

Albany Congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland

Northern Ireland · Charity number 105672

Details

Status Received

Registered 2016-08-12

Register [View on the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland register](#)

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Activities

Purposes: THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND, as a Reformed Church within the wider body of Christ is grounded in the Scriptures, and exists to love and honour God through faith in His Son and by the power of His Spirit, and to enable her members to play their part in fulfilling God's mission to our world

What the charity does: The advancement of religion

How the charity works: Religious activities

Who the charity helps: General public

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£25,157	£28,063	£0	0

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Alan Dickey		
Johnston Bell		
Mr Robert Kee Bsc (Hons)		

Albany Congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland

Northern Ireland - Charity number 105672

Accounts

**ALBANY CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN
IRELAND**

**Financial Statements
for the year ended 31 December 2024**

Registered Charity in Northern Ireland (NIC105672)

ALBANY CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITY (Receipts and Payments Account)
for the year ended 31 December 2024

	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
		£	£	£	£	£
Receipts						
Donations and legacies	2	13519	4424	111	18054	17782
Charitable activities	3	-	-	-	-	4651
Other trading activities	4	-	6612	-	6612	6853
Investment Income	5	-	-	-	-	-
Other	6	141	350	-	491	139
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Total Receipts		13660	11386	111	25157	29425
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Payments						
Raising funds	7	210	-	-	210	230
Charitable activities	8	13040	14813	-	27853	20511
Other	9	-	-	-	-	41696
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Total Payments		13250	14813	-	28063	62437
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Net receipts / (payments)		410	(3427)	111	(2906)	(33012)
Transfers between funds		1076	1657	(2733)	-	-
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Net movement in funds		1486	(1770)	(2622)	(2906)	(33012)
Funds brought forward		32477	35626	21548	89651	122663
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Funds carried forward	12	33963	33856	18926	86745	89651
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ALBANY CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND


STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

As at 31 December 2024

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total Funds 2024	Total Funds 2023
	£	£	£	£	£
Funds Reconciliation					
Bank and Cash at start of year	32477	35626	-	68103	101115
Net movement in funds	1486	(1770)	-	(284)	(33012)
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Bank and Cash at end of year	33963	33856	-	67819	68103
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Bank & Cash Balances					
Bank Deposit Accounts	-	-	-	-	-
Bank Current Accounts	33963	33856	-	67819	68103
Cash in Hand	-	-	-	-	-
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				67819	68103
				=====	=====
Other Assets					
Fixed Assets – Note 10					
- Church Premises					
- Fixtures, Fittings & Equipment					
- Vehicles					
Investments – Note 11	-	-	18926	18926	21548
Gift Aid receivable on donations				-----	-----
				18926	21548
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Approved by the Kirk Session at a meeting on 14/10/25 and signed on its behalf by

[Name] 
[Date] 14/10/25

[Name] 
[Date] 14/10/2025

ALBANY CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
31 December 2024

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

BASIS OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

As the total income of the congregation is less than £250,000 the congregation have elected in accordance with the provisions in The Charities (Accounts and Reports Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015 to prepare its accounts on a receipts and payments basis.

FUND ACCOUNTING

Endowment funds are funds, the capital of which must be retained either permanently or at the congregation's discretion; the income derived from the endowment is to be used either as restricted or unrestricted income funds depending upon the purpose for which the endowment was established in the first place.

Restricted funds comprise (a) income from endowments which is to be expended only on the restricted purposes intended by the donor and (b) revenue donations or grants for a specific congregational activity intended by the donor. Where these funds have unspent balances, interest on their pooled investment is apportioned to the individual funds on an average balance basis.

Unrestricted funds are income funds which are to be spent on the congregation's general purposes. Designated funds are general funds set aside by the congregation for use in the future.

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
	£	£	£	£	£
Recorded giving:					
Loose collections and FWO	9748	2768	-	12516	13916
Donations and gifts	1362	1000	-	2362	1085
Gift Aid	2409	656	-	3065	2704
Legacies and bequest	-	-	111	111	77
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	13519	4424	111	18054	17782
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**ALBANY CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS**

31 December 2024

3. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
	£	£	£	£	£
Income from charitable activities	-	-	-	-	-
Fees from Grave Plots	-	-	-	-	-
Fundraising events	-	-	-	-	4051
Membership fees	-	-	-	-	-
Grants	-	-	-	-	600
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	-	-	-	-	4651
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4. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
	£	£	£	£	£
Manse Rent	-	6612	-	6612	6853
Trading income	-	-	-	-	-
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	-	6612	-	6612	6853
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5. INVESTMENT INCOME

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
	£	£	£	£	£
Deposit interest	-	-	-	-	-
General Investment Fund	-	-	-	-	-
Rents investment properties	-	-	-	-	-
Other investment income	-	-	-	-	-
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ALBANY CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (cont'd)

31 December 2024

6. OTHER INCOME

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
	£	£	£	£	£
Insurance claims	-	-	-	-	-
Other income	141	350	-	491	139
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	141	350	-	491	139
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7. RAISING FUNDS

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
	£	£	£	£	£
FWO envelopes	210	-	-	210	230
Fundraising events	-	-	-	-	-
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	210	-	-	210	230
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8. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
	£	£	£	£	£
General Assembly Assessments	2961	-	-	2961	2855
Presbytery fees	111	-	-	111	90
Ministry and support staff costs	6671	-	-	6671	6179
Congregational running expenses	3191	13186	-	16377	9622
Donations to Missions and charities	106	1627	-	1733	1765
Governance costs	-	-	-	-	-
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	13040	14813	-	27853	20511
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ALBANY CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (cont'd)

31 December 2024

9. OTHER EXPENDITURE

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
	£	£	£	£	£
Property Renovations	-	-	-	-	41696
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	-	-	-	-	41696
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10. FIXED ASSETS

The congregation owns the Church premises situated at Albany Road Co Tyrone and the associated fixtures, fittings, plant and machinery. In addition the congregation owns a Manse which is currently rented on normal commercial terms.

11. INVESTMENTS

The congregation has the following investments. Amounts are shown at market valuation. £11091 to be held in No. 1 Account for Re-Investment.

	2024	2023
	£	£
General Investment Fund and Education Board (Tyrone Presbytery)	7835	10457
Investment Funds in No.1 Acc held for Re-Investment	11091	11091
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	18926	21548
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ALBANY CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (cont'd)

31 December 2024

12. FUND BALANCES

Fund	Balance at start	Receipts	Payment	Surplus / (Deficit)	Transfer	Balance at end
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted Funds						
No. 1 Account	32477	13660	13250	410	1076	33963
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	32477	13660	13250	410	1076	33963
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Restricted Funds						
Property Repair (No 2 Acc)	207	3611	7712	(4101)	30	(3864)
Hall Fundraising Acc	-	1000	-	1000	-	1000
Young People's Ministries (No 3 Acc)	2613	163	210	(47)	-	2566
Manse Account (No 4 Acc)	32806	6612	5264	1348	-	34154
Missions/Charities (No 1 Acc)	-	-	1627	(1627)	1627	-
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	35626	11386	14813	(3427)	1657	33856
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Endowment Funds						
Bequests	21548	111	-	111	(2733)	18926
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	21548	111	-	111	(2733)	18926
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Total	89651	25157	28063	(2906)	-	86745
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Albany Congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland

Northern Ireland - Charity number 105672

Accounts

**GORTNESSY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND**

**Financial Statements
For the year ended 31 December 2025**

Registered Charity in Northern Ireland (NIC 105673)

GORTNESSY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITY (Receipts and Payments Account)
for the year ended 31 December 2025

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Receipts					
Donations and legacies	2	21,706	4,272	25,978	26,662
Charitable activities	3	0	275	275	275
Other trading activities	4	200	0	200	200
Investment Income	5	5,905	4,869	10,774	11,333
Other	6	586	3428	4,014	559
Total Receipts		28,397	12,844	41,241	39,029
Payments					
Raising funds	7	332	0	332	348
Charitable activities	8	24,709	10,802	35,511	38,885
Total Payments		25,041	10,802	35,843	39,233
Net receipts / (payments)		3,356	2,042	5,398	-204
Transfers between funds		0	0	0	0
Net movement in funds		3,356	2,042	5,398	-204
Funds brought forward		27,420	14,802	42,222	42,426
Funds carried forward	12	<u>30,776</u>	<u>16,844</u>	<u>47,620</u>	<u>42,222</u>

GORTNESSY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND
STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
As at 31 December 2025

	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2025	Total Funds 2024
		£	£	£	£
Funds Reconciliation					
Bank and Cash at start of year		27,421	14,801	42,222	42,426
Net movement in funds		3,356	2,042	5,398	-204
Bank and Cash at end of year	12	30,777	16,843	47,620	42,222
Bank & Cash Balances					
Bank Current Accounts				47,403	42,016
Cash in Hand				217	206
				47,620	42,222
Financial Investments	11			498,352	460,167
Total Funds per Statistical Return		Subtotal		545,972	502,389
Other Assets					
Fixed Assets	10			1,704,208	1,704,208
Property	11			275,000	275,000
Gift Aid receivable on donations				4,500	4,000
				2,529,680	2,485,597
Liabilities					
Accruals and Sundry Creditors				-810	-750
Total Assets				<u>2,528,870</u>	<u>2,484,847</u>

Approved by the Kirk Session on 11/03/2026 and signed on its behalf by

Ross Hyndman
Clerk Of Session

11/03/2026

Richard Manning
Treasurer

11/03/2026

GORTNESSY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND
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for the year ended 31 December 2025

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GORTNESSY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (continued)
for the year ended 31 December 2025

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2025	Total 2024
	£	£	£	£
Recorded giving	17,015	3,171	20,186	20,574
Loose collections	39	0	39	85
Donations and gifts	345	675	1,020	1,599
Gift Aid	4,307	426	4,733	4,404
	<u>21,706</u>	<u>4,272</u>	<u>25,978</u>	<u>26,662</u>
3. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2025	Total 2024
	£	£	£	£
Income from charitable activities	0	0	0	0
Fees from weddings and funerals	0	0	0	0
Fundraising events	0	0	0	0
Membership fees	0	275	275	275
Grants	0	0	0	0
	<u>0</u>	<u>275</u>	<u>275</u>	<u>275</u>
4. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2025	Total 2024
	£	£	£	£
Letting of premises	200	0	200	200
Trading income	0	0	0	0
	<u>200</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>200</u>	<u>200</u>
5. INVESTMENT INCOME	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2025	Total 2024
	£	£	£	£
Deposit interest	108	0	108	132
General Investment Fund	141	0	141	131
Rents from property	5,656	4,869	10,525	11,070
	<u>5,905</u>	<u>4,869</u>	<u>10,774</u>	<u>11,333</u>
6. OTHER INCOME	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2025	Total 2024
	£	£	£	£
Other income inc Insurance Proceeds	586	3428	4,014	559
	<u>586</u>	<u>3428</u>	<u>4014</u>	<u>559</u>
7. RAISING FUNDS	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2025	Total 2024
	£	£	£	£
FWO envelopes	332	0	332	348
Fundraising events	0	0	0	0
	<u>332</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>332</u>	<u>348</u>
8. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2025	Total 2024
	£	£	£	£
General Assembly Assessments (inc Stipend)	748	0	748	1190
Presbytery fees	259	0	259	245
Ministry and support staff costs	5,591	0	5,591	6424
Congregational running expenses	14,508	10,802	25,310	27336
Donations to Missions and charities	3,603	0	3,603	3690
	<u>24709</u>	<u>10802</u>	<u>35511</u>	<u>38885</u>
9. OTHER EXPENDITURE	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2025	Total 2024
	£	£	£	£
	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

10. FIXED ASSETS

The congregation owns the Church Premises, Hall, Session House, Sexton House and Monument situated at 84 Kilnappy Road, Drumahoe, and the associated fixtures, fittings, plant and machinery. These have an insurance value of £1,704,208 at 31/10/25.

11. INVESTMENTS

The congregation has the following investments. Amounts are shown at market valuation.

	Total 2025	Total 2024
	£	£
Combined Investments (Davy)	<u>493,303</u>	<u>454,891</u>
General Investment Fund - Minister	per PCI 1,376	1,438
General Investment Fund - Sunday School	per PCI <u>3,673</u>	<u>3,838</u>
	<u>5,049</u>	<u>5,276</u>
Total Financial Investments	<u>498,352</u>	<u>460,167</u>
Farmland - 28.5 acres	Per Valuation 30/01/2025 <u>275,000</u>	<u>275,000</u>

GORTNESSY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND
 NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (continued)
 for the year ended 31 December 2025

12. FUND BALANCES

Fund	Balance at start £	Receipts £	Payment £	Surplus / (Deficit) £	Transfer £	Balance at end £
Unrestricted Funds						
General Fund	27,421	28,397	-25,041	3,356	0	30,777
Restricted Funds						
B & R Funds	14,595	12,569	-10,538	2,031	0	16,626
Bowling Club	206	275	-264	11		217
Total Restricted	14,801	12,844	-10,802	2,042	0	16,843
Endowment Funds	0	0	0	0		0
Total	42,222	41,241	-35,843	5,398	0	47,620

Albany Congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland

Northern Ireland - Charity number 105672

Annual report

**GORTNESSY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH CONGREGATION OF THE
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND**

Trustees Annual Report

For the year ended 31 December 2025

Registered Charity in Northern Ireland (NIC105673)

GORTNESSY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

The Trustees present their Annual Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2025 including a Statement of Assets and Liabilities as at that date.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Gortnessy Congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland
84 Kilnappy Road,
Drumahoe
Londonderry
BT47 3LQ
Registered Charity in Northern Ireland (NIC105673)

CHARITY TRUSTEES

The Charity Trustees who served during the year or who were trustees at the date of this report were
Miss Margaret McCay
Mr John Smyth
Mr Sydney Cooke
Mr Ross Hyndman
Mr Richard Manning
Mr Trevor Millar

PRINCIPAL OFFICE BEARERS

Minister - Vacant (Convenor Rev Seth Wright)
Clerk of Session - Mr Ross Hyndman
Treasurer - Mr Richard Manning

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

David Douglas FCA, 1 Caw Hill Park, Londonderry, BT47 6LU

BANKERS

Danske Bank, Altnagelvin

SOLICITORS

R G Connell and Sons, 13 Main Street, Limavady, BT49 0EP

GORTNESSY CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT (cont'd)

STRUCTURE AND MANAGEMENT

The Kirk Session

The charity trustees of the congregation are the members of its Kirk Session. Under the congregation's governing document, The Code, the book of the constitution and government of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland, the Kirk Session seeks to watch over and promote the spiritual interest of the congregation and of persons not connected with any congregation who are within its bounds. It ensures pastoral care is in place in the congregation and seeks to further the contribution of the Church to Christian witness and service in the local community. The Kirk Sessions has delegated to its Congregational Committee the temporal affairs of the congregation including administering all funds and property belonging to the congregation. Members of the Kirk Session are ex-officio members of the Congregational Committee.

The Kirk Session consists of the ordained minister and the ruling elders of the congregations. All members are entitled to propose, speak and exercise equal votes at meetings, except that the Moderator, the ministers in active duty in the congregation, has no deliberative but only a casting vote. Stated meetings of the Kirk session are held at least twice in each year or as appropriate.

To be chosen for the office of the eldership in the congregation a person must be a voting member and a regular attendant on its ordinances. The selection of those proposed to be called to the office can be either by the congregation or by the Kirk Session. Members are elected if they obtain two-thirds of those who vote. The Church is currently in the process of Linkage with another church as overseen by Presbytery.

Presbytery

Under the Presbyterian Church in Ireland form of governance the corporate oversight of a congregation is the responsibility of a Presbytery which superintends generally the spiritual and temporal affairs of the congregations assigned to it by the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland. Gortnessy congregation of the Presbyterian Church has been assigned to the Derry and Donegal Presbytery of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland. The membership of the Presbytery consists mainly of the active ministers of congregations assigned to it by the General Assembly, ministers who have retired from active duty and an elder appointed by the Kirk Session of the congregation.

The General Assembly

The General Assembly is the supreme court of the Church, representing in one body the whole Church and acting as its supreme legislative, administration and judicial authority, in dealing with all matters brought before it. The General Assembly is normally constituted during the first week in June for worship and to conduct its business. At the end of business it is dissolved. The membership of the General Assembly consists mainly of the active ministers of each congregation, retired ministers and a representative elder appointed by the Kirk Session of each congregation.

GORTNESSY CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT (cont'd)

DESCRIPTION AND PURPOSE

The charitable purpose of the congregation is the advancement of religion.

Gortnessy congregation of the Presbyterian Church is a congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland. The Presbyterian Church in Ireland, as a Reformed Church within the wider body of Christ is grounded in the Scriptures, and exists to love and honour God through faith in His Son and by the power of His Spirit, and to enable her members to play their part in fulfilling God's mission to our world.

The congregations mission purposes is, *by the grace of God, to help people of all ages become fully devoted followers of Jesus Christ. Our vision is, by the grace of God, to be an inclusive, welcoming community of Christ's people of all ages, which:*

- *is increasingly characterised by love for God, and love and concern for others;*
- *is committed to the historic Christian gospel as revealed in the Bible;*
- *is relevant to people of this time and place.*

The congregation aims to live out its Mission and Vision as a family of God's people by being:

- *A Covenant Community: where our relationships are rooted in the promises of God by living faithfully toward him and toward one another*
- *An Intergenerational Community: where adults intentionally take the lead to engage with, encourage and nurture younger members to maturity in Christ.*
- *An Outward looking Community: where we want the blessings of God that belong to us in the gospel to become blessings for others beyond the bounds of our community.*
- *As a congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland, we believe that the Bible is the supreme authority over all we do, and that the Westminster Confession of Faith, along with the Larger and Shorter Catechisms set out what we understand the Bible teaches on key matters of Christian faith and practice.*

ACTIVITIES AND OBJECTIVES

The congregation meets for worship every Sunday and visitors are welcome to join. The Sacrament of the Lords Supper is observed on several occasions during the year and all those who have been baptised and who have made a profession of faith in the Lord Jesus Christ are admitted to the Lord's Supper. The congregation holds a wide range of organisations including

- Sunday School
- Bowling Club
- Fun Bowls
- Woman's Group
- Some youths join with other local Churches who provide other services such as Girls Brigade and Boys Brigade.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Worship and prayer

The congregation normally meets for worship each Sunday at 10.30am and at other times for special occasions and services.

As well as our regular services during the year we would acknowledge God's gift of new life and there was 1 Sacraments of Baptism and no marriage services during this year. The kirk Session gave thanks for faithful services and sought to comfort those who had been bereaved during the year.

At 31 December 2025 there were 150 communicant members and 55 of families connected with the congregations. The average week attendance at morning worship is approx 30 -35.

Pastoral care

Members of the congregation who are unable to attend church due to sickness or age are visited on a regular basis by the minister or elders. During the year regular telephone calls and visits were made to the congregation by Elders.

Mission and outreach

At a local level the congregation services are open to all members of the community and members visit other local congregations to support and encourage them in their work. During the year the congregation made a number of donations to the following external missions and agencies,

- World development
- Moderators Appeal
- Belfast City Mission
- Shoe box appeal
- Tear fund
- Royal British Legion
- Mission Aviation Fellowship

GORTNESSY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT (cont'd)

The congregation supports the United Appeal for Mission which is a central fund of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland. This fund enables congregations to support the wider mission of the denomination and to do mission and outreach on a denominational basis beyond what the congregation could do on its own. The United Appeal Fund provides financial support for mission personnel at home and overseas, assists congregations with the deployment of locally based staff, enables church planting, provides grant support for the upkeep of church premises, assist with the running costs of Union Theological College, the Church's training college for ministry students, and financially supports congregation in the areas of worship, discipleship, global mission, outreach, leadership and pastoral care.

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Presbytery

The congregation was represented at the regular meetings of Presbytery by our minister/convenor and or one of the elders. This provides an important link between the congregations and the wider structures of the church.

General Assembly

The Minister/Convenor and one of our elders were nominated to attend the meeting of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland held in Assembly Buildings, Belfast, in June.

Property

No major repairs or refurbishments during this year.

Organisations

Bowling Club

The Bowling Club meets on Monday nights from mid-September to mid-May. Two teams participate in the Waterside Churches league and at the end of the season, they have Internal Club Competitions for perpetual trophies.

Fun Bowls

Fun Bowls meet on a Tuesday night from mid-September to the end of June. The time is spent with conversations, fellowship, tea and non-competitive bowls.

The Womans' Group

The Womans' Group meet on the third Wednesday of the month from October to May. They invite speakers on health, home industries and other topics. They also spend a night wrapping shoe boxes for the Shoe Box Appeal.

Sunday School

Sunday School meet at 11.00am every Sunday (excluding summer) to instruct and explain the truths and meaning of the Scriptures and Catechisms. There are 5 children in the Junior Class.

The Trustees wish to acknowledge their deep appreciation of those who give freely of their time by serving on committees and helping with organisations and other church activities.

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT (cont'd)

PUBLIC BENEFIT STATEMENT

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The Kirk Session has had regard to the Charity Commissions Public benefit requirement statutory guidance.

**GORTNESSY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND
TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT (cont'd)**

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The congregation's main source of income is members' contributions through the Weekly Freewill Offering. There were 61 contributors during the year 63 in previous year, 2024. They donated a total of £14,877.00 (£15,202.80 2024)

Total Income of the congregation (including the Bowls Club) during the year was £41,241.22, compared to £39,028.74 in the previous year.

Total expenditure (including the Bowls Club) decreased from £39,232.45 to £35,843.15.

Copy of Financial Report Attached.

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEE RESPONSIBILITIES

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the annual report and the financial statements of the congregation in accordance with applicable law and generally accepted accounting practice.

As the congregations total income does not exceed £250,000, the Trustees have elected under Section 64(3) of the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008 to prepare a receipts and payment account and a statement of assets and liabilities.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the congregation's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time its financial position. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the congregation and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by the Kirk Session at a meeting on Monday the 11th March 2026 and signed on its behalf by

Mr Ross Hyndman

11th March 2026

Clerk of Session

Mr Richard Manning

11th March 2026

Treasurer

Albany Congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland

Northern Ireland - Charity number 105672

Annual return

Independent examiners report to the charity trustees of Gortnessy Presbyterian Church

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2025

Respective responsibilities of charity trustees and examiner

As the charity trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008.

It is my responsibility to:

Examine the accounts under section 65 of the Charities Act

Follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act

State whether particular matters have come to my attention

Basis of independent examiner's report

I have examined your charity accounts as required under section 65 of the Charities Act and my examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act. The examination included a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as charity trustees concerning any such matters.

My role is to state whether any material matters have come to my attention giving me cause to believe:

1. That accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 63 of the Charities Act
2. That the accounts do not accord with those accounting records
3. That the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act
4. That there is further information needed for a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Independent Examiners Statement

The charity's gross income did not exceed £250,000.

I have completed my examination and have no concerns in respect of the matters (1) to (4) listed above and, in connection with following the Directions of the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland, I have found no matters that require drawing to your attention.

Signed: *David Douglas*

Name: David Joseph James Douglas FCA (Chartered Accountant)

Address: 1 Caw Hill Park, Londonderry BT47 6LU

Date: **11th March 2026**

Albany Congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland

Northern Ireland - Charity number 105672

Accounts

**ALBANY CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN
IRELAND**

**Financial Statements
for the year ended 31 December 2023**

Registered Charity in Northern Ireland (NIC105672)

ALBANY CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITY (Receipts and Payments Account)
for the year ended 31 December 2023

	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
		£	£	£	£	£
Receipts						
Donations and legacies	2	13875	3830	77	17782	16660
Charitable activities	3	600	4051	-	4651	-
Other trading activities	4	-	6853	-	6853	7338
Investment Income	5	-	-	-	-	-
Other	6	139	-	-	139	156
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Total Receipts		14614	14734	77	29425	24154
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Payments						
Raising funds	7	230	-	-	230	202
Charitable activities	8	12984	7527	-	20511	19361
Other	9	-	41696	-	41696	-
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Total Payments		13214	49223	-	62437	19563
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Net receipts / (payments)		1400	(34489)	77	(33012)	4591
Transfers between funds		(1705)	1782	(77)	-	-
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Net movement in funds		(305)	(32707)	-	(33012)	4591
Funds brought forward		32782	68333	21548	122663	118072
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Funds carried forward	12	32477	35626	21548	89651	122663
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ALBANY CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

As at 31 December 2023

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total Funds 2023	Total Funds 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
Funds Reconciliation					
Bank and Cash at start of year	32782	68333	-	101115	96524
Net movement in funds	(305)	(32707)	-	(33012)	4591
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Bank and Cash at end of year	32477	35626	-	68103	101115
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Bank & Cash Balances					
Bank Deposit Accounts	-	-	-	-	-
Bank Current Accounts	32477	35626	-	68103	101115
Cash in Hand	-	-	-	-	-
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				68103	101115
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Other Assets					
Fixed Assets – Note 10					
- Church Premises					
- Fixtures, Fittings & Equipment					
- Vehicles					
Investments – Note 11	-	-	21548	21548	21548
Gift Aid receivable on donations					
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				21548	21548
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Approved by the Kirk Session at a meeting on 19/9/24 and signed on its behalf by

[Name] *W.A. [Signature]*
[Date] *19/9/24*

[Name] *R.J.H. Davison*
[Date] *19.9.24.*

**ALBANY CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
31 December 2023**

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

BASIS OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

As the total income of the congregation is less than £250,000 the congregation have elected in accordance with the provisions in The Charities (Accounts and Reports Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015 to prepare its accounts on a receipts and payments basis.

FUND ACCOUNTING

Endowment funds are funds, the capital of which must be retained either permanently or at the congregation's discretion; the income derived from the endowment is to be used either as restricted or unrestricted income funds depending upon the purpose for which the endowment was established in the first place.

Restricted funds comprise (a) income from endowments which is to be expended only on the restricted purposes intended by the donor and (b) revenue donations or grants for a specific congregational activity intended by the donor. Where these funds have unspent balances, interest on their pooled investment is apportioned to the individual funds on an average balance basis.

Unrestricted funds are income funds which are to be spent on the congregation's general purposes. Designated funds are general funds set aside by the congregation for use in the future.

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
Recorded giving:					
Loose collections and FWO	10514	3402	-	13916	12410
Donations and gifts	1085	-	-	1085	1768
Gift Aid	2276	428	-	2704	2407
Legacies and bequest	-	-	77	77	75
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	13875	3830	77	17782	16660
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ALBANY CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
31 December 2023

3. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
Income from charitable activities	-	-	-	-	-
Fees from Grave Plots	-	-	-	-	-
Fundraising events	-	4051	-	4051	-
Membership fees	-	-	-	-	-
Grants	600	-	-	600	-
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	600	4051	-	4651	-
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4. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
Manse Rent	-	6853	-	6853	7338
Trading income	-	-	-	-	-
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	-	6853	-	6853	7338
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5. INVESTMENT INCOME

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
Deposit interest	-	-	-	-	-
General Investment Fund	-	-	-	-	-
Rents investment properties	-	-	-	-	-
Other investment income	-	-	-	-	-
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	-	-	-	-	-
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ALBANY CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (cont'd)

31 December 2023

6. OTHER INCOME

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
Insurance claims	-	-	-	-	-
Other income	139	-	-	139	156
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	139	-	-	139	156
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7. RAISING FUNDS

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
FWO envelopes	230	-	-	230	202
Fundraising events	-	-	-	-	-
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	230	-	-	230	202
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8. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
General Assembly Assessments	2855	-	-	2855	2648
Presbytery fees	90	-	-	90	88
Ministry and support staff costs	6179	-	-	6179	5670
Congregational running expenses	3860	5762	-	9622	8369
Donations to Missions and charities	-	1765	-	1765	2586
Governance costs	-	-	-	-	-
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	12984	7527	-	20511	19361
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ALBANY CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (cont'd)

31 December 2023

9. OTHER EXPENDITURE

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
Property Renovations	-	41696	-	41696	-
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	-	41696	-	41696	-
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10. FIXED ASSETS

The congregation owns the Church premises situated at Albany Road Co Tyrone and the associated fixtures, fittings, plant and machinery. In addition the congregation owns a Manse which is currently rented on normal commercial terms.

11. INVESTMENTS

The congregation has the following investments. Amounts are shown at market valuation. £11091 to be held in No. 1 Account for Re-Investment.

	2023	2022
	£	£
General Investment Fund and Education Board (Tyrone Presbytery)	10457	10457
Investment Funds in No.1 Acc held for Re-Investment	11091	11091
Other investments - PMS	-	-
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	21548	21548
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ALBANY CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (cont'd)

31 December 2023

12. FUND BALANCES

Fund	Balance at start	Receipts	Payment	Surplus / (Deficit)	Transfer	Balance at end
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted Funds						
No. 1 Account	32782	14614	13214	1400	(1705)	32477
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	32782	14614	13214	1400	(1705)	32477
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Restricted Funds						
Property Repair (No 2 Acc)	23866	3686	43586	(39900)	16241	207
Hall Fundraising Acc	12173	4051	-	4051	(16224)	-
Young People's Ministries (No 3 Acc)	2592	144	123	21	-	2613
Manse Account (No 4 Acc)	29702	6853	3749	3104	-	32806
Missions/Charities (No 1 Acc)	-	-	1765	(1765)	1765	-
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	68333	14734	49223	(34489)	1782	35626
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Endowment Funds						
Bequests	21548	77	-	77	(77)	21548
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	21548	77	-	77	(77)	21548
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Total	122663	29425	62437	(33012)	-	89651
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Albany Congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland

Northern Ireland - Charity number 105672

Annual report

**ALBANY CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN
IRELAND**

**Trustees Annual Report
for the year ended 31 December 2023**

Registered Charity in Northern Ireland (NIC105672)

**ALBANY CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND
TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT**

The Trustees present their Annual Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2023 including a Statement of Assets and Liabilities as at that date.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Albany Congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland
12-14 Albany Road
Killycolpy
Dungannon
Co. Tyrone
BT71 5HE

Registered Charity in Northern Ireland (NIC105672)

CHARITY TRUSTEES

The Charity Trustees who served during the year or who were trustees at the date of this report were

Jim Davison	Ella McMenemy
	Rev Alan Dickey

PRINCIPAL OFFICE BEARERS

Minister	Rev Alan Dickey
Clerk of Session	
Treasurer	Lynn Maneely

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

McKinney Dawson (Accountants)
28 Union Street
Cookstown
Co. Tyrone
BT80 8NN

BANKERS

Ulster Bank Ltd
20 William Street
Cookstown
Co. Tyrone
BT80 8ND

SOLICITORS

Millar Shearer and Black,
40 Molesworth Street
Cookstown
Co. Tyrone
BT80 8PH

ALBANY CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT (cont'd)

STRUCTURE AND MANAGEMENT

The Kirk Session

The charity trustees of the congregation are the members of its Kirk Session. Under the congregation's governing document, The Code, the book of the constitution and government of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland, the Kirk Session seeks to watch over and promote the spiritual interest of the congregation and of persons not connected with any congregation who are within its bounds. It ensures pastoral care is in place in the congregation and seeks to further the contribution of the Church to Christian witness and service in the local community. The Kirk Session has delegated to its Congregational Committee the temporal affairs of the congregation including administering all funds and property belonging to the congregation. Members of the Kirk Session are ex-officio members of the Congregational Committee.

The Kirk Session consists of the ordained minister and the ruling elders of the congregation. All members are entitled to propose, speak and exercise equal votes at meetings, except that the Moderator, the ministers in active duty in the congregation, has no deliberative but only a casting vote.

Stated meetings of the Kirk session are held at least twice in each year or as appropriate.

To be chosen for the office of the eldership in the congregation a person must be a voting member and a regular attendant on its ordinances. The selection of those proposed to be called to the office can be either by the congregation or by the Kirk Session. Members are elected if they obtain two-thirds of those who vote.

Presbytery

Under the Presbyterian Church in Ireland form of governance the corporate oversight of a congregation is the responsibility of a Presbytery which superintends generally the spiritual and temporal affairs of the congregations assigned to it by the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland. Albany congregation of the Presbyterian Church has been assigned to the Tyrone Presbytery of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland. The membership of the Presbytery consists mainly of the active ministers of congregations assigned to it by the General Assembly, ministers who have retired from active duty and an elder appointed by the Kirk Session of the congregation.

ALBANY CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT (cont'd)

The General Assembly

The General Assembly is the supreme court of the Church, representing in one body the whole Church and acting as its supreme legislative, administrative and judicial authority, in dealing with all matters brought before it. The General Assembly is normally constituted during the first week in June for worship and to conduct its business. At the end of business it is dissolved. The membership of the General Assembly consists mainly of the active ministers of each congregation, retired ministers and a representative elder appointed by the Kirk Session of each congregation.

DESCRIPTION AND PURPOSE

The charitable purpose of the congregation is the advancement of religion.

Albany congregation of the Presbyterian Church is a congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland. The Presbyterian Church in Ireland, as a Reformed Church within the wider body of Christ is grounded in the Scriptures, and exists to love and honour God through faith in His Son and by the power of His Spirit, and to enable her members to play their part in fulfilling God's mission to our world.

The congregation's mission purpose is, by the grace of God, to help people of all ages become fully devoted followers of Jesus Christ. Our vision is to be an inclusive, welcoming community of Christ's people of all ages, by God's grace, which:

- is increasingly characterised by love for God, and love and concern for others;
- is committed to the historic Christian gospel as revealed in the Bible;
- is relevant to people of this time and place.

The congregation aims to live out its Mission and Vision as a family of God's people by being:

- A Covenant Community: where our relationships are rooted in the promises of God by living faithfully toward him and toward one another
- An Intergenerational Community: where adults intentionally take the lead to engage with, encourage and nurture younger members to maturity in Christ.
- An Outward looking Community: where we want the blessings of God that belong to us in the gospel to become blessings for others beyond the bounds of our community.

As a congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland, we believe that the Bible is the supreme authority over all we do, and that the Westminster Confession of Faith, along with the Larger and Shorter Catechisms set out what we understand the Bible teaches on key matters of Christian faith and practice.

ALBANY CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT (cont'd)

ACTIVITIES AND OBJECTIVES

The congregation meets for worship every Sunday and visitors are welcome to attend. The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper is observed twice during the year and all those who have been baptised and who have made a profession of faith in the Lord Jesus Christ are admitted to the Lord's Supper. The congregation holds regular bible study meetings and has a wide range of organisations including:

- Sunday School
- Bible Class
- Youth Fellowship
- Youth Club
- Presbyterian Women

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Worship and prayer

The congregation normally meets for worship each Sunday at 10.00 am. During the week the Mid-Week provides an opportunity for members to meet together for fellowship, to study the Scriptures and for a time of prayer.

During our regular services this year we acknowledged God's gift of new life at one Sacrament of Baptism. We gave thanks for the faithful service of one member and sought to comfort those who had been bereaved.

At 31 December 2023 there were 51 communicant members and 30 families connected with the congregation. The average weekly attendance at morning worship was 20.

Pastoral care

Members of the congregation who are unable to attend church due to sickness or age are visited on a regular basis by the minister, elders or by one of the congregation's pastoral visitors.

Mission and outreach

At a local level the congregation helped with the Holiday Bible Club and Coffee Bar in 1st Stewartstown Presbyterian Church to reach out into the village and surrounding area. Members of the congregation volunteer and help with Parents and Tots, and Youth Fellowship in 1st Stewartstown.

ALBANY CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT (cont'd)

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The congregation was represented at the regular meetings of Presbytery by our minister and one of the elders. This provides an important link between the congregations and the wider structures of the church.

General Assembly

The minister and one of our elders were nominated to attend the meeting of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland held in Assembly Buildings, Belfast, in June.

Property

Ongoing maintenance and upkeep of the buildings took place throughout the year.

Organisations

On Sunday mornings the Sunday School and Bible Class (av. attendance 10) meet with the Brigh Sunday School and Bible class in the Brigh halls.

Volunteers

The Trustees wish to acknowledge their deep appreciation of those who give freely of their time by serving on committees and helping with organisations and other church activities.

**ALBANY CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND
TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT (cont'd)**

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**ALBANY CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND
TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT (cont'd)**

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The congregation's main source of income is members' contributions through the Weekly Freewill Offering. There were 29 contributors during the year [29 in previous year, 2022] donating a total of £10,514 (£9,801 in previous year, 2022).

Total Income of the congregation during the year was £29,425, compared to £24,154 in the previous year.

Total expenditure increased from £19,563 to £62,437. There is a significant increase in expenditure, this is due to repairs and renovations done to the Hall.

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEE RESPONSIBILITIES

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Approved by the Kirk Session at a meeting on 19/9/2024 and signed on its behalf by

[Name] *R. J. H. Davison*

[Name] *E. S. McMenamy*

[Date] *19.9.24.*

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Albany Congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland

Northern Ireland - Charity number 105672

Annual return

**ALBANY CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN
IRELAND**

**Independent Examiner's Report
for the year ended 31 December 2023**

Registered Charity in Northern Ireland (NIC105672)

INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF ALBANY CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND

I report on the accounts of Albany Presbyterian Church for the year ended 31 December 2023, which are set out on pages 12 to 18.

Respective responsibilities of charity trustees and examiner

As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008.

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts under section 65 of the Charities Act.
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- State whether particular matters have come to my attention

Basis of Independent Examiner's Report

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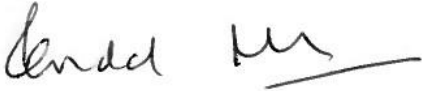
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Randal McKinney, McKinney Dawson Accountants, 28 Union Street, Cookstown, BT80 8NN

Date: 29/7/24

Albany Congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland

Northern Ireland - Charity number 105672

Accounts

**ALBANY CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN
IRELAND**

**Financial Statements
for the year ended 31 December 2022**

Registered Charity in Northern Ireland (NIC105672)

**ALBANY CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITY (Receipts and Payments Account)
for the year ended 31 December 2022**

	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
		£	£	£	£	£
Receipts						
Donations and legacies	2	13606	2979	75	16660	14826
Charitable activities	3	-	-	-	-	4109
Other trading activities	4	-	7338	-	7338	6162
Investment Income	5	-	-	-	-	-
Other	6	156	-	-	156	4364
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Total Receipts		13762	10317	75	24154	29461
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Payments						
Raising funds	7	202	-	-	202	586
Charitable activities	8	12759	6602	-	19361	20019
Other	9	-	-	-	-	-
		-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Total Payments		12961	6602	-	19563	20605
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Net receipts / (payments)		801	3715	75	4591	8856
Transfers between funds		(2137)	2212	(75)	-	-
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Net movement in funds		(1336)	5927	-	4591	8856
Funds brought forward		34118	62406	21548	118072	109216
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Funds carried forward	12	32782	68333	21548	122663	118072
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ALBANY CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

As at 31 December 2022

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total Funds 2022	Total Funds 2021
	£	£	£	£	£
Funds Reconciliation					
Bank and Cash at start of year	34118	62406	-	96524	87668
Net movement in funds	(1336)	5927	-	4591	8856
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Bank and Cash at end of year	32782	68333	-	101115	96524
	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
Bank & Cash Balances					
Bank Deposit Accounts	-	-	-	-	-
Bank Current Accounts	32782	68333	-	101115	96524
Cash in Hand	-	-	-	-	-
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				101115	96524
				=====	=====
Other Assets					
Fixed Assets – Note 10					
- Church Premises					
- Fixtures, Fittings & Equipment					
- Vehicles					
Investments – Note 11	-	-	21548	21548	21548
Gift Aid receivable on donations				-----	-----
				21548	21548
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Approved by the Kirk Session at a meeting on 2/10/2023 and signed on its behalf by

[Name] *B. J. H. Davison*

[Name] *G. B. M. Menzies*

[Date] *2.10.23.*

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ALBANY CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
31 December 2022

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

BASIS OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

As the total income of the congregation is less than £250,000 the congregation have elected in accordance with the provisions in The Charities (Accounts and Reports Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015 to prepare its accounts on a receipts and payments basis.

FUND ACCOUNTING

Endowment funds are funds, the capital of which must be retained either permanently or at the congregation's discretion; the income derived from the endowment is to be used either as restricted or unrestricted income funds depending upon the purpose for which the endowment was established in the first place.

Restricted funds comprise (a) income from endowments which is to be expended only on the restricted purposes intended by the donor and (b) revenue donations or grants for a specific congregational activity intended by the donor. Where these funds have unspent balances, interest on their pooled investment is apportioned to the individual funds on an average balance basis.

Unrestricted funds are income funds which are to be spent on the congregation's general purposes. Designated funds are general funds set aside by the congregation for use in the future.

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
	£	£	£	£	£
Recorded giving:					
Loose collections and FWO	9801	2609	-	12410	11731
Donations and gifts	1668	100	-	1768	985
Gift Aid	2137	270	-	2407	2015
Legacies and bequest	-	-	75	75	95
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	13606	2979	75	16660	14826
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ALBANY CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
31 December 2022

3. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
	£	£	£	£	£
Income from charitable activities	-	-	-	-	-
Fees from Grave Plots	-	-	-	-	-
Fundraising events	-	-	-	-	4109
Membership fees	-	-	-	-	-
Grants	-	-	-	-	-
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	-	-	-	-	4109
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4. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
	£	£	£	£	£
Manse Rent	-	7338	-	7338	6162
Trading income	-	-	-	-	-
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	-	7338	-	7338	6162
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5. INVESTMENT INCOME

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
	£	£	£	£	£
Deposit interest	-	-	-	-	-
General Investment Fund	-	-	-	-	-
Rents investment properties	-	-	-	-	-
Other investment income	-	-	-	-	-
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	-	-	-	-	-
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ALBANY CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (cont'd)

31 December 2022

6. OTHER INCOME

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
	£	£	£	£	£
Insurance claims	-	-	-	-	4364
Other income	156	-	-	156	-
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	156	-	-	156	4364
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7. RAISING FUNDS

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
	£	£	£	£	£
FWO envelopes	202	-	-	202	182
Fundraising events	-	-	-	-	404
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	202	-	-	202	586
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8. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
	£	£	£	£	£
General Assembly Assessments	2648	-	-	2648	2773
Presbytery fees	88	-	-	88	-
Ministry and support staff costs	5670	-	-	5670	5327
Congregational running expenses	3964	4405	-	8369	10308
Donations to Missions and charities	389	2197	-	2586	1611
Governance costs	-	-	-	-	-
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	12759	6602	-	19361	20019
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ALBANY CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (cont'd)

31 December 2022

9. OTHER EXPENDITURE

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
	£	£	£	£	£
Property Renovations	-	-	-	-	-
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	-	-	-	-	-
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10. FIXED ASSETS

The congregation owns the Church premises situated at Albany Road Co Tyrone and the associated fixtures, fittings, plant and machinery. In addition the congregation owns a Manse which is currently rented on normal commercial terms.

11. INVESTMENTS

The congregation has the following investments. Amounts are shown at market valuation. £11091 to be held in No. 1 Account for Re-Investment.

	2022	2021
	£	£
General Investment Fund and Education Board (Tyrone Presbytery)	10457	10457
Investment Funds in No.1 Acc held for Re-Investment	11091	11091
Other investments - PMS	-	-
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	21548	21548
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ALBANY CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (cont'd)

31 December 2022

12. FUND BALANCES

Fund	Balance at start	Receipts	Payment	Surplus / (Deficit)	Transfer	Balance at end
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted Funds						
No. 1 Account	34118	13762	12961	801	(2137)	32782
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	34118	13762	12961	801	(2137)	32782
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Restricted Funds						
Property Repair (No 2 Acc)	22236	2789	1174	1615	15	23866
Hall Fundraising Acc	12173	-	-	-	-	12173
Young People's Ministries (No 3 Acc)	2574	190	172	18	-	2592
Manse Account (No 4 Acc)	25423	7338	3059	4279	-	29702
Missions/Charities (No 1 Acc)	-	-	2197	(2197)	2197	-
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	62406	10317	6602	3715	2212	68333
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Endowment Funds						
Bequests	21548	75	-	75	(75)	21548
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	21548	75	-	75	(75)	21548
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Total	118072	24154	19563	4591	-	122663
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Albany Congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland

Northern Ireland - Charity number 105672

Annual report

**ALBANY CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN
IRELAND**

**Trustees Annual Report
for the year ended 31 December 2022**

Registered Charity in Northern Ireland (NIC105672)

**ALBANY CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND
TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT**

The Trustees present their Annual Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 including a Statement of Assets and Liabilities as at that date.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Albany Congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland
12-14 Albany Road
Killycolpy
Dungannon
Co. Tyrone
BT71 5HE

Registered Charity in Northern Ireland (NIC105672)

CHARITY TRUSTEES

The Charity Trustees who served during the year or who were trustees at the date of this report were

Jim Davison

Ella McMenemy
Rev Alan Dickey

PRINCIPAL OFFICE BEARERS

Minister
Clerk of Session
Treasurer

Rev Alan Dickey

Lynn Maneely

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

McKinney Dawson (Accountants)
28 Union Street
Cookstown
Co. Tyrone
BT80 8NN

BANKERS

Ulster Bank Ltd
20 William Street
Cookstown
Co. Tyrone
BT80 8ND

SOLICITORS

Millar Shearer and Black,
40 Molesworth Street
Cookstown
Co. Tyrone
BT80 8PH

ALBANY CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT (cont'd)

STRUCTURE AND MANAGEMENT

The Kirk Session

The charity trustees of the congregation are the members of its Kirk Session. Under the congregation's governing document, The Code, the book of the constitution and government of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland, the Kirk Session seeks to watch over and promote the spiritual interest of the congregation and of persons not connected with any congregation who are within its bounds. It ensures pastoral care is in place in the congregation and seeks to further the contribution of the Church to Christian witness and service in the local community. The Kirk Session has delegated to its Congregational Committee the temporal affairs of the congregation including administering all funds and property belonging to the congregation. Members of the Kirk Session are ex-officio members of the Congregational Committee.

The Kirk Session consists of the ordained minister and the ruling elders of the congregation. All members are entitled to propose, speak and exercise equal votes at meetings, except that the Moderator, the ministers in active duty in the congregation, has no deliberative but only a casting vote.

Stated meetings of the Kirk session are held at least twice in each year or as appropriate.

To be chosen for the office of the eldership in the congregation a person must be a voting member and a regular attendant on its ordinances. The selection of those proposed to be called to the office can be either by the congregation or by the Kirk Session. Members are elected if they obtain two-thirds of those who vote.

Presbytery

Under the Presbyterian Church in Ireland form of governance the corporate oversight of a congregation is the responsibility of a Presbytery which superintends generally the spiritual and temporal affairs of the congregations assigned to it by the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland. Albany congregation of the Presbyterian Church has been assigned to the Tyrone Presbytery of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland. The membership of the Presbytery consists mainly of the active ministers of congregations assigned to it by the General Assembly, ministers who have retired from active duty and an elder appointed by the Kirk Session of the congregation.

ALBANY CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT (cont'd)

The General Assembly

The General Assembly is the supreme court of the Church, representing in one body the whole Church and acting as its supreme legislative, administrative and judicial authority, in dealing with all matters brought before it. The General Assembly is normally constituted during the first week in June for worship and to conduct its business. At the end of business it is dissolved. The membership of the General Assembly consists mainly of the active ministers of each congregation, retired ministers and a representative elder appointed by the Kirk Session of each congregation.

DESCRIPTION AND PURPOSE

The charitable purpose of the congregation is the advancement of religion.

Albany congregation of the Presbyterian Church is a congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland. The Presbyterian Church in Ireland, as a Reformed Church within the wider body of Christ is grounded in the Scriptures, and exists to love and honour God through faith in His Son and by the power of His Spirit, and to enable her members to play their part in fulfilling God's mission to our world.

The congregation's mission purpose is, by the grace of God, to help people of all ages become fully devoted followers of Jesus Christ. Our vision is to be an inclusive, welcoming community of Christ's people of all ages, by God's grace, which:

- is increasingly characterised by love for God, and love and concern for others;
- is committed to the historic Christian gospel as revealed in the Bible;
- is relevant to people of this time and place.

The congregation aims to live out its Mission and Vision as a family of God's people by being:

- A Covenant Community: where our relationships are rooted in the promises of God by living faithfully toward him and toward one another
- An Intergenerational Community: where adults intentionally take the lead to engage with, encourage and nurture younger members to maturity in Christ.
- An Outward looking Community: where we want the blessings of God that belong to us in the gospel to become blessings for others beyond the bounds of our community.

As a congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland, we believe that the Bible is the supreme authority over all we do, and that the Westminster Confession of Faith, along with the Larger and Shorter Catechisms set out what we understand the Bible teaches on key matters of Christian faith and practice.

ALBANY CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT (cont'd)

ACTIVITIES AND OBJECTIVES

The congregation meets for worship every Sunday and visitors are welcome to attend. The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper is observed twice during the year and all those who have been baptised and who have made a profession of faith in the Lord Jesus Christ are admitted to the Lord's Supper. The congregation holds regular bible study meetings and has a wide range of organisations including:

- Sunday School
- Bible Class
- Youth Fellowship
- Youth Club
- Presbyterian Women

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Worship and prayer

The congregation normally meets for worship each Sunday at 9.45 am. During the week the Mid-Week provides an opportunity for members to meet together for fellowship, to study the Scriptures and for a time of prayer.

During our regular services this year we acknowledged God's gift of new life at one Sacrament of Baptism. We gave thanks for the faithful service of one member and sought to comfort those who had been bereaved.

At 31 December 2022 there were 53 communicant members and 29 families connected with the congregation. The average weekly attendance at morning worship was 20.

Pastoral care

Members of the congregation who are unable to attend church due to sickness or age are visited on a regular basis by the minister, elders or by one of the congregation's pastoral visitors.

Mission and outreach

At a local level the congregation helped with the Holiday Bible Club and Coffee Bar in 1st Stewartstown Presbyterian Church to reach out into the village and surrounding area. Members of the congregation volunteer and help with Parents and Tots, and Youth Fellowship in 1st Stewartstown, and with Youth Club in Brigh.

ALBANY CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT (cont'd)

The congregation supports the United Appeal for Mission which is a central fund of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland. This fund supports the wider mission of the denomination aiding in mission and outreach work on a denominational basis beyond what the congregation could do on its own. The United Appeal Fund provides financial support for mission personnel at home and overseas, assists congregations with the deployment of locally based staff, enables church planting, provides grant support for the upkeep of church premises, assists with the running costs of Union Theological College, the Church's training college for ministry students, and financially supports congregations in the areas of worship, discipleship, global mission, outreach, leadership and pastoral care.

The congregation also contributes to the denomination's annual World Development Appeal, Sunday School project and any other special appeals.

Presbytery

The congregation was represented at the regular meetings of Presbytery by our minister and one of the elders. This provides an important link between the congregations and the wider structures of the church.

General Assembly

The minister and one of our elders were nominated to attend the meeting of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland held in Assembly Buildings, Belfast, in June.

Property

Ongoing maintenance and upkeep of the buildings took place throughout the year.

Organisations

On Sunday mornings the Sunday School and Bible Class (av. attendance 10) meet with the Brigh Sunday School and Bible class in the Brigh halls.

Volunteers

The Trustees wish to acknowledge their deep appreciation of those who give freely of their time by serving on committees and helping with organisations and other church activities.

**ALBANY CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND
TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT (cont'd)**

PUBLIC BENEFIT STATEMENT

The Presbyterian Church in Ireland meets the public benefit requirement by providing benefit to its members and the general public by making known the Christian Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ through the advancement of religion.

The direct benefits which flow from the purposes of the Church include the gaining of an understanding in Christian beliefs as set out in the Bible and in the Church's subordinate standards (the Westminster Confession of Faith and the Shorter and Larger Catechisms) leading to spiritual and moral development and opportunities for response to Bible teaching. In turn, this framework leads to practical expressions of Christian beliefs and standards in the local community such as through the care of those in need (including the sick, disabled and bereaved).

Generally the above benefits are delivered locally by congregations and their members, or are facilitated through presbyteries or are organised and delivered centrally. Local delivery is facilitated by central resources in almost all cases. Public access is made known through the use of noticeboards, printed material, press advertisement, websites, and social media or in other ways.

The benefits are demonstrated through regular evaluation of the services and informal and ad-hoc feedback from members, their families, and members of the public.

The purpose does not lead to harm. The only private benefit flowing from our purpose is related to Ministers, Missionaries, Deaconesses, Irish Mission workers and Lay Agents who receive benefits as a result of their holding office or employment. However, this is incidental and necessary in order to further our charitable purpose. There are no other private benefits. The beneficiaries of this purpose are members, their families, other individuals that the Presbyterian Church in Ireland is in direct and indirect contact with, the community in which pastoral services are provided and other communities throughout Northern Ireland, the Republic of Ireland, and worldwide which benefit from our engagement with and support for both Christian and other secular organisations, charities and individual members of the public.

The Kirk Session has had regard to the Charity Commissions Public benefit requirement statutory guidance.

**ALBANY CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND
TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT (cont'd)**

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The congregation's main source of income is members' contributions through the Weekly Freewill Offering. There were 29 contributors during the year [32 in previous year, 2021] donating a total of £9,801 (£9,931 in previous year, 2021).

Total Income of the congregation during the year was £24,154, compared to £29,461 in the previous year.

Total expenditure decreased from £20,605 to £19,563. There is no significant change.

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEE RESPONSIBILITIES

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the annual report and the financial statements of the congregation in accordance with applicable law and generally accepted accounting practice.

As the congregation's total income does not exceed £250,000, the Trustees have elected under Section 64(3) of the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 208 to prepare a receipts and payment account and a statement of assets and liabilities.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the congregation's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time its financial position. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the congregation and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

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[Date] *2.10.23.*

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Randal McKinney, McKinney Dawson Accountants, 28 Union Street, Cookstown, BT80 8NN

Date: