the London School of Supernatural Ministry (LSSM), which offers transformative discipleship courses to our members, church leaders, and individuals from across the UK, Europe, and the USA. In 2023, LSSM introduced Bethel's Supernatural Ministry course as a day school and launched a new personal discipleship programme entitled 'Grow'.

This initiative has had a profound impact on participants, empowering them to discover their true identity, activate their spiritual gifts, and cultivate a deeper sense of confidence in their faith journey. As a result, individuals at various stages of their walk with Jesus have reported remarkable transformations, witnessing positive shifts in both their personal lives and the world around them.

Among the testimonies shared, there have been accounts of experiencing divine healing, witnessing the redirection of new age palm reading events in a pub with a Prophetic and Healing night every month, and triumphing over significant addictions. Moreover, participants have deepened their intimacy with God, received inner healing through prayer, and generously shared prophetic insights to uplift and encourage others. These manifestations are clear demonstrations of the presence and power of the Kingdom within each believer.

CONNECTED LIVES

This year marks the beginning of our partnership with the charity Connected Lives, which specialises in offering courses and activities aimed at enhancing our interpersonal relationships. We successfully conducted four Circle of Security Parenting Courses, providing a platform for small groups of parents to engage in open discussions about their parenting journey within a supportive setting. Rooted in evidence-based research, these courses focused on fostering stronger connections and attachment between caregivers and children.

PARTNERSHIPS



EST 2012

www.lssm.org.uk

GROWING
HOPE
BROCKLEY



Additionally, we launched a ministry dedicated to married couples, commencing with our inaugural marriage day held during the autumn term. This event brought together 20 couples who were eager to invest in nurturing their relationships. Furthermore, our first singles' day attracted approximately 40 individuals, offering them an opportunity to share their experiences of flourishing in both life and faith.

The response to these initiatives has been overwhelmingly positive, with participants reporting notable improvements in their relationships. Encouraged by this feedback, we are committed to building upon this success in the years ahead, further enriching the lives and connections within our community.

GROWING HOPE

In 2023, Growing Hope Brockley persisted in its mission to instil hope in families throughout South East London. From January to August, the clinic buzzed with activity as numerous families attested to the life changing impact of the free therapy offered at Growing Hope. Of particular note were the transformative outcomes achieved through the siblings group and the 'When Dreams Change' course, which provided holistic support to families navigating challenging circumstances.

A poignant story shared during the spring fundraiser shed light on the profound impact of Growing Hope's interventions. A single parent, struggling with a child's extreme stress during bus rides, found solace and practical solutions through the dedicated efforts of our Clinic Manager and occupational therapist. Through targeted therapy sessions and skill building exercises, the once daunting task of riding the bus became a stress-free experience for the family.

Despite facing significant changes, including our Clinic Manager's departure, Growing Hope remained steadfast in its commitment to the community.

Regrettably, operational challenges necessitated the temporary closure of the clinic at the start of September 2023. However, upon thorough evaluation of community needs, the decision was made not only to replace the Clinic Manager role but also to expand the team by adding three additional members. It is our fervent hope that these new team members will join us by March 2024, reinforcing our capacity to support the clinic's vital work.

St. Peter's Church was honoured to receive the Silver Accessibility Award, a recognition of our ongoing efforts to create an inclusive environment for all individuals. While this achievement marks significant progress, our journey toward accessibility is far from complete. With a steadfast commitment to inclusivity, we aspire to attain the Gold Award by the end of 2024. We continue to seek skilled individuals and the collective support of our church and community as we strive to make St. Peter's a place where everyone feels welcomed and valued.

OPERATIONS

BUILDING

Throughout the year, St. Peter's building maintained its good condition, thanks to routine maintenance and successful safety inspections. Various repair works were undertaken to address concerns identified in the previous Quinquennial inspection.

These repairs included patching holes in the roof above the blower room and back door to prevent leaks and damage, as well as replacing damaged roof tiles over the back chapel. Additionally, the boiler and taps in the back kitchen were replaced to ensure a continuous water supply for various activities, such as the gardening project and children's teams.

To enhance safety, various electrical works were carried out, particularly in high-traffic areas like the main kitchen, entrance hallway, and toilets. New sockets for heating and lighting were installed throughout the building, including on the white bus used for Kids ministry activities.

A notable addition to the church's facilities was a large white marquee generously donated to the church by Brockley Community Church and erected in the back garden, complete with temporary flooring and heating for enhanced functionality.

Despite challenges, such as two break-ins to the youth bus and an attempted break-in to the back fire exit door in 2023, security measures were bolstered with the installation of cameras to deter intruders. These are checked and maintained regularly.

Furthermore, security measures were strengthened with the installation of security cameras to monitor entrances/exits, deterring break-in attempts and providing footage in case of further incidents.

Following the retirement of our previous Quinquennial inspector, a new one was appointed by the PCC. The latest inspection took place in July 2023, with the final report due to be issued in January 2024.

While significant progress was made, pending tasks from the Quinquennial inspection are scheduled for completion in early 2024, ensuring the continued upkeep and safety of the building for all users.

In response to the increased footfall, funds were raised for a defibrillator, a critical addition considering the over 800 people who visit St. Peter's weekly. The defibrillator was successfully installed in 2023.

The growing attendance at our services and events necessitated an additional commercial waste bin to prevent overflow and mitigate pest attraction.

To address noise disturbances during kids church caused by the main service, acoustic walls were installed starting in July 2023 and are scheduled to be completed in January 2024. These walls will provide soundproofing, allowing children to focus on their sessions without disruption.

Furthermore, comprehensive risk assessments were conducted for every activity and programme held in and around the building. Necessary safety measures were implemented to mitigate potential risks effectively.

ELECTORAL ROLL AND CHURCH ATTENDANCE

The 2023 Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) took place in April, adhering to the guidelines set forth by the Southwark Diocese. At the time of the meeting, the Electoral Roll comprised 116 names. Throughout the year, St. Peter's witnessed an average Sunday attendance of 143 adults and 70 children in the mornings, with an additional 58 adults attending evening services. While quantifying online engagement remains challenging, the church continued to observe a significant number of individuals participating via platforms such as YouTube and Instagram.

During the Easter period, St. Peter's experienced robust attendance, with 103 individuals joining the Good Friday service and a substantial turnout of 252 adults and 90 children for the Easter Sunday service. Notably, the Christmas season saw a doubling of services, reflecting the growing demand, with 119 adults attending the Saturday Evening Carols service and 250 adults participating in the Sunday evening service. Additionally, the Christmas Christingle Services attracted a sizable congregation, with 282 adults and 126 children attending across the two morning services. These figures underscore the enduring appeal and significance of St. Peter's worship experiences throughout the year.

143 adults

70 children

average morning attendance

58 adults

average evening attendance

252 adults

90 children

Easter Services 2023

282 adults

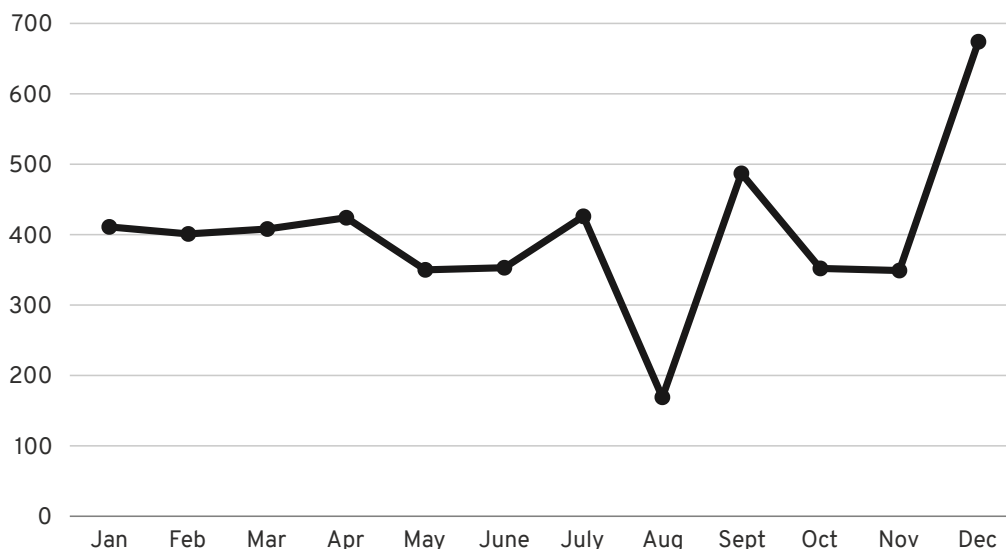
126 children

Christingle Services 2023

369 adults

Christmas Carols
Services 2023

MONTHLY ENGAGEMENT ACROSS ALL ACTIVITIES 2023



VOLUNTEERS

In reflecting on the past year, we are deeply grateful for the invaluable contributions of our dedicated church volunteers. Their commitment and tireless efforts have been the cornerstone of our community's success and growth.

Throughout the year, our volunteers have generously devoted their time, skills, and energy to various initiatives and activities within our church and beyond. From organising various programmes and events, to serving in outreach programmes and supporting community initiatives, their passion for service and selflessness have been truly inspiring.

Despite facing many challenges and uncertainties, our volunteers have remained steadfast in their dedication, demonstrating resilience, creativity, and compassion in their service to others. Whether it was adapting to mobilise resources, or offering a listening ear to those experiencing hardship, their impact has been profound and far-reaching.

As we celebrate their accomplishments and express our gratitude, we also recognise the importance of nurturing and supporting our volunteers. Their well-being and satisfaction are integral to sustaining our vibrant community and fulfilling our mission. We remain committed to providing them with the training and appreciation they deserve, ensuring that they continue to thrive and grow in their roles.

As we look ahead to the future, we are excited about the opportunities that lie ahead and the continued partnership with our dedicated volunteers. Together, we will continue to build a community grounded in faith, compassion, and service, making a positive difference in the lives of others.

To all our volunteers, we extend our heartfelt thanks for their extraordinary love and service. Their contributions are deeply appreciated and cherished, and we are profoundly grateful for the difference they make.

Ben and Hanelle, the church leaders, also extend their heartfelt gratitude to the dedicated members of the St. Peter's PCC: Colin Plant, the Vice Chair of PCC, and Lynne Wilkinson, Sarah-Salome Ajayi, Phil Allen, Christopher Harvey, Christopher Stormont, Andy Parnham, Myra Thompson, Jason Archie-Acheampong and Nita Rogers who have played an essential role in advancing the church's mission and ensuring the smooth functioning of its operations.

We would also like to recognise the invaluable contributions of the Churchwardens, Joel Power and Sarah Pellew, whose dedication to supporting the team has been instrumental in guiding us. Additionally, a special appreciation goes to Chris Harvey, the Treasurer, for his diligent financial stewardship and wise counsel on the standing committee. Your commitment and service are deeply appreciated, and we are grateful for the impact you have made on our church and its mission.

We would also like to express our appreciation to the diligent team who have been instrumental in the day-to-day operations of St. Peter's Church. Their hard work, and tireless efforts have been invaluable in ensuring the smooth functioning and success of our church's ministries and programmes. Each member of the team plays a vital role in supporting our congregation and advancing our mission. Their commitment to excellence and their willingness to go above and beyond are truly commendable and greatly appreciated and do not go unnoticed. We are privileged to have such a dedicated team supporting our ministry. Their efforts are truly valued and make a significant difference in the lives of our congregation and the wider community.

Finally, the church leaders would like to thank the wider congregation. Despite the challenges posed by the cost of living crisis, the financial giving of the congregation has been a source of practical support and encouragement. The church community has come together with generosity and solidarity, demonstrating a profound commitment to sustaining our church's vital ministries and operations in line with our vision and values. We are immensely grateful for the sacrificial giving and support of our congregation, which have enabled us to navigate this challenging period with grace and fortitude.

DEANERY SYNOD

St. Peter's maintains active engagement with the Deptford Deanery through its two representatives on the Deanery Synod, one of whom serves as the Lay Chair, while the other fulfils the role of Deanery Secretary.

Throughout 2023, the Deptford Deanery remained steadfast in its focus on Prayer, Collaboration, and Mission. The overarching aim of the Deanery's endeavours is to cultivate an ethos encapsulated by the mantra "rooted in my parish and connected to my deanery," empowering every church member to recognise their role in parish life, within the Deptford Deanery Churches, and the broader church community.

The year saw notable developments within the Deanery, including the appointment of Reverend Anne Bennett as the new Area Dean. The Deanery Leadership Team convened regularly to deliberate on Diocesan initiatives impacting the Deanery and to organise Forums addressing pertinent issues. In February, the focus was on Children & Young People's Ministry, while March commenced with a Deanery Ascension Day service, marking the onset of the national Thy Kingdom Come 10 days of prayer. Notably, a prayer walk through the Deanery, attended by individuals from various churches, underscored the collective commitment to spiritual engagement and unity.

June witnessed an insightful forum led by Dr. Simon Rogoff from St. Peter's, delving into mental health and its implications for churches. Later in October, a Deanery Synod meeting featured discussions on pressing topics raised by Deanery Lay Representatives, including the evolving stance on 'Living in Love and Faith.'

St. Peter's active participation in these gatherings underscores its commitment to aligning its aspirations and strategies with broader church initiatives.

By maintaining representation in significant Deanery and Diocesan groups, St. Peter demonstrates our commitment to collaboration and maintaining good relationships with our partners and neighbours, and our vision remains aligned with the collective goals of the wider church community.

ECUMENICAL RELATIONSHIPS

St. Peter's is proud to be part of the TABLE family of churches, all of which have been grafted or planted out of Kings Cross Church (KXC) over the past five years.

Ben and Hanelle, along with other leaders from our church, receive support from Pete and Bee Hughes, the leaders of KXC. Throughout the year, our staff team has had the opportunity to meet with other staff teams from around the country, fostering collaboration and shared learning.

Maintaining strong relationships with other churches in the deanery remains a priority for us. As part of our grafting and planting strategy, we regularly invite and meet with the teams at St. James Kidbrooke and HT Sydenham and Forest Hill for training and fellowship, strengthening our connections within the wider church community, whilst also supporting leaders relationally and prayerfully from a range of other churches.

FINANCIAL REVIEW/EXPENDITURE

Total receipts were £660,734 (£585,462 2022)

The total receipts consisted of:

Voluntary giving of £449,242 (£386,573 2022)

Gift Aid recovered of £86,468 (£73,399 2022)

Grants of £81,017 (£47,075 2022)

Other Income of £44,006 (£78,404 2022)

Voluntary giving increased by 16% with the number of givers increasing from 164 in January 2023 to 187 in December 2023.

Expenditure for the year has increased on previous years due to the growth in activity and need of the local community.

Total expenditure for 2023 was £720,171 (£590,347 2022)

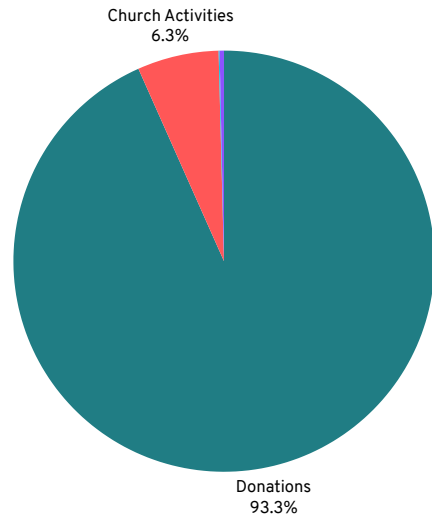
Our Parish Support Fund contribution for 2023 was £42,000 (£40,950 2022).

The total net assets at 31 December 2023 was £29,794 (£89,231 2022) of which £24,942 (£48,624 2022) was restricted and £33,548 2023 (£69,786 2022) was cash balance at the bank.

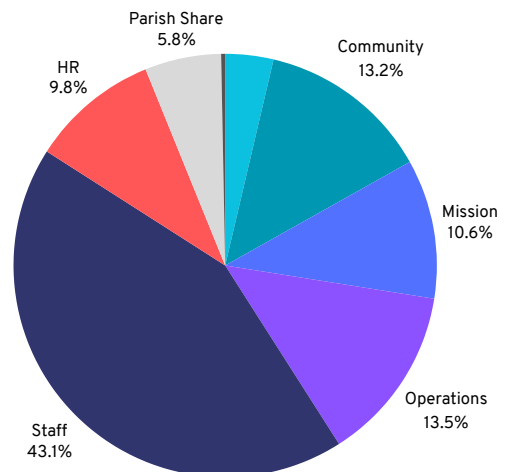
RESERVES POLICY

It is the PCC policy to try to maintain a sufficient balance in our Bank Current Account to pay for our recurring and other normal expenditures the PCC has agreed an amount of £50,000. When there is the need, more funds are transferred from the CCLA Deposit Fund to the current account to pay for some one-off larger bills. The PCC recognises that in 2023 we have not met this reserves policy. We have had two extraordinary meetings in review of this and have made a plan towards meeting this policy in 2024. To help us to get back to the agreed amount St Peters has done a gift day and more teaching on giving.

TOTAL INCOME 2023: £660,734



TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES 2023: £720,171



We have also reduced expenditure to only necessary projects. In February 2024 the PCC has accepted a revised budget which puts us back at necessary reserves level by June 2024.

It is our policy to invest some of our fund balances with the interest yielding CCLA Church of England Deposit Fund. The CCLA balance at 31 December 2023 was £0.00 and formed part of the Net Assets.

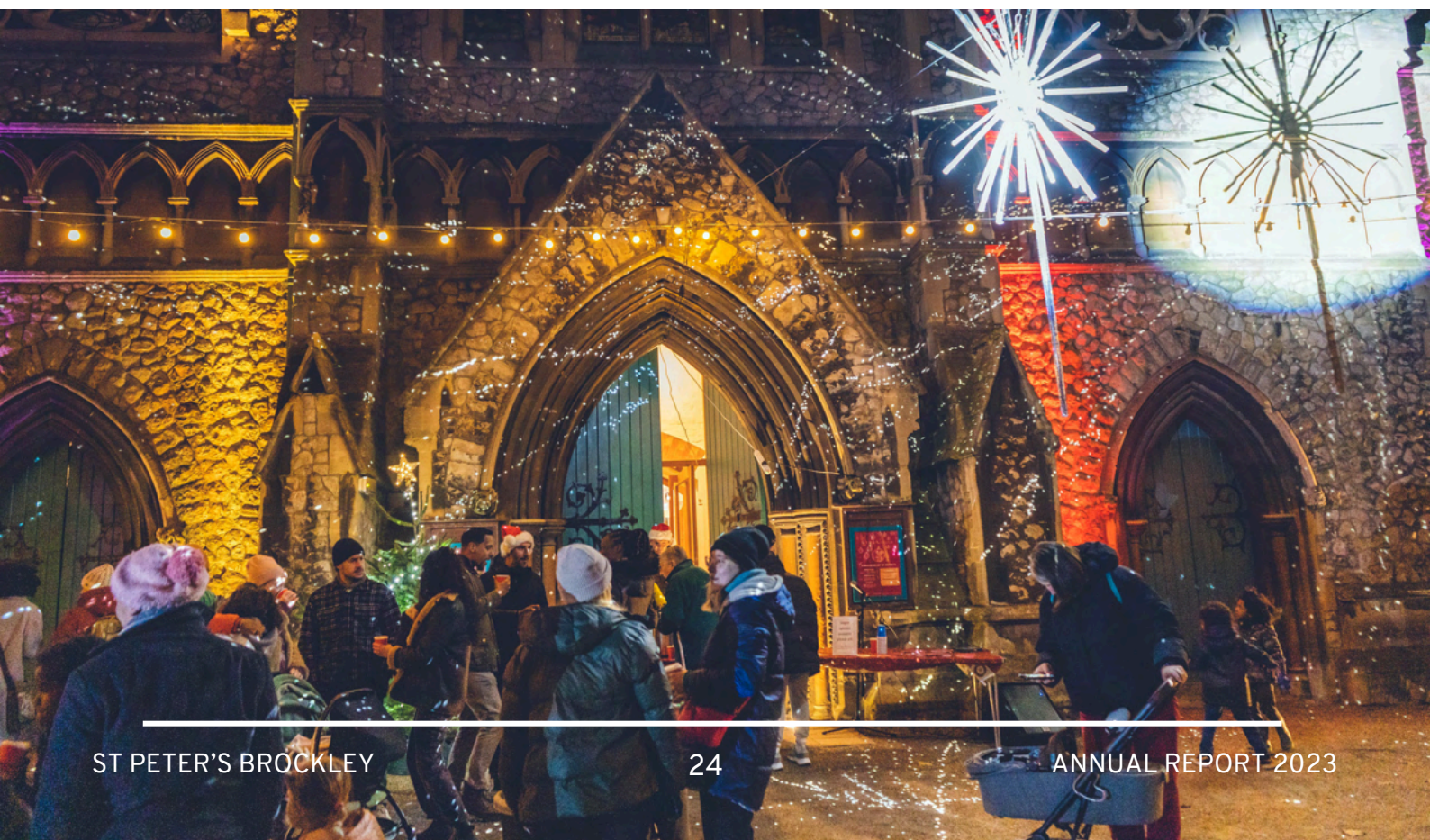
GOVERNANCE AND MAINTENANCE

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) is a corporate body established by the Church of England operating under the Parochial Church Council Powers Measure (1956 as amended) and the Church Representation Rules (2022). In 2018 the PCC became a charity registered with the Charity Commission for England and Wales (registered number 1180277). Membership of the PCC consists of the Incumbent, Churchwardens, Deanery Synod representatives and elected members of the congregation who are on the electoral roll. The PCC members are responsible for working with the incumbent in making decisions on all matters of general concern and importance to the parish including agreeing on how the funds of the PCC are to be spent.

The PCC met bi-monthly and attendance by members was very good.

ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

St Peter's Church is situated on Wickham Road, Brockley, London SE4. It is part of the Diocese of Southwark within the Church of England. The correspondence address is St Peter's Brockley, Wickham Road, Brockley, London SE4 1LT.



PCC MEMBERS 2022/2023

2022/2023

Vicar: The Revd. Benjamin Jones Chair
Vice Chair: Mr Colin Plant

Curates: Revd. Joel Soares
Revd. Chris Gaul

Wardens: Ms Sarah Pellew
Mr Joel Power

Representatives on Mr Colin Plant
the Deanery Synod: Mrs Lynne Wilkinson

Elected members:

Ms Sarah-Salome Ajayi
Mr Phil Allen
Mr Christopher Harvey Treasurer
Mr Andy Parnham
Mrs Nita Rogers
Ms Myra Thompson
Mr Jason Archie-Acheampong

Co-opted members :

Ms Juliana Ayebale PCC secretary

2023

Vicar: The Revd. Benjamin Jones Chair
Vice Chair: Mr Colin Plant

Curates: Revd. Joel Soares
Revd. Dom Toms

Wardens: Ms Sarah Pellew
Mr Joel Power

Representatives on Mr Colin Plant
the Deanery Synod: Mrs Lynne Wilkinson

Elected members:

Ms Sarah-Salome Ajayi
Mr Phil Allen
Mr Christopher Harvey Treasurer
Mr Andy Parnham
Mrs Nita Rogers
Mr Christopher Stormont

Co-opted members:

Ms Juliana Ayebale PCC secretary
(Jun '22 to Aug '23)

Mr Andy Coombe PCC secretary
(from Sept '23)

Approved by the PCC on 18th March 2024 and
signed on their behalf by



Revd. Benjamin Jones (Chair of PCC)



and Christopher Harvey (Treasurer)

INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of St Peter's Brockley, for the year ended 31 December 2023, which are set out on pages 25 to 34.

RESPONSIBILITIES AND BASIS OF REPORT

As the trustees of the Charity you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011.

I report in respect of my examination of the Trustee's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT

Since the charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I 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 Charity 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.



C J Goodhead FCA
Knight Goodhead Limited
Chartered Accountants

30 April 2024

7 Bournemouth Road
Chandler's Ford, Eastleigh
Hampshire SO53 3DA

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITY

FOR THE YEAR END DECEMBER 2023

	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	TOTAL FUNDS	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	TOTAL FUNDS
		2023			2022		
		£	£	£	£	£	£
INCOME FROM:							
Voluntary Income		510,905	105,823	616,728	406,951	100,107	507,058
Church Activities		41,313	-	41,313	34,609	512	35,120
Church Rental Income		510	-	510	11,715	-	11,715
Other Income		639	1,545	2,183	368	31,201	31,569
TOTAL INCOME	2	553,366	107,368	660,734	453,642	131,820	585,462
EXPENDITURE ON:							
Charitable Activities		576,126	141,850	717,976	489,995	95,861	585,858
Governance Costs		2,195	-	2,195	4,489	-	4,489
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	2	578,321	141,850	720,171	494,484	95,861	590,346
NET INCOME/ (EXPENDITURE) BEFORE TRANSFER OF FUNDS		(24,955)	(34,482)	(59,437)	(40,842)	35,959	(4,884)
Gross transfer in funds		- 10,800	10,800	-	3,500	- 3,500	-
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		(35,755)	(23,682)	(59,437)	(37,343)	32,459	(4,884)
Balances brought forward at 1 January 2023		40,607	48,624	89,231	77,950	16,165	94,115
BALANCES CARRIED FORWARD AT 31 DECEMBER 2023		4,852	24,942	29,794	40,607	48,624	89,231

BALANCE SHEET

FOR THE YEAR END DECEMBER 2023

		2023	2022
	Note	£	£
FIXED ASSETS			
General Fixed Assets		1,223	2,201
Kids Bus		4,983	6,283
Office Equipment		2,287	1,785
PA/AV Equipment		990	5,114
	5	9,483	15,383
CURRENT ASSETS			
Main Church Account		24,087	13,741
CCLA Deposit Account		0	25,507
Expense Card Accounts		7	432
Premium account		9,454	30,106
Prepayments	6	6,058	19,383
Giving owed to St Peters	6	6,299	13,774
Accounts Receivable	6	216	0
		46,120	102,942
LIABILITIES			
Account Payable		18,216	7,337
Accruals		3,560	2,076
Deposits for Room Hire		1,080	1,500
Deffered Income		1,794	16,345
Payroll Payable		1,160	1,836
Liabilities due within one year	7	(25,809)	(29,095)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		20,311	73,847
NET ASSETS		29,794	89,231
RESERVES			
Excess/ (deficit) to date		(59,437)	(4,884)
Starting Balances		89,231	94,115
		29,794	89,231
FUNDS	11		
Unrestricted		4,852	40,606
Restricted		24,942	48,624
		29,794	89,231

CASH FLOW STATEMENT

FOR THE YEAR END DECEMBER 2023

		2023	2022
	Notes	£	£
NET CASH FLOW PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES	1	(35,473)	(26,674)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Interest received		634	368
Purchase of fixed assets		(1,911)	(11,220)
NET CASH FLOW		(36,750)	(37,527)
		2023	2022
		£	£
Cash at the end of the year	2	33,548	69,786
Cash at start of the year		69,786	90,132
(Decrease)/increase in cash in the year		(36,238)	(20,346)

NOTES TO THE CASHFLOW STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

RECONCILIATION OF NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS TO NET CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	2023	2022
	£	£
Net movement in funds for the year	(59,437)	(4,884)
Dividends and interest received	(634)	(368)
Depreciation	7,299	6,739
(Increase)/Decrease in debtors	20,584	(19,572)
Increase/(decrease) in creditors	(3,286)	(8,590)
Net cash flow from operating activities	(35,473)	(26,674)

ANALYSIS OF CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	2023	2022
	£	£
Cash at bank and in hand	33,548	69,786
	33,548	69,786

NOTES 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

FOR THE YEAR END DECEMBER 2023

BASIS OF PREPARATION

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 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) (effective 1 January 2015) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2015.

The PCC meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy note(s).

RECONCILIATION WITH PREVIOUS GENERALLY ACCEPTED ACCOUNTING PRACTICE.

In preparing the accounts, the PCC has considered whether in applying the accounting policies required by FRS 102 and the Charities SORP (FRS 102) the restatement of comparative items was required. No restatements have been considered necessary.

FUNDS

General funds represent the funds of the PCC that are not subject to any restrictions regarding their use and are available for application on the general purposes of the PCC. Restricted funds are those donated for specific purposes.

INCOME

• *Voluntary income and capital sources*

Donations and other income are recognised when received and an estimate of income tax recoverable is recognised when the related donations are recognised.

Grants and legacies to the PCC are accounted for as soon as the PCC is notified of its legal entitlement, the amount due is quantifiable and its ultimate receipt by the PCC is probable.

Sales of books and magazines from the church bookstall are accounted for gross.

• *Other income*

Rental income from the letting of church premises is recognised when the rental is due.

• *Gifts in Kind*

Gifts in kind are accounted for at a reasonable estimate of their value to the charity or the amount actually realised.

• *Income from investments*

Dividends are accounted for when due and payable. Interest entitlements are accounted for as they accrue. Tax recoverable on such income is recognised in the same accounting year.

• *Gains and losses on investments*

Realised gains or losses are recognised when investments are sold.

Unrealised gains or losses are accounted for on revaluation of investments at 31 December.

• *Grants*

Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over, or when awarded.

FOR THE YEAR END DECEMBER 2023

EXPENDITURE

Church activities

The diocesan Common Fund is accounted for when paid. Any Common Fund unpaid at 31 December is provided for in these accounts as an operational (though not a legal) liability and is shown as a creditor in the Balance Sheet.

Expenditure incurred in the operation of the church is classed as charitable activities.

FIXED ASSETS

Fixed assets used by the PCC

In the absence of an actual cost, the insurance valuation has been used as the deemed cost for operational assets, with no depreciation charge being made during the year due to the long life of the asset and regular maintenance.

OTHER FIXTURES, FITTINGS AND OFFICE REQUIREMENTS

Only items of greater than £500 are capitalised. Church worship equipment comprises a number of electrical and other items connected with sound, vision and worship. They will be depreciated over three years from date of first use. Computer and office equipment and furnishings are depreciated over three years from date of first use.

CONSECRATED PROPERTY AND MOVEABLE CHURCH FURNISHINGS

Consecrated and beneficed property of any kind is excluded from the accounts by s.10 of the Charities Act 2011.

Moveable church furnishings held by the Vicar and Churchwardens on special trust for the PCC, and which require a faculty for disposal, are accounted as inalienable property unless consecrated. They are listed in the church's Inventory which can be inspected (at any reasonable time). For inalienable property acquired prior to 2003 there is insufficient cost information available and therefore such assets are not valued in the accounts. No such items have been acquired since 1 January 2003.

All expenditure incurred in the year on consecrated or beneficed buildings or on the repair of movable church furnishings acquired before 1 January 2003 is written off.

CURRENT ASSETS

Amounts owing to the PCC at 31 December in respect of fees, rents or other income are shown as debtors less provision for amounts that may prove uncollectable.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

FOR THE YEAR END DECEMBER 2023

INCOME	2023			2022		
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
Donation	£	£	£	£	£	£
Total Donation	510,905	105,823	616,728	406,951	100,107	507,058
Church Activities						
Total Church Activities	41,313	-	41,313	34,609	512	35,120
Rental						
Total Rental	510	-	510	11,715	-	11,715
Other Income						
Total Other Income	639	1,545	2,183	368	31,201	31,569
Total Income	553,366	107,368	660,734	453,642	131,820	585,462
EXPENSES						
Worship						
Total Worship	23,474	2,981	26,454	24,683	2,981	27,664
Community						
Total Community	77,551	17,458	95,009	53,284	38,929	92,212
Mission						
Total Mission	43,438	33,226	76,664	38,054	16,692	54,746
Operations						
Total Operations	84,518	12,347	96,866	95,096	2,202	97,298
Staff						
Total Staff	266,876	43,434	310,310	212,256	16,181	228,436
Human Resources						
Total Staff	38,270	32,403	70,673	25,673	18,877	44,550
Parish Share	42,000	-	42,000	40,950	-	40,950
Total Parish Share	42,000	-	42,000	40,950	-	40,950
Governance						
Total Governance	2,195	-	2,195	4,489	-	4,489
Total Operating Expenses	578,321	141,850	720,171	494,484	95,861	590,347

NOTES 3-11

FOR THE YEAR END DECEMBER 2023

3. STAFF COSTS	2023	2022
	£	£
Wages and salaries (incl PAYE)	264,820	181,026
Social security costs	14,276	8,448
Pension Costs	4,988	3,958
Freelance Staff costs	26,225	35,004
	310,310	228,436
	2023	2022
Total amount of staff employed	16	13
No staff member was paid over £60,000 in 2023		

4. Mission Grants	Grant Amount	Purpose
Congregation in Need	16,667	Fellowship Fund
Growing Hope	7,083	
Spinnaker Trust	1,200	
London City Mission	1,200	
Power the Fight	1,200	
Marsha Pheonix	1,307	
The Spring	3,048	
Vinjeru School	1,200	
Total	32,905	

5. FIXED ASSETS FOR USE BY THE PCC	General Fixed Assets	Kids Bus	Office Equipment	PA/AV Equipment	Total
	£	£	£	£	£
Actual/Revalued Cost. At 1 Jan 2023	8,192	6,500	4,870	28,385	47,947
Additions during year	0	0	1,911	0	1,911
Disposals during year	0		(595)	0	(595)
At 31 December 2023	8,192	6,500	6,186	28,385	49,263
Depreciation at 1 January 2023	5,991	217	3,085	23,271	32,564
Charge for the year	978	1,300	897	4,124	7,299
Disposals during year			(83)		(83)
At 31 December 2023	6,969	1,517	3,899	27,395	39,780
Net Book Value at 1 January 2023	2,201	6,283	1,785	5,114	15,383
At 31 December 2023	1,223	4,983	2,287	990	9,483

NOTES 3-11 CONTINUED

FOR THE YEAR END DECEMBER 2023

6. Debtors	2023	2022
Prepayments and accrued income	6,058	19,383
Giving owed to St Peters	6,299	13,774
Accounts Receivable	216	0
Total	12,572	33,156

7. Creditors (amounts falling due less than one year)	2023	2022
Accounts Payable	18,216	7,337
Accruals	3,560	2,076
Deposit for room hire	1,080	1,500
Deffered Income	1,794	16,345
Payroll Payable	1,160	1,836
Total Current Liabilities	25,809	29,095

8. Contingent Liabilities

There were no contingent liabilities at the end of 31st December 2023. (2022: None)

9. Related Party Transactions	Name	Relationship	2023	2022	Duties
	Hanelle Jones	Wife of Incumbent	24,053	17,997	Community Engagement
	Magrat Plant	Wife of PCC Member	8,404	11,730	Supplier

NOTES 3-11 CONTINUED

FOR THE YEAR END DECEMBER 2023

10. Restricted Funds						
Donor	Purpose	Opening Balance	Income	Expenditure	Transfer from general funds	Closing Balance
		£	£	£	£	£
CRT	New Worshipping Community	(2,692)	29,737	(32,403)	2,666	(2,692)
Donor	Worship Leading	0	12,500	(12,500)	0	0
Lottery Grant	Screen	4,471	0	(2,981)	0	1,490
Various Donors	Building Fund	16,063	13,125	(8,487)	0	20,701
Various Donors	Foodbank	17,253	31,685	(54,949)	6,010	(0)
Love your Neighbour	Food donated to Foodbank	0	1,545	(1,544)	0	0
Various Donors	Fellowship Fund	2,334	11,481	(15,832)	2,017	0
Various Donors	Love Brockley	7,271	3,446	(10,824)	107	(0)
Diocese of Southwark	Youth Boxing	0	2,550	(824)	0	1,726
Various Donors	Unconditional	3,924	1,298	(1,505)	0	3,717
Total Restricted funds		48,625	107,368	(141,850)	10,800	24,942

11. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BY FUND	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	TOTAL FUNDS
Cash & deposit balances	10,096	23,452	33,548
Fixed Assets	7,993	1,490	9,483
Other Assets	12,572	0	12,572
Total Assets	30,662	24,942	55,603
Current Liabilities	(25,809)	-	(25,809)
	4,852	24,942	29,794

Accounts



Annual Report of the Parochial Church Council

(Year ended 31 December 2022)

VISION AND VALUES

The purpose of St Peter's Parochial Church Council (PCC) is to hold the staff leadership team to account in staying true to the vision and values of the church.

Vision

To play our part in bringing heaven to south east London.

Values

Feels like family - Church is a diverse family where we can be fully known, unconditionally loved and become who we're created to be

Empowered by the Spirit - We are filled, led and empowered by the Holy Spirit to do what we see the Father doing

Make Jesus known - Everything we do is an opportunity for others to experience the love and power of Jesus and find fullness of life in him

Everyday not an event - spending time with Jesus, becoming like him, doing what he did and helping one another do the same happens every day, not just Sunday

Ambitiously Local - We want to see heaven come where we live through Villages, community ministries and by planting and grafting across SE London

MINISTRY AND MISSION

WORSHIP AND PRAYER

Morning and evening services have continued to grow throughout the year. How we accommodate the growth in the morning service is particularly challenging. We have temporarily alleviated the issue of space by purchasing another bus for the children to meet on, however, a more comprehensive building project, or a change to the number of services we run in the morning, will need to be considered in 2023.

Our mid-week communion has continued to thrive. In addition to this, we have been encouraging people to meet mid-week in their local 'villages' to establish worship and prayer in smaller groups.

Phil and Caroline have continued to do an amazing job running 'One Heart', our monthly whole church prayer meeting, as has Gerry in providing a weekly bible study on zoom.

Throughout 2022 we have supported Holy Trinity Sydenham & Forest Hill (HT) and will be grafting into the church in May 2023. In addition to HT, we have started a partnership with St James Kidbrooke and have been supporting them through interregnum. We plan to be a part of a Southwark SDF (Strategic Development Fund) bid in 2023 with the view to grafting into St James in the Autumn of the same year.

YOUTH

The year 2022 was a remarkable one for our youth ministry, with God performing great works and the ministry achieving important milestones that will serve as a solid foundation for future growth.

Despite the challenges posed by COVID, which left us feeling like we were starting at ground zero, we approached the year with the goal of creating a strong foundation for the youth ministry.

Our services began in January with just one young person in attendance. However, throughout the year, we were able to establish a rhythm and template for the service, which is based on themes that run for 4-6 weeks. Each session is designed to incorporate the 3 F's: Fun, Fellowship, and Fruitfulness. Our aim is to ensure that every young person has a fun experience, builds new relationships, and grows spiritually and mentally. By the end of the year we had an average of 20 young people attending each youth session, with some sessions being as large as 30 young people, outgrowing the current space.

We also established the youth's participation in key events and celebrations. During Easter, the youth produced a play that expressed their feelings about Jesus' death and resurrection, as well as a dance piece performed during the morning service. At Christmas, they created a beautiful spoken word piece that was filmed. These opportunities have given the young people a sense of pride and voice within the church, allowing them to express their faith in a relevant and engaging way they can feel confident about.

Outreach was another important aspect of the ministry in 2022. We re-established a partnership with XLP, which enabled us to offer a weekly homework club for kids in the local community and schools. This provided a safe and fun environment for young people to build friendships, learn and be inspired.

Our outings were also a key milestone achieved in 2022. During a half term break in September, we organised an outing to see a film, followed by a chill session. This event allowed young people to invite their friends and deepen their bonds of friendship. We aim to have at least one outing every half term and holiday, providing young people with more time to build meaningful Christian relationships that are vital for their faith and life.

Perhaps one of the most important achievements of 2022 was building a consistent, passionate, and motivated youth volunteering team. At the beginning of the year, the team consisted of staff members from the leadership team who could only help out occasionally. By the end of the year, we had five consistent volunteers who were able to volunteer 1-2 times a month. We owe the success of the youth ministry in 2022 to their hard work and passion. To this day we continue to add new volunteers to our team.

In conclusion, God's kindness and blessing over the youth work was clearly evident in 2022. We managed to create a foundation that is filled with hope and vision for the future. In the coming years, our desire is to build on the moment that has been created and to see heaven come to South East London, with young people being at the helm of this ambitious vision.

CHILDREN

During 2022 Ana returned from maternity leave and Imani, who had originally covered Ana, stayed on as a job share which gave the team an opportunity to do more. With the extra resource the team were able to start an after school activity called Creation Club. The activity was to provide a group of up to 15 children a space where both church and local community children could come, learn about God's creation, and how we can look after it. The sessions encourage the children to make Art inspired by Creation, and links back to faith and the gospel. The sessions have allowed us to go much deeper with some kids, and see real breakthroughs in their own journey. It has also given us the opportunity to build relationships with new families, many of which are Spanish speaking, some who have very little English and they have been connected to other programs going on at church like the foodbank.

Aside from introducing the Creation Club we also had recurring activities. Easter 2022 was full of colour and fun, and had 93 children attend the service. The majority of them performed a beautiful song and the Easter egg hunt after church was very popular.

During the summer we ran our summer club, welcoming 35 kids for a four day summer project. In those four days we themed our summer club around the film Encanto, and a line from one of the songs which said, 'The Miracle is You.' The children were able to do art, dance, singing, and learnt two songs from Encanto. The children were put in small groups where they looked at how miraculous the human body is and spent time celebrating God's incredible creation - our human body! Many families from the local community came along and enjoyed the week. The attending children had a performance at the end of the week, which they put on for their families. After the performance everyone was invited to the family barbecue.

In September we welcomed all the kids back after the summer break, and over the course of the next few months the average attendance of children on a Sunday morning was around 80, this grew steadily towards the end of the year. In September The Growing Hope team launched, which enabled us to get specialist support to children with additional needs. This area continues to grow and expand and some of the children with special needs have been referred to Growing Hope for further assistance. The Children's ministry team and Growing Hope team continue to work alongside each other to be more inclusive to all, flexible and fun for every child that comes to church and special events.

During the Christmas season we worked with the children to create a Christmas nativity play from scratch. The children were also involved with the creation and making of the props and costumes. The nativity came together beautifully and all the children did incredibly well. The service was well attended with our St Peter's kids and visiting children. We had 120 children for the carol service, who all got the opportunity to have a Christingle orange, and learn about Jesus through the many creative ways we told the story of Christmas.

One of the biggest changes to the oldest group, the Rockets, was the place they met on Sundays. As we had outgrown the kids space the Rockets were using the Scout Hall during the Sunday

services. However, in October we purchased a double decker bus and moved the Rockets into the space. We are still designing and working out how to best use the space for our sessions, but it has been so special to have a space they can call their own and take some ownership of. To date the chairs that had been in the bus have all been stripped out and carpet has been installed. We are now looking at more permanent situations with setting up the space with electricity, getting a secure door, setting up a craft area, and decorating the outside.

DISCIPLESHIP

Like many churches over the Covid period, St Peter's felt the strong call of the Spirit to focus on discipleship as the primary aim of all we do. We define discipleship as "being with Jesus, becoming like him, doing the things he did and helping others do the same." Our vision to play our part in seeing heaven come to South East London will be fulfilled only as we live as disciples and disciple others where we live and worship.

Whilst this focus has grown over the last few years, in 2022 we increased our commitment to this call by running the Foundations Course in the autumn, and revitalising and redirecting Villages from the winter. The Foundations Course was a five-week/one weekend Life Course-style teaching and discussion series led by Ben Jones with a focus on core biblical teaching, targeted for all those who call St Peter's their home. Around 250 members signed up to the mid-week course, with weekly attendance ranging from 80 to 150 people. The course gave people an opportunity to discuss the teaching in small geographical-based groups, over a meal and refreshments.

In addition, the Social Supermarket developed a 'Come and See' group for those interested in exploring faith in Jesus, aiming to disciple users of this community service. Numbers varied from single figures to around fifteen.

The Foundations Course geographical-based groups grew into Villages after the course: mid-sized home-based communities meeting (mostly) weekly to encourage each other to be with Jesus, become like him, do the stuff he did and help each other do the same. The primary focus of Villages is discipleship. By the end of the year there were eleven Villages meeting in Brockley (x2), Crofton Park, Ladywell, Nunhead, Forest Hill, Peckham, Deptford, Charlton, Kidbrooke and Crystal Palace. 150 people are linked to the Villages, with weekly engagement being roughly half this. These Villages are being coordinated by a member of St Peter's Leadership Team who is designated as our discipleship lead, whilst we recognise that discipleship is the collective responsibility of the whole leadership team.

MISSION AND EVANGELISM

In the year 2022 we ran two 'Life Courses' for people exploring faith and meaning. The Life Course included discussion groups considering what meaning/s we attribute to our lives and went on to consider the main Christian claims. We had over 60 people on the first course, and over 50 on the second course. We saw an encouraging number come to faith, and many have now joined our church family! We have also continued to see people come to faith on Sundays during our morning and evening services.

It has been a really exciting time, as people have been feeling more confident to invite their friends. We have continued to reach out evangelistically to our community through mid-week community

projects, and Anne has brilliantly spearheaded an increase in the prayer and kindness teams. The Social Supermarket continues to be particularly fruitful in sharing faith with our neighbours.

PASTORAL CARE

As the church grew it was agreed that the pastoral care at St. Peter's would be overseen by village leaders and key staff members. The village leaders received training around pastoral care, and this training will continue in the coming year. In addition, there is a strong lay pastoral team, which includes our Southwark Pastoral Auxiliaries (SPA's), Sylvia Richards and Carol Smith. They have been providing essential services such as taking Communion to the housebound, visiting the sick at home or in hospital, and offering practical help wherever they can.

Members of the congregation have also been generous in their support of others, such as participating in Meal Trains for those who are ill or have new babies. Those seeking help with their mental or emotional health have been directed to excellent Christian counsellors or have received inner-healing prayer from trained staff members.

There continues to be a growing and healthy culture of congregants supporting one another in friendship and prayer.

LITTLE FISHES is a toddler group that meets on Monday mornings, during term time. It regularly has 50 to 60 children along with their accompanying adult. Little Fishes serves a mixture of community and church families. This group is extremely popular and we often have to turn people away as demand exceeds our current capacity. All families who attended our Christmas session as well as our Easter receive a book with a summary of the gospel relevant to the season. We are continuing to build a prayer and kindness team for this ministry.

BUMPS AND BABIES is a programme for new mums, which happens on Monday afternoon. For this session we were able to employ a breast-feeding consultant and have four volunteer breast-feeding peer supporters who support the staff with specialist advice. The numbers of women and families have significantly increased from roughly 15 families a week to 30 and at times 40 women a week. We now have the opportunity to take referrals from baby groups, hospitals, health visitors and social prescribers which has contributed to its growth. Many of the women in attendance were from the community and some of the families have gone on to join the church and many others have attended other events at the church. We are continuing to build a prayer and kindness team for this ministry.

DANCE at St Peter's continued to grow in 2022, and an additional staff member joined to assist with the growth. Some of the growth was organic, through word of mouth, and some found us through other avenues. One such example is a young lady who came for marriage support, who was then referred to the program. She later asked for a bursary and now brings her daughter regularly to dance.

The team was able to start new activities such as gymnastics and singing. They were also able to grow the already busy classes and onboard more students. At its busiest the dance team sees just

over 200 people attend various classes weekly. Students start from the tender age of 18 months to adulthood, no one is excluded. A number of students and at times parents have gone on to attend other activities, church services or events; and some have subsequently found their faith. This didn't stop there, a number of non-Christians from the community have asked for and received prayer.

In November, for the first time, we held external Ballet exams after training our students for the year. Thirteen students participated and they all passed and received Distinction or Merit from the awarding body. A number of the students that partook in this were on a bursary. We were able to provide busarries for 7.5 places; with 3 places going to primary school age students and 4.5 places to keystone one students.

The team finished the year with a busy, joyful Christmas Dance show for the community, and invited the students' parents and guardians. As tickets were sold online, we were able to raise £476 for Growing Hope Brockley.

GROWING HOPE BROCKLEY continues to partner with St Peter's Brockley in offering free therapy to children in Lewisham and Southwark from the church building. Over the past year, 44 children received direct therapy, and 80 families were supported through training and groups.

There have been a number of families who have joined the church in the past year after having accessed the clinic. The growing number of children with additional needs have been supported on Sundays to access kids' church through the help of Growing Hope volunteers.

UNCONDITIONAL started in February 2022, and they offer support group sessions for women and children affected by domestic abuse. Sessions are held fortnightly during term time. 16 sessions were held, including 2 socials. A total of 19 women and 6 children were referred to Unconditional with 11 women and 4 children attending at least one support session. We now have a group of 5 women attending regularly.

Volunteers who assist in the programme have attended training sessions with RESTORED and Prayer and kindness training, to better equip them.

We built relationships with our local Police who apart from protecting us, attended a session where they delivered a talk and answered many questions from our attendees.

Some of the people who have attended a session with Unconditional have attended our church services, Jubilee Street Party, Holy Spirit Day, Christmas and Easter celebrations and some women use the food bank regularly.

All support sessions include prayer answers to prayer have changed our women's lives. Our women are gaining confidence which has enabled them to start work, return to their studies, manage their finances, and secure accommodation. One woman with no recourse to public funds has now secured funds and space in a Refuge.

CHRISTIANS AGAINST POVERTY JOB CLUB restarted in January 2022, following Covid restrictions. It has been held in church on Wednesday lunchtimes but more recently has moved to Thursday evenings.

The Job Club has helped and encouraged a wide range of people to find work. The St Peter's Job Club affiliated to the Christians Against Poverty national scheme. It provides emotional and prayer support for those looking for work, some of whom have been out of work for considerable periods, others who have had problems with existing employment, others looking for career changes. The job club gives support with CV writing, job applications, interview skills, and motivational support and goal identification. A testimony from a Job Club member is below.

“Just wanted to touch base with you and keep in touch with the group.....I received word back after I had my second interview at the National Portrait Gallery.....they have offered me a role..... I just thought I would let you know so you can spread the good news and thank all for praying for me!!!

The St Peter's Job Club team is a highly skilled, experienced, and above all warm and happy group of people who give their time and hearts to helping people find work. We are committed to continue the eight week courses in 2023 for any requiring help with finding employment.

THE SOCIAL SUPERMARKET, which is open every Wednesday from 12 pm to 2 pm, has been a crucial resource for the community, particularly with the rising cost of living. The social supermarket, has been especially effective in meeting the needs of the clients. Here, clients are encouraged to make a small contribution towards their produce and are given more freedom to choose items that are most beneficial to their circumstances. The Social Supermarket is supported by the Felix Project and Holy Trinity Brompton's 'Love Your Neighbour' program and has been able to provide weekly support to around 250 families/households.

In addition to the Social Supermarket, they have also been supporting other community development activities such as free massages provided by Therapy 4 Healing, health and wellbeing advice, kindness/prayer services, Cat Bytes for digital advice, and links to the Lewisham CAP Debt Centre, which is run by Grace Church Brockley, with whom we partner. Through the Social Supermarket, we have been able to connect with the community and many people who come to use it have also participated in St Peter's activities, such as the community choir and the pop-up cafe on Fridays.

“COME AND SEE” bible study, which takes place after every Social Supermarket, has been quite popular. The study has been attracting a healthy and consistent attendance, and this has been a great encouragement to us.

We have been thrilled to see that this program has sparked some wonderful discussions and prayer sessions, providing an opportunity for members of our church community to further strengthen their connections with the wider community. We believe that the "Come and See" bible study has been a valuable way to promote interfaith dialogue, encouraging people from diverse backgrounds to come together and share their thoughts and experiences.

Additionally, the study has given people a space to explore their faith and deepen their understanding of the Bible, providing new insights and inspiration to their spiritual journeys. We are

grateful for the support and enthusiasm that the "Come and See" bible study has generated, and we look forward to seeing its continued growth and success in the future.

A COMMUNITY GARDEN project began in the summer of 2022 when we successfully secured funding from Lewisham Council for the development of a Community Garden to work with vulnerable members of our community supported by members of the church. During the autumn of the same year, an enthusiastic team constructed eight raised beds for the project. The core team had numerous meetings to ensure that the garden would be accessible to the people. The aim of the Community Garden is aligned with the Ward's priority of providing more public green space in the area. Additionally, we hope that the garden will provide a space for community members to come together, experience the therapeutic benefits of growing food and flowers, and build new connections with one another.

Moreover, we believe that the garden offers a non-threatening way to draw people into the church community. We look forward to seeing the positive impact that the garden will have on our community and beyond.

RHYTHM is a unique space at St. Peter's where dance and movement are used as a form of worship to God. The goal is to not only celebrate God through dance but also to use it as a tool for intercession and prophecy. The monthly event has seen tremendous growth this year with an influx of people from different age groups joining in.

We have been delighted to witness God's power and presence manifesting in these sessions, as He releases His freedom and joy through dance. People have shared how they have received breakthrough in their lives and have been able to hear from God and feel emotionally uplifted after spending time in worship.

Furthermore, we are excited to share that we have started planning with KXC, to expand the reach of Rhythm in 2023. We are eager to see what God has in store for this ministry and how it can continue to impact the community.

ONE HEART PRAYER

In January, St Peters continued its weekly 'Seek First' prayer meeting into its 3rd year, both in person and online. Although the prayer meeting was a success, the numbers of attendees fluctuated, sometimes dropping below five. After much prayer, reflection, and discussion with others, it was decided to make some changes to make the prayer meeting more accessible to more people.

The goal was to create a welcoming space where anyone could feel comfortable and able to pray. We wanted all who came to understand the St Peters' vision, including the 'whole church' vision or the vision for specific areas of church life. From our prayers and reflections emerged a new monthly prayer meeting called **One Heart**.

The changes drew a few more people, both to the building and via Zoom. Since the launch of One Heart in June 2022, we have prayed for a range of issues, including Love Brockley, youth work (especially knife crime), kids' church (including creating some prophetic art), inclusivity, Villages,

the launch of Holy Trinity, and the Christmas events and services. Attendees have been encouraged each time.

St Peter's has continued to offer a base for the **LONDON SCHOOL OF SUPERNATURAL MINISTRY**, which offers discipleship courses to St Peter's members, church leaders and wider people from all over the UK, Europe and the USA. Again, LSSM has met both onsite and online during the year. We have started a day school that meets on Thursday to train students how to bring Heaven to Earth every day.

When the idea of a **FRIENDSHIP CAFÉ** was first discussed 7 years ago, it was envisaged that guest speakers would be invited. However, it soon became clear that a warm, safe and welcoming place in which to chat to people was what was preferred and we have continued with this format ever since. In 2022 the Friendship Café was the first full year of opening without the lockdown restrictions. During 2020 and 2021 the Café did meet via Zoom. On our return to the building a full risk assessment was completed and in the summer months we hosted the group in the front garden of the Church. The Café has gone from strength to strength during the past year; it's very well-attended with a faithful, growing core group. When new people come for the first time, they receive a warm welcome, evidenced by them coming back again. We do, however, miss those who, due to health and mobility issues, are no longer able to come and take the opportunity to thank them for all their support. The Café thrives due to the welcoming nature of its attendees, who have offered support, help, and encouragement. We will continue to do what we do best and welcome all.

ELECTORAL ROLL AND CHURCH ATTENDANCE

The 2022 APCM was undertaken in May 2022 in line with Southwark Diocese guidelines. In May 2022 there were 116 names on the Electoral Roll. Average Sunday attendance in 2022 was 170 adults and 90 children (mornings) and 50 adults (evenings). Numbers engaging with the church online are harder to measure, but they continue to be a significant additional number of people engaging online on both Youtube and Instagram. The Christmas Christingle Service was well attended from 257 adults (in 2021) to 378 adults (in 2022) and 50 children (in 2021) to 120 (in 2022). As for the evening service 236 adults attended in 2021 and 301 in 2022

DEANERY SYNOD

We have two representatives on the Deanery Synod, one of whom is the Lay Chair of the Deanery Synod and the other is the Deanery Secretary.

Deptford Deanery continues to focus on the following areas: Prayer, Collaboration, Mission. The purpose of the Deanery's work is to build an ethos that reflects the statement "rooted in my parish and connected to my deanery", enabling every church member to see themselves as having a contribution to make in their parish as well as in the wider church.

In 2022 the Deanery Leadership Team met regularly to discuss Diocesan initiatives that may impact the Deanery and to plan Forums to address topical issues. The February Forum focused

on thanksgiving following the pandemic. The Thy Kingdom Come 10 days of prayer was supported by a Deanery Ascension Day service and parishes were encouraged to prayer walk their parishes. In July a bbq was held at St. John's and was well attended by churches across the Deanery. With the rising energy costs and inflation the November Forum addressed the cost of living crisis with a session led by Nicola Thomas, the Diocesan lead on Justice, Peace and Integrity of Creation. At this meeting Jason O'Shea, Diocesan Serious Youth Violence engagement officer and London City Missioner, explained his work in the outreach program Operation Forgiveness.

ECUMENICAL RELATIONSHIPS

St Peter's are a part of the TABLE family of churches, all of which have grafted or planted out of Kings Cross Church (KXC) over the past 5 years. Ben and Hanelle are supported with other leaders from this group by Pete and Bee Hughes (leaders of KXC). St Peter's staff team have met together with the other staff teams from around the country. Once a year we attend 'Wildfires' festival with all the churches from this group. We have also kept up good relationships with other churches in the deanery as well as remained part of Brockley churches together.

CHARITABLE GIVING

In 2022 the PCC gave to the following Charities: Congration in Need, Growing Hope, Spinnaker Trust, London City Mission, Power the Fight, Deptford Denery, Wave, The Spring, and Vinjeru School. The PCC also supported those in financial hardship in the church through the Fellowship Fund, and to those in the local community through the St Peter's social supermarket (food bank). To facilitate St Peter's evangelistic mission in the local area and beyond it is important that the fabric of the church is maintained and opportunities for development identified.

VOLUNTEERS

St. Peter's is proud to have a vibrant culture of volunteering and lay leadership that has played a crucial role in the growth and success of our various ministries. Their dedication and commitment of our volunteers have been instrumental in strengthening our outreach and mission to the community.

We are particularly grateful for the contributions of our volunteers on the Social Supermarket, Life Course, Village Leaders and Hosts, Youth Team, Student Team, Children's Ministries including Bumps and Babies and Little Fishes, Friendship Cafe, Production Team, Worship Team, Prayer and Kindness Team, Meet and Make, Come and See team, Job Club, Welcome and Hospitality Teams, the Community Garden team, Unconditional Team, and countless other ways that our church is developed and sustained by the active involvement of our members.

We are also grateful to the many volunteers from the wider community who have generously supported our Social Supermarket. Without their contribution, it would not have been possible to serve our community as effectively as we do.

The PCC, Ben, and Hanelle extend their deepest gratitude to all the volunteers who have given countless hours of their time to serve St. Peter's and the community. We acknowledge that our ministries' success is built on the foundation of their dedication and commitment.

Ben and Hanelle also extend their heartfelt gratitude to the dedicated members of the St. Peter's PCC who have played an essential role in advancing the church's mission and ensuring the smooth functioning of its operations. They would like to recognize the invaluable contributions of the Churchwardens, Joel Power and Sarah Pellew, as well as Chris Harvey, the Treasurer, for their exemplary leadership and wise counsel on the standing committee.

Colin Plant, the Vice Chair of PCC, and Lynne Wilkinson, the representative of the Deanery Synod, have also been instrumental in shaping the growth and development of St. Peter's. The elected PCC members, Sarah-Salome Ajayi, Phil Allen, Christopher Harvey, Jason Archie-Acheampong, Andy Parnham, Nita Rogers, and Myra Thompson, have likewise made significant contributions to the church's progress. Lastly, Ben and Hanelle would like to express their appreciation to the diligent staff who have been instrumental in the church's day-to-day operations.

FINANCIAL REVIEW / EXPENDITURE

Total receipts were £585,462 (£380,849 2021).

The total receipts consisted of

Voluntary giving of £386,573 (£282,945 2021)

Gift Aid recovered of £73,399 (£53,537 2021)

Grants of £47,075 (£18,625 2021)

Other Income of £78,404 (£25,741 2021)

Planned giving increased by 37% with the number of regular givers increasing from 148 in January 2022 to 151 in December 2022.

Expenditure for the year has increased on previous years due to the growth in activity and need of the local community. Total expenditure for 2022 was £590,347 (£382,287 2021)

Our Parish Support Fund contribution for 2022 was £40,950 (£31,075 2021).

The total net assets at 31 December 2022 was £89,231 (£94,112 2021) of which £48,624 (£16,165 2021) was restricted and £69,786 (£90,131 2021) was cash balance at the bank.

RESERVES POLICY

It is the PCC policy to try to maintain a sufficient balance in our Bank Current Account to pay for our recurring and other normal expenditures for at least three months. When there is the need, more funds are transferred from the CCLA Deposit Fund to the current account to pay for some one-off larger bills.

It is our policy to invest some of our fund balances with the interest yielding CCLA Church of England Deposit Fund. The CCLA balance at 31 December 2022 was £25,507 and formed part of the Net Assets.

BUILDINGS REPORT

Overall the building is in good condition and annual safety inspections were carried out. We are planning for a Quinquennial Inspection in 2023. Routine maintenance and safety inspections were carried out successfully.

Several improvements were made in and around the building. The stained glass windows were cleaned and repaired, which enhanced the visual appeal of the building. The signs were also refreshed to match the St. Peter's colours, creating a more cohesive look.

To enhance hygiene in the building, hand towels and soap dispensers were installed in all the restrooms. This measure ensures that everyone who uses the facilities can maintain good personal hygiene. Additionally, diffusers were placed around the building to refresh the air and provide a pleasant aroma, creating a more inviting environment for everyone.

To create more storage space, the staff carried out a thorough cleaning during the summer, giving us more space for storage. In addition a storage area was built in the Cranfield space, for both the Children's Ministry and Growing Hope.

Externally seven bike racks were installed and are being used frequently, and a gardening project was launched with a group of enthusiastic gardeners. This has been a great benefit to both the community as anyone can join the group, and it has improved the grounds. As part of the planned works for Quality Improvement (QI), significant repairs were undertaken on the external stonework of the building's northeast corner. These repairs were extensive in nature and aimed to address any existing issues and prevent further damage.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) is a corporate body established by the Church of England operating under the Parochial Church Council Powers Measure (1956 as amended) and the Church Representation Rules (2022). In 2018 the PCC became a charity registered with the Charity Commission for England and Wales (registered number 1180277). Membership of the PCC consists of the Incumbent, Churchwardens, Deanery Synod representatives and elected members of the congregation who are on the electoral roll. The PCC members are responsible for working with the incumbent in making decisions on all matters of general concern and importance to the parish including agreeing on how the funds of the PCC are to be spent.

The PCC met bi-monthly and attendance by members was very good.

ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

St Peter's Church is situated on Wickham Road, Brockley, London SE4. It is part of the Diocese of Southwark within the Church of England. The correspondence address is St Peter's Brockley, Wickham Road, Brockley, London SE4 1LT.

PCC members who served during 2022/2023 were:

Year 2021/22

Vicar:	The Revd. Benjamin Jones	Chair
Vice Chair:	Mr Colin Plant	
Curate:	Revd. Chris Gaul	
Churchwardens:	Ms Sarah Pellew Mrs Lynne Wilkinson	
Representatives on the Deanery Synod:	Mr Colin Plant Mrs Lynne Wilkinson	
Elected members	Ms Sarah-Salome Ajayi Mr Phil Allen Mr Harneck Chilemba Mr Christopher Harvey Mrs Elizabeth Henriette Ms Lydia Lennard Mr Andy Parnham Mrs Nita Rogers Ms Myra Thompson	Treasurer

Year 2022/23

Vicar:	The Revd. Benjamin Jones	Chair
Vice Chair:	Mr Colin Plant	
Curate:	Revd. Chris Gaul Revd. Joel Soares	
Churchwardens:	Ms Sarah Pellew Mr Joel Power	
Representatives on the Deanery Synod:	Mr Colin Plant Mrs Lynne Wilkinson	
Elected members	Ms Sarah-Salome Ajayi Mr Phil Allen Mr Christopher Harvey Mr Jason Archie-Acheampong Mr Andy Parnham Mrs Nita Rogers Ms Myra Thompson	Treasurer

Approved by the PCC on **17th April 2023**

and signed on their behalf by Revd. Benjamin Jones (Chair of PCC)

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Benjamin Jones', written in a cursive style.

and Christopher Harvey (Treasurer)

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Christopher Harvey', written in a cursive style.

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES ON THE
UNAUDITED ACCOUNTS OF THE PCC OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF
ST PETER'S BROCKLEY**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of The PCC of the Ecclesiastical Parish of St Peter's Brockley for the year ended 31 December 2022, which are set out on pages 17 to 26.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the Charity you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011.

I report in respect of my examination of the trustees' accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

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

- (1) accounting records were not kept in respect of the Charity as required by section 130 of the
- (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.



C J Goodhead FCA
Knight Goodhead Limited
Chartered Accountants

7 Bournemouth Road
Chandler's Ford, Eastleigh
Hampshire, SO53 3DA

Dated: 1 September 2023

Parochial Church Council of St Peters Brockley
Statement of Financial Activities

For the year ended 31 December 2022

	Note	Statement of Financial Activity					
		Unrestricted	Restricted	TOTAL	Unrestricted	Restricted	TOTAL
		£	£	£	£	£	£
			2022		2021		
INCOME FROM:							
Voluntary Income		406,951	100,107	507,058	324,576	30,533	355,109
Church Activities		34,609	512	35,120	18,395	-	18,395
Church Rental Income		11,715	-	11,715	6,815	-	6,815
Other Income		368	31,201	31,569	532	-	532
TOTAL INCOME	2	453,642	131,820	585,462	350,317	30,533	380,849
EXPENDITURE ON:							
Charitable Activities		489,996	95,861	585,857	328,268	48,396	376,666
Governance Costs		4,489	-	4,489	5,622	-	5,622
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	2	494,485	95,861	590,346	333,889	48,396	382,287
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE) BEFORE TRANSFER OF FUNDS		(40,843)	35,959	(4,884)	16,427	(17,863)	(1,436)
Gross transfer in funds		3,500	- 3,500	-	-	-	0
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		(37,343)	32,459	(4,884)	16,426	(17,863)	(1,439)
Balances brought forward at 1 January 2022		77,950	16,165	94,112	61,524	34,028	95,551
BALANCES CARRIED FORWARD AT 31 DECEMBER 2022		40,607	48,624	89,231	77,950	16,165	94,112

Parochial Church Council of St Peters Brockley
Balance Sheet at 31 December 2022

	2022	2021
Note	£	£
FIXED ASSETS		
General Fixed Assets	2,201	333
Kids Bus	6,283	0
Office Equipment	1,785	23
PA/AV Equipment	5,114	10,547
5	15,383	10,903
CURRENT ASSETS		
Main Church Account	13,741	34,227
CCLA Deposit Account	25,507	25,176
Expense Card Accounts	432	709
Premium account	30,106	30,020
Prepayments	6 19,383	2,307
Giving owed to St Peters	6 13,774	9,693
Accounts Receivable	6 0	1,585
	102,942	103,715
LIABILITIES		
Account Payable	7,337	5,150
Accruals	2,076	2,516
Deposits for Room Hire	1,500	1,500
Deffered Income	16,345	4,990
Payroll Payable	1,836	6,349
Liabilities due within one year	7 (29,095)	(20,505)
NET CURRENT ASSETS	73,847	83,211
NET ASSETS	89,231	94,112
RESERVES		
Excess/ (deficit) to date	(4,884)	(1,439)
Starting Balances	94,112	95,551
	89,231	94,112
FUNDS		
Unrestricted	11 40,607	77,948
Restricted	48,624	16,165
	89,231	94,112

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on:
and signed on its behalf by:

Revd Ben Jones
Vicar / Chair of Trustees



Chris Harvey
Treasurer



The notes on pages 11 to 15 form part of these financial statements

For the year ended 31 December 2022

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 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) (effective 1 January 2015) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2015.

The PCC meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy note(s).

Reconciliation with previous Generally Accepted Accounting Practice

In preparing the accounts, the PCC has considered whether in applying the accounting policies required by FRS 102 and the Charities SORP (FRS 102) the restatement of comparative items was required. No restatements have been considered necessary.

Funds

General funds represent the funds of the PCC that are not subject to any restrictions regarding their use and are available for application on the general purposes of the PCC. Restricted funds are those donated for specific purposes.

Income

Voluntary income and capital sources

Donations and other income are recognised when received and an estimate of income tax recoverable is recognised when the related donations are recognised.

Grants and legacies to the PCC are accounted for as soon as the PCC is notified of its legal entitlement, the amount due is quantifiable and its ultimate receipt by the PCC is probable.

Sales of books and magazines from the church bookstall are accounted for gross.

Other income

Rental income from the letting of church premises is recognised when the rental is due.

Gifts in Kind

Gifts in kind are accounted for at a reasonable estimate of their value to the charity or the amount actually realised.

Income from investments

Dividends are accounted for when due and payable. Interest entitlements are accounted for as they accrue . Tax recoverable on such income is recognised in the same accounting year.

Gains and losses on investments

Realised gains or losses are recognised when investments are sold.

Unrealised gains or losses are accounted for on revaluation of investments at 31 December.

Grants

Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over, or when awarded.

For the year ended 31 December 2022

Expenditure

Church activities

The diocesan Common Fund is accounted for when paid. Any Common Fund unpaid at 31 December is provided for in these accounts as an operational (though not a legal) liability and is shown as a creditor in the Balance Sheet.

Expenditure incurred in the operation of the church is classed as charitable activities.

Fixed assets

Fixed assets used by the PCC

In the absence of an actual cost, the insurance valuation has been used as the deemed cost for operational assets, with no depreciation charge being made during the year due to the long life of the asset and regular maintenance.

Consecrated property and moveable church furnishings

Consecrated and beneficed property of any kind is excluded from the accounts by s.10 of the Charities Act 2011.

Moveable church furnishings held by the Vicar and Churchwardens on special trust for the PCC, and which require a faculty for disposal, are accounted as inalienable property unless consecrated. They are listed in the church's Inventory which can be inspected (at any reasonable time). For inalienable property acquired prior to 2003 there is insufficient cost information available and therefore such assets are not valued in the accounts. No such Items have been acquired since 1 January 2003.

All expenditure incurred in the year on consecrated or beneficed buildings or on the repair of movable church furnishings acquired before 1 January 2003 is written off.

Other fixtures, fittings and office equipment

Only items of greater than £500 are capitalised. Church worship equipment comprises a number of electrical and other items connected with sound, vision and worship. They will be depreciated over three years from date of first use. Computer and office equipment and furnishings are depreciated over three years from date of first use.

Current assets

Amounts owing to the PCC at 31 December in respect of fees, rents or other income are shown as debtors less provision for amounts that may prove uncollectable.

For the year ended 31 December 2022

2. Financial Statement

	2022			2021		
	Unrestricted	Restricted	TOTAL	Unrestricted	Restricted	TOTAL
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Donation						
Collections	4,698	777	5,475	895	231	1,126
Gift Aid	63,193	10,206	73,399	51,267	2,270	53,537
Grants	4,250	42,835	47,085	3,000	15,625	18,625
One off gifts - Gift Aided	20,595	31,837	52,432	30,753	5,455	36,207
One off gifts - Not Gift Aided	8,516	8,181	16,697	17,131	3,372	20,503
Planned giving - Gift Aided	222,774	5,587	228,361	170,429	3,270	173,698
Planned giving - Not Gift Aided	82,709	685	83,393	51,100	310	51,410
Special Appeals	216	-	216	-	-	-
Total Donation	406,951	100,107	507,058	324,576	30,533	355,109

Church Activities

Cafe	-	444	444	410	-	410
Dance Class Income	31,432	-	31,432	15,557	-	15,557
Events	195	68	263	503	-	503
Funeral Fees	232	-	232	626	-	626
Little Fishes	2,223	-	2,223	1,268	-	1,268
Wedding Fees	526	-	526	31	-	31
Total Church Activities	34,609	512	35,120	18,395	-	18,395

Rental

Church Rental-Ad hoc	11,715	-	11,715	6,815	-	6,815
Total Rental	11,715	-	11,715	6,815	-	6,815

Other Income

Bank interest	368	-	368	32	-	32
Food donated	-	31,201	31,201	-	-	-
Sales of products	-	-	-	500	-	500
Total Other Income	368	31,201	31,569	532	-	532

Total Income	453,642	131,820	585,462	350,317	30,533	380,849
---------------------	----------------	----------------	----------------	----------------	---------------	----------------

	2022			2021		
	Unrestricted	Restricted	TOTAL	Unrestricted	Restricted	TOTAL
Worship						
Celebration Services	349	-	349	-	-	-
Christmas	7,170	-	7,170	7,769	-	7,769
Depreciation on PA/AV Equipment	2,452	2,981	5,433	5,229	2,236	7,465
Easter	1,360	-	1,360	611	-	611
Preaching and Teaching	199	-	199	362	-	362
Production and Livestreaming	4,294	-	4,294	4,073	310	4,382
Sundays Content	322	-	322	448	-	448
Sundays Evening	4,351	-	4,351	164	-	164
Sundays Morning	1,562	-	1,562	437	-	437
Wedding Cost	-	150	150	63	-	63
Worship	2,249	-	2,249	729	-	729
Worship Team	525	-	525	398	-	398
Total Worship	24,683	2,981	27,664	20,283	2,545	22,829

Community

Bumps and Babies	2,450	-	2,450	3,675	-	3,675
Dance Expenses	19,176	-	19,176	13,271	-	13,271
Depreciation on Kids Bus	217	-	217	-	-	-
Dicipleship & Hubs	5,188	-	5,188	551	-	551
Events	4,073	-	4,073	2,671	-	2,671
Fellowship Fund	-	7,469	7,469	-	1,660	1,660
Food given away	-	31,201	31,201	-	-	-
Kids	9,884	-	9,884	1,914	-	1,914
Leadership Development	1,501	-	1,501	111	-	111
Little Fishes Exp	340	-	340	625	-	625
Men Ministry	382	-	382	34	-	34
Newcombers	2,582	-	2,582	689	-	689
Pastoral	997	-	997	944	-	944
Students	840	-	840	773	-	773
Unconditional	-	259	259	-	-	-
Villages	17	-	17	595	-	595
Wildfires	1,267	-	1,267	-	-	-
Youth	4,372	-	4,372	4,394	-	4,394
Total Community	53,284	38,929	92,212	30,179	1,660	31,839

Mission

CAP	819	-	819	915	-	915
Church Planting	1,927	-	1,927	281	-	281
Compassion and Local	160	-	160	-	-	-
Evangelism	21	-	21	-	-	-
Food Bank and Social Supermarket	-	12,756	12,756	207	10,081	10,288
Grants and Giving Away	18,500	3,500	22,000	11,585	265	11,850
Life Course	16,628	-	16,628	352	-	352
Love Brockley	-	436	436	-	-	-
Total Mission	38,054	16,692	54,746	13,339	10,346	23,685

Operations

Bad Debt	1,460	-	1,460	-	-	-
Cleaning	14,146	-	14,146	10,181	-	10,181
Communication & Media	1,142	-	1,142	624	-	624
Depreciation on IT	22	-	22	748	-	748
Depreciation on office equipment	1,066	-	1,066	1,457	-	1,457
Electric	7,816	-	7,816	3,640	-	3,640
Facilities Planning	1,108	-	1,108	4,055	-	4,055
Finance	6,026	-	6,026	2,765	-	2,765
Garden Maintenance	905	2,202	3,107	1,118	-	1,118
Gas	14,244	-	14,244	10,776	-	10,776
Hospitality	269	-	269	333	-	333
Insurance	6,650	-	6,650	6,457	-	6,457
IT	2,727	-	2,727	2,464	-	2,464
Office equipments	468	-	468	75	-	75
Office Management	907	-	907	729	-	729
Office Supplies	2,239	-	2,239	767	-	767

Recruitment	1,465	-	1,465	-	-	-
Repairs and Maintenance	24,969	-	24,969	17,140	-	17,140
Shared Consumables	6,208	-	6,208	1,163	-	1,163
Shared Equipment	439	-	439	630	-	630
Travel	61	-	61	147	-	147
Volunteer Support	712	-	712	20	-	20
Water	45	-	45	91	-	91
Total Operations	95,096	2,202	97,298	65,380	-	65,380

Staff

Admin	20,998	-	20,998	20,733	-	20,733
Childrens Pastor	30,695	-	30,695	18,370	-	18,370
Church Leader	17,998	-	17,998	13,810	-	13,810
Comms and Media Manager	947	-	947	-	-	-
Dance Co-ordinator	6,610	-	6,610	5,943	-	5,943
Facilities and Events	1,991	-	1,991	-	-	-
Facilities Officer	5,847	269	6,115	7,670	-	7,670
Families Worker	1,329	-	1,329	-	-	-
Food Bank Manager	-	1,257	1,257	-	-	-
Life Course and Evening Service Pastor	8,592	-	8,592	-	-	-
Love Brockley and Pastoral Leader	18,567	14,655	33,222	6,764	26,085	32,848
Operations Director	32,365	-	32,365	22,916	-	22,916
Operations Manager	11,834	-	11,834	17,514	-	17,514
Production Team Lead	11,514	-	11,514	3,321	-	3,321
Student Leader	8,594	-	8,594	10,950	-	10,950
Worship Admin	1,673	-	1,673	4,268	-	4,268
Worship Pastor	14,886	-	14,886	6,791	7,500	14,291
Youth Pastor	17,816	-	17,816	13,386	-	13,386
Total Staff	212,256	16,181	228,436	152,435	33,585	186,020

Human Resources

Accommodation	12,480	18,877	31,357	8,756	-	8,756
Clergy Expenses	1,055	-	1,055	192	-	192
Clergy Housing	1,282	-	1,282	1,103	-	1,103
Staff Hospitality	2,061	-	2,061	528	-	528
Staff Training	607	-	607	748	-	748
Staff Well Being	4,132	-	4,132	1,127	-	1,127
Team Training	4,056	-	4,056	3,122	260	3,382
Total Staff	25,673	18,877	44,550	15,577	260	15,837

Parish Share

Parish Share	40,950	-	40,950	31,075	-	31,075
Total Parish Share	40,950	-	40,950	31,075	-	31,075

Governance

Independent Examinar	2,020	-	2,020	1,500	-	1,500
Payroll	342	-	342	443	-	443
PCC Expenses	312	-	312	79	-	79
Professional Fees	1,815	-	1,815	3,600	-	3,600
Total Governance	4,489	-	4,489	5,622	-	5,622

Total Operating Expenses	494,485	95,861	590,346	333,889	48,396	382,287
---------------------------------	----------------	---------------	----------------	----------------	---------------	----------------

Parochial Church Council of St Peters Brockley
Notes to the Financial Statements

3. STAFF COSTS

	2022	2021
	£	£
Wages and salaries (incl PAYE)	181,026	159,517
Social security costs	8,448	1,440
Pension costs	3,958	2,147
Freelance Staff costs	35,004	22,916
	228,436	186,020

	2022	2021
Total amount of staff employed	13	11
No staff member was paid over £60,000 in 2021		

4. Mission Grants

Grant Recipient	Grant Amount	Purpose
Congregation in Need	7,469	Fellowship Fund
Growing Hope	15,000	
Spinnaker Trust	400	
London City Mission	200	
Power the Fight	2,350	
Deptford Denery	120	
The Spring	1,250	
Vinjeru School	1,100	
Total	27,889	

5. FIXED ASSETS FOR USE BY THE PCC

		General Fixed Assets	Kids Bus	Office Equipment	PA/AV Equipment	Total
		£		£	£	£
Actual/Revalued cost	At 1 January 2022	5,257	0	3,085	28,385	36,727
	Additions during year	2,935	6,500	1,785	0	11,220
	Disposals during year	0		0	0	0
	At 31 December 2022	8,192	6,500	4,870	28,385	47,947
Depreciation	At 1 January 2022	4,925	0	3,062	17,838	25,825
	Charge for the year	1,066	217	23	5,433	6,739
	Disposals during year					0
	At 31 December 2022	5,991	217	3,085	23,271	32,564
Net Book Value	At 1 January 2022	333	0	23	10,547	10,903
	At 31 December 2022	2,201	6,283	1,785	5,114	15,383

6. Debtors

	2022	2021
Prepayments and accrued income	19,383	2,307
Giving owed to St Peters	13,774	9,693
Accounts Receivable	0	1,585
Total	33,156	13,584

7. Creditors (amounts falling due less than one year)

	2022	2021
Accounts Payable	7,337	5,150
Accruals	2,076	2,516
Deposit for room hire	1,500	1,500
Deffered Income	16,345	4,990
Payroll Payable	1,836	6,349
Total Current Liabilities	29,095	20,505

Parochial Church Council of St Peters Brockley
Notes to the Financial Statements

8. Contingent Liabilities

There were no contingent liabilities at the end of 31st December 2022. (2021: None)

9. Related Party Transactions

Name	Relationship	2022	2021	Duties
Hanelle Jones	Wife of Incumbent	17,997	15,190	Community Engagement
Magrat Plant	Wife of PCC Member	11,730	4,384	Supplier
Chris Henriette	Husband of PCC Member	-	11,140	Youth Pastor

10. Restricted Funds

Donor	Purpose	Opening Balance £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfer from general funds £	Closing Balance £
CRT	New Worshipping Community	0	16,185	(18,877)	0	(2,692)
Lottery Grant	Screen	7,452	0	(2,981)	0	4,471
All Churches Trust	Growing Hope Brockley	3,000	0	(3,000)	0	0
Various Donors	Building Fund	0	22,563	0	(6,500)	16,063
Various Donors	Foodbank	2,180	41,633	(26,560)	0	17,253
Love your Neighbour	Food donated to Foodbank	0	31,201	(31,201)	0	0
Various Donors	Fellowship Fund	3,052	6,751	(7,469)	0	2,334
Various Donors	Love Brockley	0	12,786	(5,515)	0	7,271
Various Donors	Unconditional	481	702	(259)	3,000	3,924
Total Restricted funds		16,165	131,820	(95,860)	(3,500)	48,624

11. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BY FUND

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	TOTAL FUNDS
Cash & deposit balances	28,614	41,172	69,786
Fixed Assets	7,932	7,452	15,383
Other Assets	33,156	0	33,156
Total Assets	69,702	48,624	118,326
Current Liabilities	29,095	-	29,095
	40,607	48,624	89,231

Accounts



Annual Report of the Parochial Church Council for the year ended 31 December 2021

AIMS AND PURPOSES

The primary objective of St Peter's PCC is the promotion of the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ. St Peter's PCC has the responsibility of co-operating with the church leaders (the Revd Ben Jones and Hanelle Jones), in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. It also has responsibilities for the parish finances, fabric and contents of the building, and safeguarding.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The PCC's main objective continued to be to grow the life of the Church and to see how we can best help, and minister to the needs of our local community and beyond. In 2021 the PCC gave to the following Charities: Wave Ministry in Bosnia and Tea Deak working as a missionary in Bosnia; Power the fight, Growing Hope Brockley, St. Stephens School, The Spring, and Vinjeru School Trust. The PCC also supported those in financial hardship in the church through the Fellowship Fund, and to those in the local community through the St Peter's social supermarket (food bank).

To facilitate St Peter's evangelistic mission in the local area and beyond it is important that the fabric of the church is maintained and opportunities for development identified.

VISION AND VALUES

During the year we refined our vision to reflect the call we believe God has given us to plant and graft churches across south east London. This vision has been endorsed by the diocese who announced their intention to designate St Peter's as a 'resourcing church' to support this ambition.

Vision

With God's help, we aim "to play our part in bringing heaven and South East London together".

Mission

In order to do this, we want to support everyone to be disciples of Jesus, i.e. to "be with Jesus, become like Jesus, do what Jesus did, and help one another do the same".

Core Values

We are working to ensure that everything we do has the following characteristics:

Feels like FAMILY

Church is a diverse family where we can be fully known, unconditionally loved and become who we're created to be

Empowered by the SPIRIT

We are filled, led and empowered by the Holy Spirit to do what we see the Father doing

Make JESUS known

Everything we do is an opportunity for others to experience the love and power of Jesus and find fullness of life in him

Adventurously LOCAL

Our priority is not to become an attractional church but to be generous in planting and grafting churches across SE London

EVERYDAY not an event

Following Jesus happens Monday to Saturday. On Sunday we gather to celebrate all he is doing and to be equipped to bring heaven and earth together.

This vision and these values have increasingly been used to direct and refine all that we do, and how we do it.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

WORSHIP AND PRAYER

Maintaining a sense of family where people can be fully known, unconditionally loved and become who they are called to be has been very challenging as Covid-19 restrictions have necessarily hindered meeting together in person. But onsite services increased during the year and Villages, our mid-week, mid-sized worshipping communities have been central to maintaining the sense of family during this time, along with other opportunities to gather in smaller groups through mid-week ministries. And the full launch of a new, weekly, Sunday evening service with less structure and more opportunity to worship and experience the Spirit has created a further opportunity for family life.

Continuing to commit to livestreaming services has increased our reach into the community we serve to offer accessible messages for unbelievers and relevant, engaging talks from the Bible have sought to help people encounter Jesus for themselves and become confident in sharing him with others. The opportunities provided by Covid-19 have led us to focus less on the 'attractional' Sunday service and more on the core discipleship imperative of enabling all St Peter's members to be like Jesus and help others do the same.

Whether online or onsite, extended times of worship and time and space for prayer ministry in the power of the Spirit has been central in creating a context whereby people can experience God's love and power for themselves and come to the realisation that they are most at home in his presence.

The midweek communion service was re-started during the year as Government and Church of England guidelines allowed. Our mid-week evening prayer meeting continued on Zoom as well as returning to the building, to facilitate intercessory prayer for our church and local community.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

The year started with us being in the Covid pandemic and having virtual kids church over Zoom to connect with our kids at church and their families. Zoom let us keep building community and relationships and encourage the kids that they can experience God from their homes, just as they do in church meetings. The Zoom sessions were about an hour long and included different team members and different sections like worship, games, Bible Story, Action, Circle time and prayer. During Easter we had all age clay figure making for Good Friday showing the kids' emotions looking at the cross. Easter Sunday we had an all

age service and Easter egg hunt in the church grounds. Over the summer we ran one week of in person summer club in church for 30 children from church, Growing Hope, the social supermarket and community kids. The theme was being “fully known” as it says in Psalm 139. The club included Art, Dance, Games, songwriting and activities celebrating the children’s’ God-given talents. From September to the end of the year we have run Kids church in person on a Sunday morning between 10.30 and 12 noon. During our sessions we use a visual timetable and Makaton signs for greetings like ‘hello, how are you’, ‘snack’, ‘toilet’, ‘Jesus’ and ‘God’ so that our children with additional needs can participate. We do crafts, Bible reading, teaching, games, watch short videos together, prayer, and circle time. On average we get about 60 kids in total.

We have also had the opportunity to run a few family events. In October we had a Light Trail on Halloween where families from church and in the community came to church for ‘light themed’ songs and food before picking up a pack and a treasure map which took them on a tour around the neighborhood looking for sweets and further clues. Around 90 children attended. At Christmas, the church put on events around the theme of ‘Hope’s First Cry’. We included animal petting with donkeys, pygmy goats and Shetland ponies at the church for the star switch on and a Christingle service. The Christingle service involved all kids’ groups participating to tell the story of the Nativity. Rockets did a dance based on the wise men, Comets acted as the angels and shepherds and all 3 kids groups including Shooting Stars came on to sing Away in a Manger with Makaton signs for the crib scene. The Christingle service saw many community families attend.

YOUNG PEOPLE’S MINISTRY

The young people from St Peter’s have been a part of all ministries within the church as well as having their own space to explore faith online and on the bus. Young people in the church are part of the AV, worship, welcome team as well as readings for the service. They also took part in the Easter art installation and Christmas services.

The early part of the year centred around getting the bus ready so it felt like a special resource for the young people and could be ‘home’. This happened while running youth Alpha online during the early 2021 lockdown and having a group of older young people attending the Life Course.

The return to in person sessions saw the young people engaged with eco church activities, creating compost bins for the church from reclaimed materials and building bird boxes.

Partnering with XLP we delivered mentoring sessions in Haberdasher’s Aske’s school for young people who needed extra support and started the after-school sessions on Wednesdays evenings - using the bus to help young people with homework and create a space for positive peer and community relationships.

The Young people supported by the production team created a live broadcast to launch the bus officially in the summer term of 2021.

Chris Henriette, our youth worker, left the role in July to pursue ordination training. An interim youth leader was appointed to cover the winter term, with a substantive appointment made for January 2022.

ACTIVITIES IN OUR BUILDING

Activities in our building were curtailed, particularly in the first half of the year, because of Covid. In addition to the various lockdowns where we were required to close the building, the church leaders took the decision to open the building (when allowed) only when the following criteria were met: that we could do so without undue risk to the health of the church family; and when we could be confident that we would not be the cause of a local spike in cases in the community we serve. The church building therefore remained closed for short periods when technically allowed to open.

The Friendship Café continued to open using the church garden and the building as covid restrictions permitted. Anything from 10 to 20 people enjoyed a good chat over drinks and cake, from the church family and the local community. Modest amounts of money were raised and donated to St. Peter's Fellowship Fund.

The Little Fishes Toddler Group started meeting again in September 2021. It regularly had up to 60 children along with their adults attend. Little Fishes serves a mixture of community families and church families too. Around three families have also joined the church as a result of attending Little Fishes.

Also, in September Bumps & Babies re-started in person with a visiting breast-feeding specialist and two breast-feeding peer supporters. There have been up to 18 members in the group some weeks and through Bumps and Babies, some members of the group have attended church on a Sunday.

Dance @ St Peter's returned to the building in 2021, as guidelines have allowed, including reintroducing our community cafe and family waiting area in the church. We saw 557 sign ups in total across the year (sign ups are per class, for a term) for dance or fitness classes, from 18 months to senior citizens. About 20 families have come to church as a result, including one mum and dad both getting baptised.

The CAP Job Club offered three courses over the year, all on site in line with Government Covid-19 regulations. A Zoom alternative was offered but not taken up. The Club supported about 18 job seekers in developing greater employability skills and confidence. This has led to a small number of clients joining the church.

The Food Bank, created in 2020 to respond to the immediate needs of the community when the pandemic struck has been developed into a Social Supermarket, where clients are invited to make a small contribution for their produce, and given much greater freedom in selecting produce that is most beneficial in their circumstances. This has continued to run with the generous grant from Bridge Point and weekly support from Holy Trinity Brompton (through 'Love Your Neighbour') and supported around 80-100 families/households each week with a weekly shop. This activity has been supported with a number of other community development activities such as health and wellbeing advice, kindness/prayer services and links to the Lewisham CAP Debt Centre run by our partner church, Grace Church Brockley.

A new ministry, named 'Unconditional', to support those caught up in domestic violence was developed during the year for launch in 2022.

St Peter's partnership with Growing Hope Brockley has continued to mutual benefit. Growing Hope offers free support for children with additional needs. This service launched in July 2021 and has continued both onsite and online. In the year Growing Hope Brockley supported 111 children, siblings, parents and carers through therapy & training. Therapies offered include Occupational therapy, Integrative therapy and Music therapy and were offered online and in person. 87% of therapy goals were met and those who were not were due to non-attendance. Parents were offered both parent training sessions and support groups. Additional training sessions were carried out in local schools to support teaching staff. £37,805 was raised to grow hope in the lives of people in Lewisham and Southwark.

We have continued to offer a base for the London School of Supernatural Ministry, which offers discipleship courses to St Peter's members and wider. Again, LSSM has met both onsite and online during the year.

PASTORAL CARE

Pastoral care at St Peter's is primarily overseen by 'village' group leaders and key staff members. We also have a strong lay pastoral team of which our SPAs, Sylvia Richards and Carol Smith, have taken Communion to the housebound, visited the sick at home or in hospital and given practical help where they could.

Fellowship meals in members' homes have happened at various times throughout the year and newcomers' lunches were regular events. Both have provided opportunities to draw individuals and families closer to each other in fellowship and in mutual support.

MISSION AND EVANGELISM

This year we ran a 'Life Course' for people exploring faith and meaning. The Life Course included discussion groups considering what meaning/s we attribute to our lives and went on to consider the main Christian claims. We had over 35 people on the course and saw an encouraging number come to faith. We have also continued to see people come to faith on Sundays during our morning service and have continued to reach out evangelistically to our community through mid-week community projects such as dance. The Social Supermarket has been particularly fruitful in sharing faith with our neighbours.

Our Balkan mission in association with the Wave mission organised through the New Hope Baptist church in Tuzla Bosnia has continued, but much curtailed by travel restrictions brought about by Covid-19.

SAFEGUARDING

Margret Plant is our Parish Safeguarding Officer, supported by Anne Whyte, Assistant Safeguarding Officer.

We take all aspects of child and adult safeguarding seriously. This will help to provide a safe environment for our children and adults at risk. This year we have reviewed our safeguarding policy, through the Leadership Team and the PCC, making sure that we are following guidance set in law and policy, and helping to raise awareness of the importance of safeguarding in all our church activities. Risk assessments have been carried out for relevant church activities.

We continue to review, monitor, and update our DBS systems (criminal record checks for those working with children and adults at risk).

ELECTORAL ROLL AND CHURCH ATTENDANCE

The 2021 APCM was undertaken in May 2021 in line with Southwark Diocese guidelines. In April 2021 there were 91 names on the Electoral Roll. After Government/ Church of England Covid restrictions were lifted in September, average Sunday attendance to the end of the year was 114 adults and 50 children (mornings) and 25 adults (evenings). Numbers engaging with the church online are harder to measure, but there continued to be a significant additional number of people engaging online. The traditional Christmas Christingle Service attracted 257 adults and 50 children under 16, with a further 236 adults at our traditional evening carol service.

DEANERY SYNOD

We have two representatives on the Deanery Synod, one of whom is the Lay Chair of the Deanery Synod and the other is the Deanery Secretary.

Deptford Deanery continues to focus on the following areas: Prayer, Collaboration, Mission. The purpose of the Deanery's work is to build an ethos that reflects the statement "rooted in my parish and connected to my deanery", enabling every church member to see themselves as having a contribution to make in their

parish as well as in the wider church. Due to the continuing pandemic there were only two Deanery Forums and one Deanery Synod meeting. The May Forum was online and led by Ben Lindsay (from Power the Fight) entitled 'Let's Talk About Race - Unconscious Bias'. This was well attended by around fifty members of St. Peter's. The second Forum was held at St. Catherine's Church with the aim of helping everyone gather together to discuss racial justice and work out how to move this forward in the context of the various Deanery Churches.

The Archbishops' 'Thy Kingdom Come' 10 days of prayer was again held online comprising an Ascension Day Service and a seven day Novena.

The Deanery Leadership Team continued to meet regularly online and in person planning for 2021/2.

ECUMENICAL RELATIONSHIPS

St. Peter's is a member of Brockley Churches Together and has continued a strong link with Brockley Community Church, although Covid restrictions meant BCC weren't able to hold their traditional Christmas Eve service. Strong links have continued with the Ravensbourne Team Ministry. We are also a part of 'Table' a group of church plants and grafts from Kings Cross Church led by Pete and Bee Hughes. The difficulties of meeting in 2021 have meant that, whilst still relationally important, these networks have not been as active this year as in previous years.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Total receipts were £380,848 (2020: £362,629).

The total receipts consisted of

- Voluntary giving of £282,945 (2020: £215,128)
- Gift Aid recovered of £53,537 (2020: £38,153)
- Grants of £18,625 (2020: £83,850)
- Other Income of £25,741 (2020: £25,497)

Planned giving increased by 32% with the number of regular givers increasing from 111 in January 2021 to 140 in December 2021.

Expenditure for the year has increased on previous years due to the growth in activity and need of the local community. Total expenditure for 2021 was £382,287 (2020: £350,687)

Our Parish Support Fund contribution for 2021 was £31,075 (2020: £28,333).

The total net assets at 31 December 2021 was £94,112 (2020: £95,551) of which £16,165 (2020: £34,028) was restricted and £90,131 (2020: £80,142) was cash balance at the bank.

RESERVES POLICY

It is the PCC policy to try to maintain a sufficient balance in our Bank Current Account to pay for our recurring and other normal expenditures for at least three months. At 31 December 2021 unrestricted reserves were £77,950 (2020: £61,524). This equates to 4.6 months as at 31 December 2021 (2020: 3.7months). When there is the need, more funds are transferred from the CCLA Deposit Fund to the current account to pay for some one-off larger bills.

It is our policy to invest some of our fund balances with the interest yielding CCLA Church of England Deposit Fund. The CCLA balance at 31 December 2021 was £25,176 and formed part of the Net Current Assets.

VOLUNTEERS

St Peter's has an exceptional culture of volunteering and lay leadership. The continuing strengthening of our ministries, particularly during the restrictions of lockdown, would not have been possible if it weren't for the incredible volunteers serving on the social supermarket, prayer and kindness team, job club, welcome and hospitality teams, children's ministry, production team, worship team, youth team, student team, Unconditional team and the many other ways the life of the church is developed and sustained by volunteer members of the church. This year has also continued to see a significant number of volunteers from members of the community not directly linked to the church, keen to support the social supermarket. The PCC and Ben and Hanelle would like to thank all those who serve as volunteers at St Peter's for the many hours of their time they give up to serve the church and community.

Ben and Hanelle would also like to thank the Churchwardens (Chris Lawson-Jones, Lynne Wilkinson and Sarah Pellew), Colin Plant (Vice Chair of PCC) and Chris Harvey (Treasurer) for their leadership and wisdom serving on the standing committee and PCC, and to the staff who manage so much of the day to day running of the church, particularly in such times of change.

BUILDINGS REPORT

Overall the building is in good condition and annual safety inspections were carried out. The plan of maintenance work from the Quinquennial Inspection in December 2018 is behind schedule due to the unforeseen circumstances of 2020/21, but a plan to bring all works up to date has been agreed. Routine maintenance and safety inspections were carried out successfully.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) is a corporate body established by the Church of England operating under the Parochial Church Council Powers Measure (1956 as amended) and the Church Representation Rules (2020). In 2018 the PCC became a charity registered with the Charity Commission for England and Wales (registered number 1180277). Membership of the PCC consists of the Incumbent, Churchwardens, Deanery Synod representatives and elected members of the congregation who are on the electoral roll. The PCC members are responsible for working with the Priest-in-Charge in making decisions on all matters of general concern and importance to the parish including agreeing on how the funds of the PCC are to be spent.

The PCC met monthly bi-monthly and attendance by members was very good.

ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

St Peter's Church is situated on Wickham Road, Brockley, London SE4. It is part of the Diocese of Southwark within the Church of England. The correspondence address is St Peter's Brockley, Wickham Road, Brockley, London SE4 1LT.

PCC members who served during 2021 were:

Year 2020/21

Priest-in-Charge:	The Revd Benjamin Jones Mrs Hanelle Jones	Chair
Vice Chair:	Mr Colin Plant	
Churchwardens:	Mr Chris Lawson Jones Mrs Lynne Wilkinson	
Representatives on the Deanery Synod:	Mr Colin Plant Mrs Lynne Wilkinson	
Elected members	Mr Daniel Carr Mr Harneck Chilemba Mr Christopher Harvey Mrs Elizabeth Henriette Ms Aideen Johnston Ms Lydia Lennard Mrs Helen Power Mrs Sylvia Richards Mrs Alice Toms Mrs Fidelis Wheeler	Treasurer

Year 2021/22

Priest-in-Charge:	The Revd Benjamin Jones Mrs Hanelle Jones	Chair
Pioneer Curate:	The Revd Chris Gaul	
Vice Chair:	Mr Colin Plant	
Churchwardens:	Ms Sarah Pellew Mrs Lynne Wilkinson	
Representatives on the Deanery Synod:	Mr Colin Plant Mrs Lynne Wilkinson	
Elected members	Ms Sarah-Salome Ajayi Mr Phil Allen Mr Harneck Chilemba Mr Christopher Harvey Mrs Elizabeth Henriette Ms Lydia Lennard Mr Andy Parnham Mrs Nita Rogers Ms Myra Thompson	Treasurer

Approved by the PCC on 25 April 2022
and signed on their behalf by Revd. Benjamin Jones (Chair of PCC)

INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES ON THE UNAUDITED ACCOUNTS OF THE PCC OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST PETER'S BROCKLEY

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of The PCC of the Ecclesiastical Parish of St Peter's Brockley for the year ended 31 December 2021, which are set out on pages 10 to 18.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the Charity you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011.

I report in respect of my examination of the trustees' accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

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

- (1) accounting records were not kept in respect of the Charity 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.



C J Goodhead FCA
Knight Goodhead Limited
Chartered Accountants

Dated: 12 May 2022

7 Bournemouth Road
Chandler's Ford, Eastleigh
Hampshire, SO53 3DA

Parochial Church Council of St Peters Brockley

Notes to the Financial Statements

For the year ended 31 December 2021

Note	Statement of Financial Activity					
	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	TOTAL FUNDS	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	TOTAL FUNDS
	£	2021 £	£	£	2020 £	£
INCOME FROM:						
Voluntary Income	324,575	30,533	355,108	238,146	98,987	337,132
Church Activities	18,395	-	18,395	23,762	-	23,762
Church Rental Income	6,815	-	6,815	1,375	-	1,375
Other Income	532	-	532	341	19	360
TOTAL INCOME	2 350,316	30,533	380,848	263,624	99,006	362,629
EXPENDITURE ON:						
Charitable Activities	325,502	48,396	373,900	269,356	76,479	345,836
Governance Costs	8,387	-	8,387	5,031	-	5,031
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	2 333,889	48,396	382,287	274,386	76,479	350,867
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE) BEFORE TRANSFER OF FUNDS	16,426	(17,863)	(1,439)	(10,762)	22,527	11,763
Gross transfer in funds	-	-	-	-	-	-
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS	16,426	(17,863)	(1,439)	(10,762)	22,527	11,763
Balances brought forward at 1 January 2021	61,524	34,028	95,551	72,287	11,501	83,788
BALANCES CARRIED FORWARD AT 31 DECEMBER 2021	77,950	16,165	94,112	61,524	34,028	95,551

Parochial Church Council of St Peters Brockley

Notes to the Financial Statements

For the year ended 31 December 2021

	2021	2020
Note	£	£
FIXED ASSETS		
Furniture	332	1,789
Office Equipment	23	771
PA/AV Equipment	10,548	8,270
5	10,903	10,830
CURRENT ASSETS		
Main Church Account	34,227	7,459
CCLA Deposit Account	25,176	25,162
Expense Card Accounts	709	505
Premium account	30,020	47,017
Prepayments	2,307	9,691
Gift Aid	9,693	3,076
Accounts Receivable	1,585	100
	103,715	93,009
LIABILITIES		
Account Payable	5,150	4,637
Accruals	2,517	1,500
Deposits for Room Hire	1,500	1,500
Deferred Income	4,990	0
Taxes & NI	6,349	650
Creditors due within one year	(20,506)	(8,287)
	83,210	84,723
NET CURRENT ASSETS		
	94,112	95,551
NET ASSETS		
RESERVES		
Excess/ (deficit) to date	(1,439)	11,763
Starting Balances	95,551	83,788
	94,112	95,551
FUNDS		
11	77,950	61,523
Unrestricted	16,165	34,028
Restricted	94,112	95,551

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on:

and signed on its behalf by:



Revd Ben Jones
Vicar / Chair of Trustees



Chris Harvey
Treasurer

The notes on pages 12 to 18 form part of these financial statements

Parochial Church Council of St Peters Brockley

Notes to the Financial Statements

For the year ended 31 December 2021

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 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) (effective 1 January 2015) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2015.

The PCC meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy note(s).

Reconciliation with previous Generally Accepted Accounting Practice

In preparing the accounts, the PCC has considered whether in applying the accounting policies required by FRS 102 and the Charities SORP (FRS 102) the restatement of comparative items was required. No restatements have been considered necessary.

Funds

General funds represent the funds of the PCC that are not subject to any restrictions regarding their use and are available for application on the general purposes of the PCC. Restricted funds are those donated for specific purposes.

Income

Voluntary income and capital sources

Donations and other income are recognised when received and an estimate of income tax recoverable is recognised when the related donations are recognised.

Grants and legacies to the PCC are accounted for as soon as the PCC is notified of its legal entitlement, the amount due is quantifiable and its ultimate receipt by the PCC is probable.

Sales of books and magazines from the church bookstall are accounted for gross.

Other income

Rental income from the letting of church premises is recognised when the rental is due.

Income from investments

Dividends are accounted for when due and payable. Interest entitlements are accounted for as they accrue. Tax recoverable on such income is recognised in the same accounting year.

Gains and losses on investments

Realised gains or losses are recognised when investments are sold.

Unrealised gains or losses are accounted for on revaluation of investments at 31 December.

Grants

Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over, or when awarded.

Parochial Church Council of St Peters Brockley

Notes to the Financial Statements

For the year ended 31 December 2021

Expenditure

Church activities

The diocesan Common Fund is accounted for when paid. Any Common Fund unpaid at 31 December is provided for in these accounts as an operational (though not a legal) liability and is shown as a creditor in the Balance Sheet.

Expenditure incurred in the operation of the church is classed as charitable activities.

Fixed assets

Fixed assets used by the PCC

In the absence of an actual cost, the insurance valuation has been used as the deemed cost for operational assets, with no depreciation charge being made during the year due to the long life of the asset and regular maintenance.

Consecrated property and moveable church furnishings

Consecrated and beneficed property of any kind is excluded from the accounts by s.10 of the Charities Act 2011.

Moveable church furnishings held by the Vicar and Churchwardens on special trust for the PCC, and which require a faculty for disposal, are accounted as inalienable property unless consecrated. They are listed in the church's Inventory which can be inspected (at any reasonable time). For inalienable property acquired prior to 2003 there is insufficient cost information available and therefore such assets are not valued in the accounts. No such items have been acquired since 1 January 2003.

All expenditure incurred in the year on consecrated or beneficed buildings or on the repair of movable church furnishings acquired before 1 January 2003 is written off.

Other fixtures, fittings and office equipment

Only items of greater than £500 are capitalised. Church worship equipment comprises a number of electrical and other items connected with sound, vision and worship. They will be depreciated over three years from date of first use. Computer and office equipment and furnishings are depreciated over three years from date of first use.

Current assets

Amounts owing to the PCC at 31 December in respect of fees, rents or other income are shown as debtors less provision for amounts that may prove uncollectable.

Parochial Church Council of St Peters Brockley

Notes to the Financial Statements

For the year ended 31 December 2021

2. Financial Statement

	2021			2020		
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Donation						
Collections - GASDS	895	231	1,126	1,124	-	1,124
Gift Aid	51,267	2,270	53,537	35,854	2,299	38,153
Grants	3,000	15,625	18,625	500	83,350	83,850
One off gifts - Gift Aided	30,753	5,455	36,207	12,476	5,974	18,450
One off gifts - Not Gift Aided	17,131	3,372	20,503	4,321	3,394	7,715
Planned giving - Gift Aided	170,429	3,270	173,698	126,586	3,590	130,176
Planned giving - Not Gift Aided	51,100	310	51,410	57,283	379	57,662
Special Appeals	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Donation	324,575	30,533	355,108	238,146	98,987	337,132

Church Activities

Cafe	410	-	410	114	-	114
Dance Class Income	15,557	-	15,557	21,424	-	21,424
Events	503	-	503	-	-	-
Funeral Fees	626	-	626	84	-	84
Little Fishes	1,268	-	1,268	1,656	-	1,656
Wedding Fees	31	-	31	485	-	485
Total Church Activities	18,395	-	18,395	23,762	-	23,762

Rental

Church Rental-Ad hoc	6,815	-	6,815	625	-	625
Church Rental-Regular	-	-	-	750	-	750
Total Rental	6,815	-	6,815	1,375	-	1,375

Other Income

Bank interest	32	-	32	161	-	161
Sales of products	500	-	-	180	19	199
Total Other Income	532	-	532	341	19	360

Total Income	350,316	30,533	380,848	263,624	99,006	362,629
---------------------	----------------	---------------	----------------	----------------	---------------	----------------

Worship

Christmas	7,769	-	7,769	6,023	-	6,023
Depreciation on PA/AV Equipment	5,229	2,236	7,465	5,337	-	5,337
Easter	611	-	611	110	-	110
Festival services	-	-	-	99	-	99
Production and Livestreaming	4,073	310	4,382	7,458	-	7,458
Preaching and Teaching	362	-	362	321	-	321
Sundays Content	448	-	448	153	-	153
Sundays Evening	164	-	164	-	-	-
Sundays Morning	437	-	437	2,030	-	2,030
Wedding Cost	63	-	63	-	-	-
Worship	729	-	729	2,130	-	2,130
Worship Team	398	-	398	95	-	95
Total Worship	20,283	2,545	22,829	23,758	-	23,758

Parochial Church Council of St Peters Brockley

Notes to the Financial Statements

Community

Bumps and Babies	3,675	-	3,675	1,350	-	1,350
Dance Expenses	13,271	-	13,271	18,335	-	18,335
Dicipleship & Hubs	551	-	551	2,557	-	2,557
Events	2,671	-	2,671	45	-	45
Family Life	-	-	-	90	-	90
Fellowship Fund	-	1,660	1,660	-	2,047	2,047
Kids	1,914	-	1,914	2,064	-	2,064
Leadership Development	111	-	111	426	-	426
Little Fishes Exp	625	-	625	4,133	-	4,133
Men Ministry	34	-	34	-	-	-
Newcombers	689	-	689	1,007	-	1,007
Pastoral	944	-	944	497	-	497
Students	773	-	773	168	-	168
Womens Ministry	-	-	-	88	-	88
Villages	595	-	595	-	-	-
Youth	4,394	-	4,394	4,071	4,450	8,521
Total Community	30,180	1,660	31,840	34,830	6,497	41,326

Mission

Alpha	352	-	352	4,493	-	4,493
CAP	915	-	915	1,581	-	1,581
Church Planting	281	-	281	32	-	32
Grants and Giving Away	11,585	265	11,850	8,500	20,000	28,500
Love Brockley	207	10,081	10,288	-	9,806	9,806
Total Mission	13,339	10,346	23,685	14,606	29,806	44,413

Operations

Church Furniture	-	-	-	101	-	101
Church Refurbishment	4,055	-	4,055	96	-	96
Cleaning	10,181	-	10,181	4,534	4,000	8,534
Communication & Media	624	-	624	1,894	-	1,894
Debt unlikely to receive	-	-	-	433	-	-
Depreciation on IT	748	-	748	1,028	-	1,028
Depreciation on office equipment	1,457	-	1,457	1,752	-	1,752
Electric	3,640	-	3,640	2,011	1,000	3,011
Garden Maintinance	1,118	-	1,118	2,368	-	2,368
Gas	10,776	-	10,776	4,436	5,000	9,436
Hospitality	333	-	333	-	-	-
Insurance	6,457	-	6,457	6,430	-	6,430
IT	2,464	-	2,464	6,082	40	6,122
Office equipments	75	-	75	1,062	-	1,062
Office Management	729	-	729	597	-	597
Office Supplies	767	-	767	441	-	441
Recruitment	-	-	-	11	-	11
Repairs and Maintinance	15,760	-	15,760	9,897	-	9,897
Shared Consumables	1,163	-	1,163	1,700	-	1,700
Shared Equipment	630	-	630	53	-	53
Tools and Equipment	-	-	-	164	-	164
Travel	147	-	147	198	136	334
Volunteer Support	20	-	20	58	-	58
Water	91	-	91	498	-	498
Total Operations	61,235	-	61,235	45,844	10,176	56,020

Parochial Church Council of St Peters Brockley

Notes to the Financial Statements

Staff

Admin	20,733	-	20,733	9,401	-	9,401
Caretaker	7,670	-	7,670	6,800	-	6,800
Childrens Pastor	18,370	-	18,370	15,847	-	15,847
Community Engagement	15,190	-	15,190	8,772	-	8,772
Dance Co-ordinator	5,943	-	5,943	5,102	-	5,102
Love Brockley and Pastoral Leader	6,764	26,085	32,848	9,181	19,999	29,180
Operations Director	22,916	-	22,916	27,730	-	27,730
Operations Manager	17,514	-	17,514	-	-	-
Ordinand	-	-	-	500	-	500
Production Team Lead	3,321	-	3,321	-	-	-
Student Leader	10,950	-	10,950	6,681	-	6,681
Worship/ Production Associate	4,268	-	4,268	5,125	-	5,125
Worship Pastor	6,791	7,500	14,291	689	10,000	10,689
Youth Pastor	13,386	-	13,386	12,931	-	12,931
Total Staff	153,815	33,585	187,400	108,758	29,999	138,757

Human Resources

Accommodation	8,756	-	8,756	5,599	-	5,599
Clergy Expenses	192	-	192	840	-	840
Clergy Housing	1,103	-	1,103	518	-	518
Staff Hospitality	528	-	528	1,032	-	1,032
Staff Training	748	-	748	3,160	-	3,160
Staff Well Being	1,127	-	1,127	61	-	61
Team Training	3,122	260	3,382	2,018	-	2,018
Total Staff	15,577	260	15,837	13,229	-	13,229

Parish Share	31,075	-	31,075	28,333	-	28,333
Total Parish Share	31,075	-	31,075	28,333	-	28,333

Governance

Accounting	2,765	-	2,765	3,851	-	3,851
Independent Examinar	1,500	-	1,500	820	-	820
Payroll	443	-	443	360	-	360
PCC Expenses	79	-	79	-	-	-
Professional Fees	3,600	-	3,600	-	-	-
Total Governance	8,387	-	8,387	5,031	-	5,031

Total Operating Expenses	333,889	48,396	382,287	274,386	76,479	350,867
---------------------------------	----------------	---------------	----------------	----------------	---------------	----------------

Parochial Church Council of St Peters Brockley

Notes to the Financial Statements

3. STAFF COSTS

	2021 £	2020 £
Wages and salaries (incl PAYE)	153,934	135,170
Social security costs	6,433	1,440
Pension costs	4,117	2,147
Freelance Staff costs	22,916	-
	187,400	138,757

	2021	2020
Total amount of staff employed	11	8

No staff member was paid over £60,000 in 2021 or 2020

4. Mission Grants

Grant Recipient	Grant Amount	Purpose
Congregation in Need	2,160	Fellowship Fund
Growing Hope	3,000	
Wave Ministry	1,200	
Tea Deak	2,800	
Power the Fight	1,600	
St. Stephens School	600	
The Spring	550	
Vinjeru School	1,600	
Total	13,510	

5. FIXED ASSETS FOR USE BY THE PCC		Furniture £	Office Equipment £	PA/AV Equipment £	Total £
Actual/Revalued cost	At 1 January 2021	5,257	3,085	18,643	26,985
	Additions during year	0	0	9,742	9,742
	Disposals during year	0	0	0	0
	At 31 December 2021	5,257	3,085	28,385	36,728
Depreciation	At 1 January 2021	3,468	2,314	10,373	16,155
	Charge for the year	1,457	748	7,465	9,670
	Disposals during year				0
	At 31 December 2021	4,925	3,062	17,838	25,825
Net Book Value	At 1 January 2021	1,789	771	8,270	10,830
	At 31 December 2021	332	23	10,548	10,903

6. Debtors

	2021	2020
Prepayments and Accrued Income	2,307	9,691
Gift Aid	9,693	3,076
Accounts Receivable	1,585	100
Total	13,584	12,867

7. Creditors (amounts falling due less than one year)

	2021	2020
Accounts Payable	5,150	4,637
Accruals	2,517	1,500
Deposit for room hire	1,500	1,500
Deffered Income	4,990	0
Taxes & NI	6,349	650
Total Current Liabilities	20,506	8,287

Parochial Church Council of St Peters Brockley
Notes to the Financial Statements

8. Contingent Liabilities

There were no contingent liabilities at the end of 31st December 2021. (2020: None)

9. Related Party Transactions

Name	Relationship	2021	2020	Duties
Hanelle Jones	Wife of Incumbent	15,190	8,772	Community Engagement
Sophie Lawson Jones	Wife of Warden	0	13,775	Operations Director
Margret Plant	Wife of PCC Member	961	6,080	Supplier
Chris Henriette	Husband of PCC Member	11,140	13,303	Youth Pastor

During the year, £2,115 (2020: nil) in expenses were reimbursed to two trustees.

Christopher Harvey was paid £2,800 (2020: £1,400) with respect to grants which were then passed on to third party charities for the furtherance of the church activities overseas.

10. Restricted Funds

Donor	Purpose	Opening Balance £	Income £	Expenditure £	Closing Balance £
Diocese of Southwark	New Worshipping Community	0	7,500	(7,500)	0
Lottery Grant	Screen	9,997	0	(2,545)	7,452
All Churches Trust	Growing Hope Brockley	0	3,000	0	3,000
Various Donors	Foodbank	20,360	18,251	(36,432)	2,180
Various Donors	Fellowship Fund	3,672	1,040	(1,660)	3,052
Various Donors	Unconditional	0	741	(260)	481
Total Restricted funds		34,029	30,533	(48,396)	16,165

11. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BY FUND

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	TOTAL FUNDS
Cash & deposit balances	81,418	8,714	90,131
Fixed Assets	3,451	7,452	10,903
Other Assets	13,584	0	13,584
Total Assets	98,453	16,165	114,618
Current Liabilities	20,506	-	20,506
	77,948	16,165	94,110