

## **Community of Christ – Clay Cross**

### **Report and Financial Statements**

Year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2021

Charity No: 247928

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## **Community of Christ – Clay Cross**

### **Legal and Administrative Information**

#### **Charity Trustees**

The following served as trustees for the whole of the financial year ending on 31<sup>st</sup> December 2021 and were trustees at the time of the signing of the annual report:

Barrie Fox (Financial Officer)

Cheryl Fox (Pastor)

Andrew Fellows (Leadership Team member)

Helen Fellows (Leadership Team member)

Kim Morris (Leadership Team member)

#### **Address**

Community of Christ, Thanet Street, Clay Cross, Chesterfield, S45 9JS

#### **Independent Examiner**

Paul Riley

#### **Bankers**

Lloyds Bank

## **Community of Christ – Clay Cross**

### **Report of the Clay Cross Trustees for the Year Ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2021**

The Trustees present their report together with the Receipts and Payments Account for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2021

#### **Structure, Governance and Management**

The charity, Community of Christ - Clay Cross (charity number 247928), was registered with the Charity Commission on 5<sup>th</sup> December 1966. The governing document is the Clay Cross Constitution dated 24<sup>th</sup> February 2010 which incorporates the World Church bylaws ("the Bylaws"). The trustees are the Pastor who is elected by the congregation, the Financial Officer who is appointed by the British Isles Mission Centre Financial Officer and the members of the Pastor Leadership Team appointed by the Pastor and sustained by the congregation.

#### **Constitution and Objects**

The objects of the congregation are the advancement of the Christian religion for the benefit of the public in accordance with the doctrine and statements of belief of the Community of Christ.

The Community of Christ is a Christian church whose purpose and mission is to proclaim Jesus Christ and promote communities of joy, hope, love, and peace. The Mission Initiatives of the church are to:

Invite People to Christ,  
Pursue Peace on Earth,  
Abolish Poverty, End Suffering,  
Develop Disciples to Serve and  
Experience Congregations in Mission.

#### **Achievements and Performance**

The congregation met in church most weeks for worship or Messy Church. The option to join online for these times of worship was offered most weeks to allow for participation by those restricted from attending in-person due to COVID-19 or distance from the church. As a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, the church building was closed for some of the other regular activities for most of the year, but weekly youth groups and toddler groups and monthly games nights were held in the second half of the year.

A weekend retreat for members and friends of the congregation was held at Dunfield House, Community of Christ's British Isles Retreat Centre in September

The congregation runs a food bank and employs a part-time food bank resilience officer and a part-time food bank administrative assistant. The food bank has stayed open throughout the year although changes to how it is run have had to be put in place due to coronavirus restrictions.

'Sharing in Community of Christ' 4<sup>th</sup> edition, produced by World Church, provides information about the identity, mission, message and beliefs of the Church. This has been used as foundational information for mission alignment, worship, teaching and preaching ministries.

The congregation also provides pastoral ministry to members and friends of the congregation.

The congregation has considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and, in particular, the specific guidance on charities for the advancement of religion. The congregation has sought to fulfil its responsibility to advance religion for the public benefit by:

- striving to be a community faithful to the risen Christ that courageously pursues matters of peace and justice;

- providing worship, pastoral care and spiritual, moral and intellectual development, both for its members and for anyone who wishes to benefit from what the Church has to offer.

### **Financial Structure**

The congregation is funded by contributions from individuals, events, hire of the building and fundraising. Groups who used to hire the building did not meet for most of the year and so the primary source of income has been donations from individuals. Donations from individuals and organisations have been used to cover costs related to the food bank including the salaries. The ministers of the congregation all serve on a voluntary basis.

### **Financial Results**

The Operating Fund deficit amounted to £1,839.

The Food Bank Fund surplus amounted to £18,455.

### **Key Risks**

A large proportion of the income to the operating fund has come from the hire of the building in previous years. Almost all groups who hired the building have stopped doing so since the start of the COVID-19 pandemic and there is a risk that some of the hiring groups may decide not to start meeting again once the current crisis is over. Currently, most of the fall in income is being offset by a drop in expenditure due to a reduced use of the building. There is a risk to the ongoing function of the food bank if donations from organisations cannot be secured but some of the current donations are guaranteed for several years and there has been a significant increase in donations since the start of the pandemic.

### **Serious Incidents**

No serious incidents have been brought by the trustees to the attention of the Charity Commission over the previous financial year. The trustees have considered the list of serious incidents that should be reported to the Charity Commission and declare that there are no serious incidents or other matters relating to the charity over the previous financial year that they should have brought to the Commission's attention but have not.

### **Future Activities**

Since the start of 2021, almost all church activities have started again in the church building, with some also being made available online. We are hopeful that this will continue to be the situation moving forward. A congregation retreat at Dunfield House has been planned for 2022. The food bank continues to be very successful. The ministry and aid it is providing continues to expand and sources for financial support to make such growth viable have been identified.

### **Reserves**

In the opinion of the trustees, the Operating fund reserves of £43,925 and Food Bank fund reserves of £61,964 are adequate but not excessive.

### **Volunteers**

Community of Christ is primarily a volunteer organisation, with almost all priesthood and leadership roles being filled by self-sustaining personnel. The church could not function without such dedicated service. The congregation is blessed by the availability of dedicated persons who give of their time and skills to facilitate the achievement of the mission of the church and the functions of the congregation. To all who serve in this way we offer our grateful thanks.

Approved by the Community of Christ (Clay Cross) Trustees on 16<sup>th</sup> October, 2022 and signed on their behalf by:

Cheryl Fox (Pastor)

## **Community of Christ - British Isles Mission Centre Independent Examiner's Report**

To the members of the Community of Christ - Clay Cross congregation.

I report on the accounts of Community of Christ Clay Cross Congregation for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2021. In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention which gives reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements to keep accounting records in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 and to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act 2011 have not been met. In my opinion there is nothing to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts.

Signed                Paul Riley

Date                 17/10/22

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**Community of Christ (Clay Cross)**  
**RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT**  
**YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2021**

**OPERATING FUND**

	<b>2021</b>		<b>2020</b>	
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>RECEIPTS</b>				
<b>OFFERINGS</b>				
Offerings	5,546.68		4,983.62	
Youth Groups	211.95		317.75	
Toddler Group	89.98		50.00	
Gift Aid Tax Refunds	711.98		917.49	
Dunfield Weekend	69.70		386.78	
Donations	<u>276.00</u>		<u>40.00</u>	
		6,906.29		6,695.64
<b>OTHER RECEIPTS</b>				
Hire of Building	2,645.00		4,921.60	
Electricity refund	203.63		75.16	
Special Efforts	50.00		0.00	
Sundry Income	<u>0.00</u>		<u>14.40</u>	
		2,898.63		5,011.16
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>		<u><u>9,804.92</u></u>		<u><u>11,706.80</u></u>

**PAYMENTS**

<b>PROGRAMME/MISSIONARY</b>				
Youth	44.08		106.38	
Messy Church	157.15		187.81	
Worship Resources	19.06		25.50	
CCL Licence	183.10		187.78	
Dunfield Weekend	641.98		0.00	
Guest Ministry	0.00		0.00	
Gift to World Church	1,000.00		1,000.00	
Publicity and Outreach	0.00		0.00	
Rise Magazine	40.00		40.00	
Camp Subsidy Fund	0.00		76.00	
Mission Centre Ministries	1,100.00		1,100.00	
Zoom Payments	172.68		115.12	
Toddler Group	50.00			
Dunfield House	1,000.00			
Congregation Support Minister	<u>350.00</u>		<u>350.00</u>	
		4,758.05		3,188.59

## Community of Christ (Clay Cross)

PROPERTY			
Cleaner/Cleaning Materials	2,466.50	1,618.89	
Water	150.48	240.74	
Electricity	329.82	786.00	
Gas	1,428.17	2,167.96	
Insurance	1,068.24	1,032.63	
Repairs and Maintenance	1,215.90	537.82	
Equipment	<u>0.00</u>	<u>109.80</u>	
	6,659.11		6,493.84
MISCELLANEOUS			
Leadership Development	0.00	0.00	
Offering Envelopes	20.00	20.00	
Stationery/Postage	0.00	60.00	
Gifts/Donations	70.00	7.68	
Sundry	<u>136.50</u>	<u>0.00</u>	
	226.50		87.68
TOTAL PAYMENTS	<u>11,643.66</u>	<u>9,770.11</u>	
NET RECEIPTS/(PAYMENTS)	(1,838.74)		1,936.69
Transfer to Foodbank Fund	0.00		0.00
Net after transfers	(1,838.74)		1,936.69
Balance brought forward 1 January	<u>45,764.03</u>		<u>43,827.34</u>
Balance carried forward 31 December	<u><u>43,925.29</u></u>		<u><u>45,764.03</u></u>

## Community of Christ (Clay Cross)

### FOODBANK FUND

	2021		2020	
	£	£	£	£
<b>RECEIPTS</b>				
Asda Grant	4,939.60		4,796.00	
Donations - Organisations	19,430.21		28,689.08	
Donations - Individuals	12,835.65		11,376.56	
Tesco	1,683.72		2,530.72	
Fundraising Events	95.00		0.00	
Affordable Foodbox Scheme	4,196.60		4,752.67	
TOTAL RECEIPTS		<u>43,180.78</u>		<u>52,145.03</u>
<b>PAYMENTS</b>				
Food & Toiletries	2,672.86		9,404.69	
FareShare Payment	3,567.00		0.00	
Salary & NIC	13,772.11		11,846.51	
Mileage Expenses	143.10		524.24	
Marketing & Fundraising	84.00		0.00	
Stationery	0.00		43.02	
Hub	2,912.60		6,117.83	
Phone and Internet	377.90		261.34	
Trussell Trust	0.00		360.00	
Bank Fees	96.00		60.00	
Eat Well Spend Less	0.00		0.00	
Sundry and poverty Fund	1,099.79		179.99	
TOTAL PAYMENTS		<u>24,725.36</u>		<u>28,797.62</u>
NET RECEIPTS/(PAYMENTS)		18,455.42		23,347.41
Transfer from Operating Fund		0.00		0.00
Net after transfers		18,455.42		23,347.41
Balance brought forward 1 January		43,508.64		20,161.23
Balance carried forward 31 December		<u>61,964.06</u>		<u>43,508.64</u>

## Community of Christ (Clay Cross)

### OTHER CHARITIES FUND

	2021		2020	
Donations Received For:	£	£	£	£
World Church				
Worldwide Other	0.00		0.00	
Use Where Needed Most	5,995.00		6,636.64	
Abolish Poverty, End Suffering	744.70		672.25	
British Isles Mission Centre				
Mission Centre Ministries	702.50		567.25	
Congregation Support Minister	67.50		67.50	
Children's Holiday Camps	0.00		0.00	
Peacemobile UK	0.00		0.00	
The Dunfield Charity	1,794.80		1,168.75	
Outreach International	209.50		318.50	
		9,514.00		9,430.89
Less Amounts Paid ToThe Above Charities		9,514.00		9,430.89
		0.00		0.00
Balance brought forward 1st January		0.00		0.00
Balance carried forward 31st December		0.00		0.00

## Community of Christ (Clay Cross)

### SUMMARY OF FUNDS

	2021	2020
	£	£
Operating Fund	43,925.29	45,764.03
Foodbank Fund	61,964.06	43,508.64
Other Charities Fund	0.00	0.00
	<u>105,889.35</u>	<u>89,272.67</u>

Note: £941 of the Operating Fund balance is restricted to maintenance or replacement of the organ

### STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AT 31st DECEMBER 2021

	2021	2020
	£	£
<b>Cash Funds</b>		
Cash balances	0.00	0.00
Bank current account- Operating Fund	43,925.29	45,764.03
Bank current account- Foodbank Fund	61,964.06	43,508.64
	<u>105,889.35</u>	<u>89,272.67</u>

#### Other monetary assets

None

#### Church building and contents

The church building and contents were insured for:

	2021	2020
	£	£
Building	679,604	599,564
Contents	62,326	57,792

The land and buildings are held in trust for the Presiding Bishopric as trustees for the World Church. In accordance with church policies any decisions by the congregation in respect of the purchase or sale of properties must be approved by appropriate Mission Centre and World Church leaders with final approval being given by the Presiding Bishopric.

#### Liabilities

None