

*Ottery St Mary
United Reformed Church*

Annual Reports

2019

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Charity Number 1165093

Member of the Evangelical Alliance

SECRETARY'S REPORT

"Now we ask you, brothers and sisters, to acknowledge those who work hard among you, who care for you in the Lord and who admonish you. Hold them in the highest regard in love because of their work. Live in peace with each other. And we urge you, brothers and sisters, warn those who are idle and disruptive, encourage the disheartened, help the weak, be patient with everyone". 1 Thessalonians 5: 12 – 14

2019 seems to have been a year of ups and downs, trying our patience and testing our faith. We have certainly been blessed in our morning worship as we followed different series exploring the Bible. The addition of Prayer and Praise each month has given us a chance to share with one another, whether that be a reading, a hymn or a word of testimony, a time to pray for the Church family, the community and the wider Church. The monthly prayer has continued each month, on the second Sunday, before the morning service, and in addition we now have a weekly prayer on Mondays at 7.30pm. Many of the ups and downs have been in the health of a number of the Church fellowship and it is encouraging to see the practical and prayer support in action. Sadly Carole Radcliffe lost her fight with ill health and went to be with her Lord. Carole's Mum, Peggy Taylor, followed only a couple of months later. We remember the family in our prayers. A new family was welcomed into the Church family, Candace and Tom Errington with their sons, Jaydon and Kai and we also welcomed Regina Tetlow.

Once again Belmont trainees were encouraged to lead us in worship and it is a blessing to hear them preach God's word and what it means to them. The pulpit has been well supplied and we give thanks to Philip for his commitment to the Church and its worship. Our thanks go to Iain as he leads us in Prayer and Praise most months.

It is a great blessing to see so many young people in Church on Sunday mornings and we are encouraged by their enthusiasm and their willingness to get involved. Some of the older ones attended Spree in the summer and this was a great opportunity for them to meet with other young Christians. A summer Holiday Club led by Graham Harry and Iain, with involvement from many of our Youth team and others from the Parish Church was also much enjoyed. FiSH continues to meet monthly and many of the youngsters are now bringing along their friends to share in fellowship and to study the bible.

2 Housegroups meet regularly to study God's word and to pray. A number of prayer triplets also meet regularly. It is a privilege to have the freedom to meet regularly to share in fellowship with one another and to encourage one another in our walk with God.

Outreach to the Community continues with the Community Market each month, apart from January and August. Our gratitude goes to Penny and her team for this much appreciated resource within the Community. Once again we opened the Church for the Food and Families Festival, the sponsored bike ride for Devon Historic Churches and the Tar Barrels to provide refreshments.

Donations were received for the Foodbank. The Foodbank is supported by Churches together and local families welcome this resource. As always we are grateful to all those who contribute the much needed food and to all the volunteers who so willingly give their time. The Walk of Witness on Good Friday was again followed by a joint service in our Church with tea, coffee and hot cross buns served after the service. Churches Together held another joint service in the Parish Church during the Week of prayer for Christian unity

The refurbishment programme has had its ups and downs with delays in getting Listed Buildings' consent among other problems. We are grateful to Gary and George for their patience and perseverance which won through in the end, as we can see in our newly decorated Church and Hall and with new lighting in place. Further work is still to be done but without the disruption caused by scaffolding etc this year. There were a number of working parties to keep things in order and thanks go to all those involved. Our Church is a welcoming place and we must thank the Flower team for the lovely arrangements in place each Sunday. Thanks too to those who welcome us at the door, the Preachers, the musicians, those who lead us in prayer, the readers, the technical team, those who make the coffee, Penny for having the heating on for us, the Youth team, Judith for the newsletter and Ivan for the Website and technical advice.

A number of lunches were held, an opportunity to get to know one another better and a summer barbecue. These were well supported and much enjoyed so thanks to those who took on the organisation and to the cooks. With the decoration going on in the Church and Hall we were unable to hold a harvest lunch this year but our gifts of food went to the Foodbank and the monetary gifts to Release. The offering on Christmas day went to St Petrocks.

Our 3 Elders have met regularly and are grateful for the input of our non-serving Elders. In addition to Elders' meetings we have also attended Partnership meetings giving us an opportunity to meet with members from other Churches.

An advert went out at the end of last year for a Part-time Church Leader. We were encouraged when initial enquiries were made but it was not until the end of the year that God answered our prayers with a suitable candidate. Robert Marshall was successfully interviewed and agreed to join us. Robert will be taking up his new post with us in the middle of January. We look forward to welcoming him and his family into our Church fellowship

Finally I would just like to give thanks for God's goodness and for all of you for all that you do in His name. May you continue to know God's many blessings.

Lorna Mackie

YOUTH REPORT

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During the last year the group has grown (attendance ranges from 3 to 9 children, aged between 10 and 15), and now meets in the lounge most Sundays. Our sessions include a mixture of games, video clips, and discussions about how the Bible applies to our lives. The recent series on 'Wellbeing' has been very powerful – as we have looked at the life of Elijah we have seen how God takes care of our physical, emotional and spiritual needs, sometimes in unexpected ways. It is a great privilege to be sharing the word with this age group, and we pray that all these seeds will fall on good soil and bear fruit in time, and that the young people will increasingly be able to enjoy being part of the main services as much as being upstairs.

Iain Randall

Key Stage 1

For most of the year we were working with the On The Way books from Christian Focus Publications, but moved to Energize from Urban Saints (previously known as Crusaders) on Graham's recommendation. This has worked very well. All the resources are web-based and can be printed as needed. Their materials cover 3 -18 year olds. We started with a 3 month trial that went well so the team decided to proceed with it for all the groups and we paid our first annual subscription. It has been good to welcome Kai to the group which during 2019 was attended by Gracie, Daniel and Benjamin. They are all very enthusiastic to read, to learn, to dress up and to remember key verses.

0-4 Group

This group during 2019 comprised of Anna, Lucy and Rosie. One of the middle rooms upstairs was laid out beautifully by Ruthie to take care of this group with rug, toys and lots of books. Mums or Dads normally accompany the children upstairs, although sometimes they are happy to just sit at the back.

Judith Webber

FiSH (Fun in Someone's House)

This group meets monthly, and now comprises up to 14 young people (aged between 10 and 15). A particular encouragement is that more than a third of the group came to us on the invitation of friends and do not attend church activities anywhere else. Graham provides great support with the sessions, which are a mixture of social time, food, games and some spiritual input. The noise level has increased with the extra members, and we have started making use of the church hall for some of our sessions. Maybe in time the 'H' in FiSH will come to stand for 'Hall'! We are very thankful for the group, and look forward to our second visit to the Spree camp in June/July this year with the group from Newton Poppleford.

Iain Randall

Holiday Club – Landlubbers' Return

This year's club was a roaring success, with around 30 children attending at the Station each day for a mixture of games, songs, Bible stories, craft and general mayhem, led by Graham Harry and the team (including people from the URC and St Mary's). The fourth day was a highlight, with the whole enterprise relocating to River Dart Country Park. The theme for the week was the story of David and how this was echoed in the life of Jesus, with some testimony on the last day of how this applies to our own lives. Plans are already underway for Landlubbers 3 in August 2020, and we rejoice at God's goodness in blessing the work so far, bringing an enthusiastic crew together, and giving us an opportunity to reach out to this age group.

Iain Randall

PRAYER AND PRAISE / PRAYER MEETINGS

During 2019 we have continued to meet monthly on a Sunday evening for an open time of worship. There is an opportunity for everyone there to participate, either through choosing a song, praying, sharing testimony or reading from the Bible, and these are often times of great joy, peace and comfort. Also during 2019, we have begun meeting on a Monday evening every week for a time of corporate prayer for the church family, the work of the church, and other matters of person, local and global concern. We can never have enough prayer, and note in Acts 2:42 that the early church "devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer." We hope this continues to be a top priority in 2020.

Iain Randall

HOUSEGROUPS

Thursdays

We have continued to be blessed by fellowshiping together around God's word. This last year we have undertaken studies of the books of Esther and Galatians, as well as the theme of Contentment. Our series on the life of Barnabas taught us about the importance of encouraging one another, and the homegroup setting continues to provide an excellent opportunity to do this: "...let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching" (Hebrews 10:24,25). We are always open to new members, and meet fortnightly at 8pm on a Thursday in one of our houses!

Iain Randall

Wednesdays

This year we have completed studies on Angels, Integrity, New Testament Characters and Revelation.

We are currently working through an 8-part study on The Lord's Prayer which takes an additional New Testament reading to expand and explain the meaning of each section of the prayer.

We are a small group at present, 9-12 people each session. We welcome all who wish to attend and are happy to accommodate those who cannot manage every session. Tea, Coffee or a soft drink and biscuits open each session.

David Briden

COMMUNITY MARKET

The monthly markets we run at The Institute on Saturday mornings have gone well this year. We have around 25 tables each market selling crafts, food, second hand books, publicising projects or events. Some stallholders come every month and some come occasionally. The WI continue to produce the very popular refreshments. Although our footfall is down on a few years ago we still have a core of both stallholders and customers who enjoy coming to the market both for shopping and to meet friends and have a coffee.

Good publicity is important and Ali has again designed our leaflets and posters. 4200 leaflets were distributed at the beginning of the year to Ottery, West Hill, Feniton and surrounding villages. Martin writes a piece in the Gazette each month with a photo focussing on a different stallholder each month. He also contacts the local papers. One of the stallholders does the online publicity for us which is very helpful.

We have the opportunity to chat to both stallholders and customers during the morning and pray that we can make good contacts with local people.

The surplus for 2019 is £528.43 which will go to a local charity.

Thank you to all those who help by getting down to The Institute very early(!) to put tables out, putting away tables and clearing up at the end of the market, publicity, accounts or in any way.

Penny Hounslow

FOODBANK

This year we have seen a record increase in everything relating to the Foodbank. The number of clients, the expenditure and donations of food and money have all exceeded any previous year.

The Foodbank deals with clients on a referral basis. Referrals are made by the Agencies and organisations dealing with people in need or distress including Social Services, East Devon District Council, the Jobcentres, the Churches, The Medical Centre, Housing Associations, Debt Advice Agencies, Citizens Advice, Childcare Agencies etc. etc.

We aim to provide three days food to cover three meals a day giving a balanced diet of largely tinned or long-life foods. In addition, we also give vouchers for fresh greengrocery from Otter Produce in the Square and £10 worth gas/electricity per referral for those on the 'key' system [formerly coin-in-the slot meter].

This year we have issued 282 'food parcels' to provide food for 634 people which covers 5706 meals. We have also issued 375 greengrocery vouchers and given £430 of gas/electricity top-ups. Total expenditure this year has been £2,130.26 of which £2,086.77 is expenditure on clients, £20.00 for the Foodbank mobile Phone and £23.49 for additional storage boxes.

We are very grateful to all our donors, the generosity of everyone around us continues to exceed expectations. Particular thanks to our loyal donors who give by Bankers Order each month; a gentleman who, once again, passed on to us his winter fuel allowance; the Ottery St Mary URC; The Rotary Club of Otter Vale, The Food & Family's Festival and many others. Our thanks also to Otter Produce who manage the voucher scheme and also give to the Foodbank.

The Ottery St Mary Parish Church, West Hill Parish Church, Feniton Parish Church, Ottery URC and Roberts Ironmongers keep collection boxes for food donations and we thank them and also the people who empty the boxes and deliver the foodstuffs to us regularly.

We are also very grateful to our volunteers who all give their time generously and without remuneration. No expenses are paid or expected by anyone associated with the Foodbank.

As the generosity of our donors of both food and money has also increased our income in 2019 has exceeded our expenditure and we begin the New Year in a very good position to continue to help those most in need.

David Briden

FABRIC

Church

Maintenance and repairs to the fabric of the Church and Hall continued during the year, arranged as necessary.

The interiors of the Sanctuary and ground floor of the Hall were redecorated in the Autumn.

During the redecoration of the Hall, a limited area of the timber floor of the stage, together with the underlying joists and supports, was discovered to have rot. Repairs and treatment were carried out.

The rewiring and replacement of the Sanctuary lighting, together with the replacement of the lighting on the ground floor of the Hall, was completed in December.

Quotations for the replacement of the existing boilers together with the heating control system have been obtained and are being considered. Details will be presented to Church Members in due course.

Further refurbishment work, including to the kitchen, is being investigated.

Serious damage to one of the front entrance gate pillars and the adjacent wall was caused by a vehicle in September. Work to ensure that satisfactory repairs are carried out is ongoing.

A quotation for the external redecoration of the church and hall has been accepted and it is hoped that the work will take place in 2020.

Manse

The property has continued to be let.

Maintenance and repairs were arranged as necessary.

Thanks

Particular thanks are due to Gary Beamer for his involvement with the Fabric work, especially the refurbishment projects and also the repair work needed during the year.

George Moon

MISSION

The mission group of Judith Webber, Tim Beard and Anne Brinton with John Nash has met twice this year. The results of the most recent meeting plus subsequent discussions are attached below.

Recommendations for Home and Overseas Missionary Giving in 2020 for consideration by the Annual general meeting.

Financial support for Mission in 2020 from the general fund, should be increased slightly to £3,800. This will be coupled with the remaining allocation from the Allen Cooper fund of £500.

So, the total mission giving in 2020 should be £4,300.00 substantially less than the giving in 2019 of £5,814.76.

This year the support for the Persecuted Church and refugees will be through Open Doors

Local Evangelism

The O6 Project is making a valuable contribution in Ottery, so it is recommended that the annual contribution from the church should be increased to £1,500, and an additional gift of £500 be made from the remaining Allen Cooper bequest money.

Ottery Christian Youth Pastor (O6)	£1,500
Allen Cooper bequest	£500

TOTAL	£2,000
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We will stop supporting Mike Strange as his situation has changed.

Proposed Overseas support for 2020

The division of mission spends overseas would remain similar in proportion to last year.

Summary of Overseas Mission activities supported

Ethiopia EKC Self-help Project	Committed for another year before revision
Open Doors	Persecuted Christians/ refugees
Thai Pocket Testament League	Evangelism/ Teaching/ Poor relief
Kunhar Christian Hospital, Pakistan	Support building of new infrastructure in remote area
El Shaddai Children's Home, Chennai	Running costs of orphanage

Suggested support

TEAR Fund	£600
Open Doors	£500
Thai PTL	£400
Kunhar Hospital	£400
El Shaddai	£400
TOTAL	£2,300

This proposal gives each agency about £100 less than last year.

Last year actual expenditure on these five services was £3,050.00.

John Nash

OTTERY ST MARY UNITED REFORM CHURCH

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS
OF THE UNITED REFORM CHURCH

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31 December 2019, which are set out on pages 5 to 9.

Respective responsibilities of URC and the examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commissions under section 145 (5) (b) of the 2011 Act; and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a "true and fair view" and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

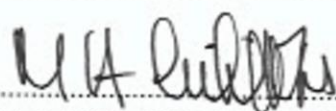
Independent examiners statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:-

- 1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records, comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act and with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities.

have not been met; or

- 2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed: 
M A Griffiths FCCA (Director)

Lentells Limited
Chartered Certified Accountants and Registered
Auditors
50 Fore Street
Seaton
Devon, EX12 2AD

Date: 30/3/2020

Ottery St Mary

URC Charity

Registered Charity Number: 1165093

Financial Report

2019

OTTERY ST MARY UNITED REFORMED CHURCH

Financial Report for the year ended 31 December 2019

This report includes information required by the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the Statement of Recommended Practice for Accounting by Charities 2005 as applicable to charities entitled to prepare accounts on the receipts and payments basis.

Administrative information

The Ottery St Mary United Reformed Church is a local church of the United Reformed Church in Great Britain, and is a member church of the South West Synod of the Church.

Ottery St Mary United Reformed Church is situated at Jesu Street, Ottery St Mary. The correspondence address is 47 Raleigh Road, Ottery St Mary, EX11 1TG.

The members of the Elders' Meeting for the time being are recognised as the charity trustees. Those who served from 4th February 2019 to the date this report was approved are:

Mrs A Brinton	Elder
Mrs L Mackie	Elder and Secretary
Dr J Nash	Elder

The church treasurer was Mrs Barbara Beamer.

The Church building and the manse at 27 Butts Road, Ottery St Mary, EX11 1EL are vested in The Trustees, The United Reformed Church (South Western Synod) Incorporated as trustees and held for the benefit of Ottery St Mary United Reformed Church in accordance with the trusts applicable to URC properties.

Structure, governance and management

The activities of Ottery St Mary United Reformed Church are overseen by the Elders' Meeting of the Church in accordance with the provisions of The Structure of the United Reformed Church determined by the General Assembly of the United Reformed Church, in accordance with the normal practice of Ottery St Mary United Reformed Church.

The Elders' Meeting is responsible for the financial administration of the Church, and the care and maintenance of Church premises and the manse. The Church Meeting (of all members wishing to attend) gives general guidance on the life and work of the Church.

The members of the Elders' Meeting are the Minister in pastoral charge and up to nine members of the Ottery St Mary United Reformed Church nominated and elected by the members of Ottery St Mary United Reformed Church in Church Meeting. To be eligible for election, a person must have been worshipping in the

church regularly for over one year and either be a member or, indicate that they are prepared to seek membership and be accepted before being ordained as an Elder. Elders serve for three years, retire by rotation and are eligible for re-election. There is no limit to the number of consecutive periods of service. There was no Minister in pastoral charge during 2019.

The Elders' Meeting met 14 times during the year. The Elders' Meeting is assisted in the administration of the Church and its property by committees established for Mission, Youth Work, Premises, Finance and Worship. The Church Meeting met 8 times during the year (including the AGM).

Objectives and activities

As a local congregation of the United Reformed Church, Ottery St Mary United Reformed Church seeks to advance the Christian religion through its activities and the facilities offered to the community by its building. The object of the Ottery St Mary United Reformed Church Charity is the advancement of the Christian faith for the benefit of the public in accordance with the Scheme of Union of the United Reformed Church.

The Church's vision is to be a spiritually strong, loving, bible-based family church where

- as individuals we take a personal daily walk with God
- we meet to learn together and encourage each other in the Christian life
- we work together to reach out and communicate the good news of Jesus Christ both locally and beyond in a bold, enthusiastic and effective manner

The Elders' Meeting is aware of the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit in "The Advancement of Religion for the Public Benefit" and has regard to it in the administration of the Church.

The Elders' Meeting believes that the church provides benefit to the public by:

- providing resources and facilities for public worship, pastoral care and spiritual, moral and intellectual development, both for the congregation and for anyone else who wishes to benefit from what the Church offers;
- promoting Christian values and service by members of the congregation to the community, for the benefit of individuals and society as a whole.

Achievements and performance

Wednesday and Thursday evening housegroups meet weekly, giving opportunities for Bible study and prayer. Men's breakfast offered opportunities for fellowship and outreach, but has ceased for the time being. Monthly and weekly prayer meetings have taken place seeking the Lord's help and guidance for the future of the church.

The church has been without a pastor for several years. Towards the end of the year Rob Marshall agreed to take on the role, and it is anticipated that he will start

work in early 2020. We give thanks for this answer to prayer and look forward to welcoming Rob and his family into our fellowship.

Sunday morning meetings provide opportunities for worship and teaching. At the same time, children of all ages from toddlers to teenagers attend Sunday club. It has been a blessing to see the continued involvement of a number of young families on Sundays.

FISH provided opportunities for 11 year olds upwards to meet together for fun, food and some Christian teaching.

Mission remains close to our hearts and the Mission Group have kept us up to date with regular articles in the Newsletter.

The church has continued to manage the Ottery St Mary Community Market. This has produced a surplus of £528.43 this year ~ an increase on last year.

There have been a number of fellowship lunches, providing opportunities to get to know each other better. There was also a church barbecue in the summer.

We have continued our involvement with Churches Together in Ottery. Members of the church have continued to organise and assist in the Ottery Food Bank, which is housed in the church hall. Ecumenical events organised included the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity and the Good Friday walk of witness. Members of the church were also involved in organising and helping to run the "Landlubbers Holiday Club"

During the year the church continued its membership of the Evangelical Alliance and of Partnership UK.

We served refreshments during the Food & Families Festival, the Carnival and Tar Barrels, providing opportunities for conversation and outreach to our local community and beyond, while raising a total of £185.21 for the Ottery Food Bank.

A number of different organisations have used the church facilities, including Brownies, Table Tennis club, Kurling Club, Ottery Warblers, Ottery Community Theatre, the La La Choir and Ottery Choral Society.

Grants were obtained to assist with the refurbishment of the church. The interior of the church and hall has been decorated and new lighting has been installed. During the work an area of rot was discovered on the flooring of the stage in the hall and this has been repaired. It is anticipated that new boilers will be installed and the kitchen replaced during 2020.

The manse continues to provide a steady stream of income.

We thank the Lord for his provision for us, both financially and spiritually. We put our trust in Him as we seek to know His will and to serve Him in Ottery St Mary.

Financial Review

The church's finances are still in a healthy condition. There has been an increase in cash donations and weekly envelopes. At the same time there has been a small drop in monthly standing orders, but overall giving to the church has increased slightly. In March 2018 the church meeting agreed to reduce our Maintenance of Ministry contributions by 50% to reflect the fact that we only want to pay sufficient to cover the costs we incur to the denomination, and do not wish to support those churches who choose to conduct same sex marriages. We have continued to pay just 50% of our Maintenance of Ministry contributions throughout 2019.

Designated Funds: The church has set aside £250.00 from the rental income it receives each month to be used towards repairs and maintenance at the manse. At 31 December the balance held (including interest) was £6,225.70. We pay £100 a year to the National Churches Trust, as a condition of the grant they provided to assist with the building work.


Restricted Funds: Restricted donations of £6,247.06 were received. These included a grant of £3,000 and gifts totalling £1,632 towards the refurbishment. Of the sundry income, restricted funds relate to gifts towards the costs of FISH, SPREE and cleaning the hall curtains. Other donations are detailed in the Financial Statements.

Unrestricted Funds: After taking into account designated and restricted funds, there remains a balance of £68,276.30 in general funds (as compared with £51,840.27 in 2018). Ideally, the Elders' Meeting would wish to have in hand an amount equal to at least 6 months regular expenditure (approximately £13,000) on unrestricted funds as "free" reserves, to meet future shortfalls in income or unexpected expense. The balance of £68,276.30 at 31 December represents more than this, but is likely to be needed as we appoint a new pastor and further refurbishments to the church and hall are planned.

The annual financial report has been prepared on the basis of a Receipts and Payments Account together with relevant notes and will be subject to an Independent Examination in accordance with the Charities Act 2011.

Declaration

Approved at a meeting of the church members on
and signed on their behalf by



Mrs Lorna Mackie (Secretary)

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

	General Fund £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2019 Total £	2018 Total £
RECEIPTS					
<i>Incoming resources from donors</i>					
Cash donations	5,494.45			5,494.45	5,430.29
Weekly envelopes	5,566.80	1,250.00		6,816.80	6,494.40
Payments direct to bank	10,116.00	2,300.00		12,416.00	12,504.00
Tax refund	6,010.45			6,010.45	5,537.99
<i>Other voluntary incoming resources</i>					
Missionary & related objects			1,093.31	1,093.31	1,214.42
Legacies	4,500.00	500.00		5,000.00	500.00
Community Market	1,260.70			1,260.70	1,165.05
Building Fund					
Grants			3,000.00	3,000.00	3,574.80
Donations			1,632.00	1,632.00	162.73
Sundry income	262.90		521.75	784.65	1,677.56
<i>Income from investments</i>					
Investment income	602.89	2.00		604.89	589.35
Use of hall	1,762.00			1,762.00	1,932.00
Rental income from manse	7,032.00	3,000.00		10,032.00	7,099.84
Total receipts	42,608.19	7,052.00	6,247.06	55,907.25	47,882.43
PAYMENTS					
<i>Church activities</i>					
Ministry & mission	6,168.00			6,168.00	7,207.50
Missionary & related objects		5,814.76	1,338.51	7,153.27	7,166.51
Ottery manse expenses	409.71	345.00		754.71	6,059.69
Community Market	732.27			732.27	837.91
Church running costs	13,841.65		131.75	13,973.40	9,265.49
Refurbishment	772.72	45,631.43	4,794.73	51,198.88	-
Worship/activity	3,022.17		340.00	3,362.17	4,225.00
<i>Church management</i>					
Administration/ sundries	1,225.64	100.00		1,325.64	1,122.86
Total payments	26,172.16	51,891.19	6,604.99	84,668.34	35,884.96
Net (Deficit)/Surplus	16,436.03	(44,839.19)	(357.93)	(28,761.09)	11,997.47
Bank current and deposit accounts at 01.01.2019	51,840.27	51,564.89	2,148.93	105,554.09	93,556.62
Bank current and deposit accounts at 31.12.2019	68,276.30	6,725.70	1,791.00	76,793.00	105,554.09

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2019

	Note	General	Endowment	Designated	Restricted	Totals	Totals
		Fund	Funds	Funds	Funds	2019	2018
		£	£	£	£	£	£
ASSETS	2						
Investments	3						
2022 M & G Charibond			2,508.29			2,508.29	2,469.47
360 M & G Charfund			5,978.48			5,978.48	5,126.51
2829.77 COIF Ethical Inv Fd			7,343.25			7,343.25	6,207.38
Total Investments		<u>-</u>	<u>15,830.02</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>15,830.02</u>	<u>13,803.36</u>
Current Assets	4						
Barclays current account	9	63,730.90		-	191.00	63,921.90	95,705.26
Business premium account	8,9	4,545.40		6,725.70	1,600.00	12,871.10	9,848.83
Current Balance		<u>68,276.30</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>6,725.70</u>	<u>1,791.00</u>	<u>76,793.00</u>	<u>105,554.09</u>

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019**

1. Accounting Policies

General

The accounts are prepared using the Receipts and Payments basis and in accordance with the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice.

Receipts and Payments

Receipts are the total amount received by the church in offerings and donations. Expenditure is accounted for when it is paid.

Fund accounting

Separate records are kept for funds which have been designated and funds with restricted use. The church's general fund may be used by the church at its discretion to further its stated charitable objectives.

2. Statement of Assets and Liabilities

The following assets are not included in the Statement of Assets and Liabilities:

- ~ Land and buildings ~ the church building and manse
- ~ Furnishings, fixtures and fittings and office equipment

3. Investments held by Provincial Synod on our behalf:

Investments are valued at market value at 31 December 2019, and are "permanent". The income only can be used for "general purposes".

4. Bank Accounts

There are two bank accounts with Barclays Bank ~ a current account and a Business Premium Account. The Business Premium Account provides a small amount of interest.

All cash received is initially paid into the Barclays current account, with a transfer being made each month of £250 to the Business Premium Account, earmarked for the Manse Repair Fund.

5. Tax Refund

A Gift Aid tax refund amounting to £6,010.45 was claimed.

6. Community Market

Receipts	£ 2019	£ 2019	£ 2018	£ 2018
Table fees		1,260.70		1,165.00
Less				
Payments				
Hire of hall	264.00		264.00	
Photocopying/printing	19.55		12.75	
Publicity	425.47		460.68	
Musicians			30.00	
Sundries	23.25	732.27	50.48	837.91
Net profit		<u>528.43</u>		<u>327.14</u>

7. Missionary and Related Objectives

	B/fwd £	Rec'd £	Church £	Total £	Paid £	C/fwd £
The Beehive (Kay Ammon)	386.20	34.00		420.20	420.20	-
Christian Schools work			350.00	350.00	350.00	-
El Shadai		226.10	500.00	726.10	726.10	-
Kunhar Christian Hospital			500.00	500.00	500.00	-
O6 Project	1,414.76	100.00	1,000.00	2,514.76	2,514.76	-
Ottery Food Bank		269.21		269.21	269.21	-
Release		184.00	700.00	884.00	884.00	-
St Petrock's		141.00		141.00		141.00
TEAR Fund		139.00	750.00	889.00	889.00	-
Thai Testament			600.00	600.00	600.00	-
	<u>1,800.96</u>	<u>1,093.31</u>	<u>4,400.00</u>	<u>7,294.27</u>	<u>7,153.27</u>	<u>141.00</u>

The payments shown as "Church" were agreed at the 2019 Church AGM and at subsequent church meetings.

8. Restricted Funds

Mission Fund	£ 141.00
Kitchen upgrade	£ 1,600.00
FISH	£ 50.00

9. Designated Funds

Manse Repair Fund	£ 6,225.70
Mission Fund	£ 500.00

10. Notes

Insurance Cover

Sum insured:-	Church (buildings)	£1,778,005
	(contents)	£ 64,241
	Manse (building)	£ 248,176
	Manse (contents)	£ 20,069

Ministry & Mission

The 2019 Assessment was calculated at £12,336 to give a monthly payment of £1,028.

The 2020 Assessment has been calculated at £12,612 to give a monthly payment of £1,051.

In accordance with a decision by the church meeting the monthly payment has been reduced to half the assessed rate.

For a more detailed explanation of Ministry and Mission payments, please see the Treasurer.