

Emmanuel Church

Weston-super-Mare

Registered Charity No 1182674

ANNUAL REPORT

and

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

of the

Parochial Church Council

For the year ended 31 December 2022

Incumbent

The Rev Tom Webber

The Cedar

Montpelier

Weston-super-Mare

Bank

Nat West

High Street

Weston-super-Mare

Independent Examiner

Mrs H C Evans ACCA (Affiliate)



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

The

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

The PCC of Emmanuel Church Weston-super-Mare

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31 December 2022

**Charity no
(if any)**

1182674

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/12/2022

**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust'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 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 which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

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

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.

Signed:

Date:

6 March 2023

Name:

Helen C Evans

**Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):**

Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (Affiliate)

Address:

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Weston Village

Weston-super-Mare North Somerset BS24 7HT

BACKGROUND

Emmanuel Parish Church continues as part of a joint benefice with Christ Church remaining independent in terms of being self-governing and responsible for the management of its own affairs. During 2022 we have maintained our fellowship and co-operation with Christ Church. We continue with the online weekly news sheet "Connected" started during the pandemic which is delivered to those without technology. Connected covered news and information about both churches.

MEMBERSHIP

Members of the PCC are either ex-officio or elected by the APCM in accordance with the Church Representation Rules, the following served as PCC members during 2022.

Incumbent	Revd T Webber
Curate	Revd L Trust
Reader	Mrs M Hill – Lay Chair
Church Wardens	Mrs M Passey Mr K Bury
Representatives on Deanery Synod	Mrs D Hill Mrs D Pilgrim
Elected Members	Mrs C Evans Mrs D Parker Mrs M Palmer Ms P Hanson Ms S Judson Mrs D Pilgrim Miss J Morgan

CHURCH ATTENDANCE - There are 47 parishioners on the Electoral Roll.

STANDING COMMITTEE

This is the only committee required by law. It has power to transact the business of the PCC between meetings subject to any direction given by the council.

It was unanimously agreed that the Standing Committee should comprise:-

Revd T Webber	PCC Chair
Rev L Trust	Curate
Mrs M Hill	Reader and PCC Vice Chair
Mrs D Pilgrim	Reader - licensed 01.10.22
Mrs M Passey	Church Warden
Mr K Bury	Church Warden
Mrs C Evans	Treasurer
Mrs D Parker	Project Manager

REVIEW OF THE YEAR

The full PCC met 6 times during 2022. At the post APCM meeting officers to serve for the coming year were appointed as follows:

PCC Vice Chair	Mrs M Hill
PCC Treasurer	Mrs C Evans
PCC Secretary	Mrs D Hill
Project Manager	Mrs D Parker

PARISH LIFE

During the year church life began to be more normal as we were no longer required to wear masks during services, but we continued the practice of sharing the peace at a distance during communion services where wafers were dipped in wine rather than reverting to sharing a common cup. Coffee after services commenced towards the end of March. Several more vulnerable members of our congregation did not feel able to re-join us as Covid was still affecting the general population. Groups using our hall continued to do so, as did The Beacon, Winter Warmth and the Thursday Friendship Group, which continued to go from strength to strength. Unfortunately Elevate a service for young people did not restart. Attendance at the mid-week communion service had dropped and it was decided that beginning in October, it would only take place on the second Wednesday of each month.

Christ Church administrator Phil Scott continued to produce Connected until he retired and was succeeded by Emma Bale who has continued with this sterling work. Both congregations gave generously to a leaving gift for Phil. A church email is also still being used to help keep the congregation informed.

At the APCM Tony Cornford and Heather Watters, who had both been PCC members for three years stepped down when June Morgan joined and Donna Pilgrim became a Deanery Synod Representative. Keith Bury and Mary Passey agreed to continue as Church Wardens. We had lost a few members during the year so the electoral role had fallen from 51 to 47.

Our Church Wardens ably took care of various problems but due to the state of the west windows Larissa has kindly been seeking grants for the work likely to cost around £42,000 and currently has succeeded in obtaining £25,350.

Jubilee celebrations on the 5 June were very successful and took the form of a bring-and-share meal after the service. Larissa Trust was priested in June at Bath Abbey and we contributed to a home communion set for her. In September an outdoor Seaside Service, which gave thanks for people working in our tourism industry, was attended by two members of Costa Coffee, a donkey and her handler. This was led by Tom, with Meg preaching and Julie playing her guitar. Donna was licensed as a Reader in October at Wells Cathedral which was attended by many from both churches and a bring and share meal was held the next day after our service. Donna led an autumn Pastoral Principles Course.

A successful summer fete was held in July and Heritage Open Days took place in September for which Sheila provided the displays and Donna screened a film taken of the tower; the displays remained until after our 175 dedication service in October led by Bishop Ruth. Bishop Ruth's talk was very encouraging as had been the news earlier in the year that Emmanuel had been attended by a Mystery Worshipper who had enjoyed the experience and found the congregation friendly and welcoming. The congregation was encouraged to take part in the Living in Love and Faith, and Tom and Larissa presented two evening meetings exploring human sexuality. A church weekend at home at Christ Church was held in October, when Archdeacon Adrian Youings encouraged the congregation and challenged them to look at their witness between Sundays.

A successful Christmas Bazaar was held in November and was well attended and enjoyed by all those taking part. The congregation supported Samaritan's Purse online this year and donated towards the CAP Christmas hampers. In December we held Carols in the Square, the Town Centre lunchtime Carol Service and our Friday evening candle lit Carol Service was led by Larissa. The final service of the year was held on Sunday 25th December.

TREASURER'S REPORT

2022, although a more normal year was still affected financially in various ways by the preceding years of the pandemic and lockdowns. Our giving was very nearly the same as in 2021, up by just £77.22. Income on our hall lettings was up by £2,710 with thanks to Meg who organises them. We were able to hold our fete, bazaar and Saturday coffee mornings which raised just over £2,656. Meg, Tom and Chris held Open Gardens which raised £235.25.

There were no major gifts or legacies in 2022 however Betty Whiting's son Michael donated £100 in her memory. The gentleman that Donna helps gave small amounts throughout the year, and the rest were donations from members of the congregation.

The Children's Society box opening raised £255.78 and attracted 4 new box holders later in the year when I spoke about the Children's Society at an Emmanuel Evening Service. We contributed to Easter Eggs (£112) and Christmas Hampers (£100) for clients of Christians Against Poverty. Although members gave online to Samaritan's Purse we collected £145 towards the shipping costs. Tom encouraged me to claim a Cost of Living Grant from the Diocese, which I did for the Beacon and received £500. The Diocese of Bath and Wells received a National Church grant of £309,000 which parishes were encourage to apply for, I did apply but did not hear if we had been successful. The PCC agreed to donate £2,000 towards the Window Appeal.

Our giving to Missions and Charities which is shown on page 6 indicates that we were mindful of our financial situation and gave £300 to The Children's Society and £600 to the BLISS project as well as £50 towards a Youth Drop In Centre at St Peter's Church. We give Christians' Against Poverty £50 per month and gave an extra £300 towards their work. We also supported appeals for Afghanistan and Ukraine.

We have not had any major expenditure this year but have had the gutters cleared and unblocked hoppers and drains for £140; slates were repositioned for £90; steeplejack compliance testing for £54; white dividing lines and names on the car park together with the repair of the gas cupboard for £495; a circuit breaker repaired and a fuse in the boiler room was replaced for £40; portable appliance testing was £100.75; plumbing repairs cost £220 and a 5% deposit of £154.80 was paid for the proposed gate on the church double doors.

I continue to be grateful to Keith Bury and Mary Passey who count our church collections and that Keith then banks the money. The pandemic encouraged members of the congregation to give online which is helpful to all. We have paid for the servicing of our gas boilers and fire extinguishers, periodic inspection and testing of the fire alarm system and emergency lights, had our lightning conductor checked and had no outstanding bills at the end of the year.

The upkeep of Emmanuel will always be with us as will our outreach and we need to search our hearts and consider our giving to enable us to achieve a good outcome for both. If you would like advice on different types of giving please do contact me, and as people have found it is very simple to give online. Do remember that if you pay income tax, let me know, all you have to do is sign a form and I can reclaim the tax (25p in the £) for Emmanuel, which is so useful.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

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EMMANUEL CHURCH - WESTON-SUPER-MARE

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GENERAL FUND - RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

	2022	2021
PAYMENTS	£	£
Admin Expenses	1,225.00	648.00
Architect's/Surveyor's Fees	0.00	217.08
Church Service Expenses	113.51	46.32
Clergy, Readers, & Verger Expenses	1,056.48	1,169.80
Diocesan Parish Share	16,326.96	16,326.24
Fixtures & Fittings	0.00	81.31
Gas, Electricity and Water	5,037.50	4,223.45
Halls-Cleaning and Supplies	3,385.00	3,150.00
Insurances	1,977.28	1,911.62
Maintenance-Equipment	1,766.50	1,415.11
Missions and Charities	75.00	900.00
Organists & Organ Tuning/ Repairs	994.40	
Repairs	350.00	2,454.70
Sunday Link	222.70	206.72
Sundries	85.00	85.00
Gifts	120.00	
Unrestricted Payments	32,735.33	32,862.84
Less Prepayments	1,523.69	
	31,211.64	
Restricted Payments		
Missions & Charities - Restricted	3,827.78	1,384.67
Winter Warmth - Restricted	109.69	65.62
Restricted Payments	3,937.47	1,450.29
Total Payments	£35,149.11	34,313.13
Total Receipts	54,196.56	43,250.94
Receipts over Payments	£19,047.45	8,937.81
Bank Current & Deposit A/cs at 1 Jan	31,979.34	23,041.53
Bank Current & Deposit A/cs at 31 Dec	£51,026.79	31,979.34
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GENERAL FUND RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

MISSIONS & CHARITIES	2022	2021
	£	£
The Beacon	540.00	0.00
Children's Society	555.78	264.67
Christians Against Poverty	1112.00	715.00
Churches Together WSM	50.00	0.00
Disaster Emergency Committee	215.00	0.00
Interserve BLISS	600.00	600.00
Life Bookshop	0.00	300.00
Locking Deanery Mission	75.00	75.00
Operation Christmas Child	145.00	0.00
St Peter's Youth Drop In	50.00	0.00
Sea Cadets	0.00	85.00
Ukraine Appeal	560.00	0.00
Harvest Shipment	0.00	245.00
	<u>£3,902.78</u>	<u>£2,284.67</u>

MONETARY ASSETS

	GENERAL FUND £	RESTRICTED FUND £	TOTAL 2022 £
B/fwd 1/1/22	30,749.59	1,229.75	31,979.34
Receipts 2022	51,678.78	2,517.78	54,196.56
Payments 2022	-31,211.64	-3,937.47	-35,149.11
T/fer funds			
C/fwd 31/12/22	51,216.73	-189.94	51,026.79
Represented by:-			
NWB Current Account	49,027.52	-189.94	48,837.58
NWB Tower Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00
CBF Deposit Account	2,189.21	0.00	2,189.21
Total Monetary Assets	<u>51,216.73</u>	<u>-189.94</u>	<u>51,026.79</u>

Approved by the PCC on 13 March 2023 and signed on its behalf by



Revd T Webber - Chairman



Mrs C Evans - Treasurer