

ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

SUNDAY 29TH APRIL 2018
AT 1.00_{PM}



ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

A *Annual Vestry Meeting - Election of churchwardens*

1. Prayers
2. Minutes of last Meeting
3. Chairman's remarks
4. Election of Wardens

B *Annual General Meeting*

1. Opening Worship
2. Apologies for Absence
3. Minutes of last Annual General Meeting
4. Matters Arising
5. Christ Church Reports
6. Matters arising from Reports
7. Appointment of Auditor
8. Report on Electoral Roll
9. 9. Elections:
 - 9.1 PCC members
 - 9.2 Deanery Synod members
 - 9.3 Deputy Wardens
 - 9.4 Sides persons
10. Rector's Report
11. Any other Business
12. Date of next Annual General Meeting

CHRIST CHURCH MORETON - PARROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

ANNUAL VESTRY MEETING MINUTES

30th April 2017

Opened in prayer

The minutes of the last meeting were agreed by all as a true record.

Churchwardens are elected by the parish, thanks to Eileen and Angela for all the work they carry out in the background.

We need two Churchwardens and we have two nominations being Angela and Eileen. All were happy to appoint them again this year.

The Churchwardens can only serve for six years and must then take a break. Eileen will not be eligible to stand next year.

End of the vestry meeting

**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
PAROCHIAL CHURCH CUNCIL
CHRIST CHURCH MORETON
30 April 2017**

1. Opening Worship

Hymn "name of all majesty", opened in prayer and listened to a reading from the bible - John 15:1-17. Reminding us that God works through us in his purposes.

2. Apologies for absence

Shirley Lewis, Gina Ferrie, John and Rachel Myatt, Carol and Tommy Allen, Edna Littler, Alison Entwistle, Wendy Martindale, Clair Culligan, Lynn and Martyn Hindle.

36 Members attended todays meeting

3. Minutes of the last AGM

All agreed that they were a true copy

4. Matters arising from last meeting – None

5. Christchurch reports

Treasurers report 2016 - Lynda Jones presented her report that the Church was underfunded by £2,700 as Expenditure exceeds income. As many costs have been decreased as far as possible, there is not much left that can be done. The new thermostat in Church has considerably reduced the gas bill. For the four months of this current year, we are running at £50 per week under budget. We have once again lost a number of people through moving / passing away and so income is down. Peter Martindale raised a question, on the accounts on page two in the comparative box, this was a calculation error.

Thanks to Lynda for the work she does along with and her team, Anne, Edna and Doreen. Accounts were approved.

PCC report, churchwardens report and missionary reports were all in the pack no questions raised.

Our Church vision of Making, Being and Growing Disciples is being shown by each of the teams providing pastoral care, open church, prayer ministry, adult training, foodbank, TLC and family pack. These ministries are open to non-church members and serve Moreton. For children and families we have toddler group, Sunday clubs and SOS each of these are crucial to our work as they are central to working with families. Gwen added that people should come along and see what they do, as how can we recommend these groups if we don't know what happens.

Arts and crafts - craft club meet every Thursday in the parish centre.

Outreach – home groups, mothers and others, men's breakfast, ladies lunch and Christ church school enables us to build each other up.

6. Matters arising from reports

None.

7. Appointment of auditor

Diane Topping (an old colleague of Jane Matthews) completed the audit this year and was re-appointed auditor again this year.

8. Report on Electoral Roll

The number of names on the electoral roll was 127 last year from this number 4 people have died and 2 new members so now 125 on the electoral roll.

9. Elections

Deanery Synod – they meet three times a year we have two nominations, Jane Fisher and Beryl Blackman all were happy to appoint both nominees.

PCC – we say farewell to four members, Jane Fisher, Barrie Smith, Terry Hughes and Martyn Hindle. They have each put so much work into the church, thank you to them all. We have three nominees for the PCC, Carol Allen, Pauline Williams and Lynda Jones, all were happy to appoint all three.

Assistants to the Church Wardens – We have three nominations, Beryl Blackman, Terry Hughes and Carol Allen all were happy to appoint all three.

Sides persons – a list was read out of the sides people all were happy to appoint these again

10. Rectors report

Great to get together as the whole body of the Church and is a time to thank people for their hard work over the last year especially, the Church Wardens and Beryl, the treasurer, Lynda and her supporting team of Edna, Anne and Doreen and for Jane in the office.

Looking back over the last year the big event was Hope Moreton and in eight days we made contact with a huge number of people along with special services for the Queen's Birthday, and Christmas services.

We are growing disciples through Sunday Club, SOS and School and we need to make the most of each opportunity. Being disciples this year has brought us together with Moreton Baptist Church and after Hope Moreton we look forward to 'Thy Kingdom Come' at Pentecost.

We need to look forward to the challenges ahead, Hope Moreton hasn't brought anyone new into church. We are seeking funding for a Children's and Families worker but possibly a part time role, so are we growing without producing much fruit. It is discouraging but although we do not see the fruit straight away we should not give up but keep our passion and trust in Him.

To keep being disciples we need to worship, study and pray and without these we won't see the fruit. At the 9.00 am and 10.45 am services we need intercessors to pray, if we do get a children's and families worker it is not for us to sit back and let them get on with it, it is for us to help them. We only have two Sunday club leaders, God may be holding back on giving us the worker until we are ready with the other aspects of children's work.

There are great things going on here and we need to appreciate God at work in the groups that meet here.

11. Any other business

Question raised – Is there any youth work planned for high school children? As we don't have any of this age group at the moment no, but we do need to start thinking about what we can do.

12. Date of the next AGM will be 22nd April 2018

Annual

Report

Members of the Parochial Church Council from 1st January 2017 to 31 December 2017:

<i>Rector</i>	Revd Graham Cousins (ex-officio)
<i>Associate Minister</i>	Revd Debbi Stott (ex-officio)
<i>Curate</i>	Revd Jeremy Bintliff (ex-officio)
<i>Wardens</i>	Mrs Angela Hanton (re-elected 30 th April 2017) Mrs Eileen Hughes (re-elected 30 th April 2017)
<i>Secretary</i>	Mr Phil Jones
<i>Treasurer</i>	Mrs Lynda Jones

Other members:

Mrs Carol Allen (appointed 30th April 2017)
Mrs Beryl Blackman (Deanery Synod member)
Mrs Doreen Bryce
Mr Steve Eaves
Mrs Jane Fisher (retired 30th April 2017),(Deanery Synod member)
Mr Martyn Hindle (retired 30th April 2017)
Mr Nick Huggins (deceased 13th August 2017)
Mr Terry Hughes (retired 30th April 2017)
Mrs Lynda Jones (appointed 30th April 2017)
Mr Phil Jones
Mrs Lindsey Lawrence
Mr Barrie Smith (retired 30th April 2017)
Mr Steve Smith
Dr Ian Stott
Mrs Pauline Williams (appointed 30th April 2017)

Bankers: Santander
CAF Bank

Custodian Trustee: Chester Diocesan Board of Finance

Christ Church and Public Benefit

Christ Church Moreton PCC is a Christian charity which undertakes a variety of activities in Moreton with wide ranging public benefit. The individual sections of this report explain in some detail the activities that take place (with statistics where available) and these provide public benefit in one or more of the following areas:

- The Christian faith provides a religious, moral and ethical framework. Christ Church PCC and the members of Christ Church seek to explain this faith to people in the parish and to live it out in their lives.
- The PCC maintains the parish church as a place of worship in the town and has regular services of worship, mainly on Sundays and in addition on special occasions in the church's year, for example Christmas and Easter Week. The church is open most lunch times during the week for visiting and private prayer.
- The parish centre is maintained to supplement the church building in the provision of facilities for social care and outreach (eg TLC, Tea Bar/Lighthouse and various clubs) and for teaching the Christian faith.
- Christ Church is available and well used for weddings, funerals and wedding blessings. The churchyard, though having no new burial plots or space available in the Gardens of Remembrance, is still open for burials and for the interment of cremation ashes in existing plots.
- Christ Church helps to provide moral and spiritual education of children both by helping manage and provide spiritual instruction for Christ Church voluntary aided school (where the rector is the chair of governors) and by running Sunday school and mums and toddlers groups.
- The church and its members try to carry out Jesus Christ's teaching to provide for those in need through giving away part of its income, by organising collections for relief charities and by providing assistance for local needs such as the homeless. The church has a 'drop in' tea bar during term time to provide a friendly face and refreshments to local people. The church also provides work placements for people from the local adult education unit.
- The church has a pastoral care team which undertakes hospital and sick visiting and visits and assists those who are bereaved. A special service is held annually for those families bereaved during the year. The church also runs groups to help particular social care concerns.
- The church is also aware of working in Moreton and strives to ensure that its activities do not cause problems for people living in the area.

Essentially everything that is done at Christ Church is open to anyone who wishes to partake. Some areas of work, for example the toddler group, are necessarily limited to certain groups of people, but anyone who falls into such a group (subject to space being available) is welcome. Some parts of church services (such as taking communion bread and wine) are restricted to members of faith, but all are welcome to attend and partake in all services. Although most of those who benefit from the PCC's work live or work in the Moreton area,

some beneficiaries are overseas (eg the recipients of mission donations) or in other parts of the UK (eg UK societies assisted).

Most of those carrying out the church's activity are volunteers whose benefits from the activity are incidental to their work. The Rector and curate receive stipends on a national scale and adequate housing for the work they do in the parish, but again the benefits are necessary for the proper running of the church and are incidental.

The PCC are aware of the general guidance on public benefit published by the Charity Commission and this is taken into account in planning and operating the churches activities.

RECTOR'S REPORT

This booklet of annual reports covers many aspects of the life and mission of Christ Church. But it is important to look back over other important areas of our life together.

Christ Church is committed to Being Disciples. We have a regular pattern of worship services each week: Sundays at 9am is our more traditional service, at 10.45am — our family oriented service, and at 6.30pm a more reflective service. A small 'Preachers and Leaders team' met regularly to plan sermon series' and other aspects of our services, as well as other teaching programmes within the church. Average Sunday attendances are around 100. In addition there are special services around festivals such as Lent, Easter and Christmas, and occasionally services are combined with other churches in Wallasey Deanery and with other denominations in Moreton.

All our services also offer opportunities for church members to exercise different ministries — leading the services, reading the Bible or leading the prayers. At 10.45 am there is a regular slot where a member of the congregation will be interviewed about how God has been at work in their life. Music is also an important part of our corporate worship. We are blessed with gifted musicians and singers who lead the music in our 10.45 am and 6.30 pm services, and greatly enhance our worship, whilst music at the 9.00 am service has been digital. We also have a Prayer Ministry team, members of which are available after every service.

All these ministries involve 'Being Disciples' — using the gifts which God has given by his Spirit to serve his church. I would encourage others to explore whether God might be calling them to share in this.

However, being disciples doesn't just involve serving within the church. Many of our activities are geared towards serving our local community. Food Bank, and the Family Pack project support those in financial difficulties, whilst TLC, Toddler Group and Open Church are all primarily help those outside the church community. We also host services for local schools, especially around Christmas — in December 2017 over 1000 children and adults

attended school carol services in church. In addition we conduct regular assemblies in Christ Church, Lingham and Orrets Meadow schools.

The church is used for funerals, weddings and wedding blessings, baptisms and thanksgivings for the birth of a child. In 2017 our clergy (assisted by local retired clergy) conducted 43 funerals (16 of which took place in Christ Church). Christchurch graveyard is also used for burials and interment of cremation ashes.

Christ Church is committed to Growing Disciples. Our Sunday services play an important part in serving our vision of Growing Disciples. We long to help people to understand and respond to the good news of Jesus, and so a key element in all our service is Bible teaching – geared to help Christians at all stages of their discipleship to grow. This is also one purpose of our Home-groups, as together members study the Bible and encourage one another. Our Sunday Club also plays an important part in helping our children to grow as disciples, and it has been a joy in the past year to see some of our younger members involved in music, in Bible reading and in leading the intercessions at our 10.45 am service. It has been a blessing to this side of our work to welcome Kat Taylor as our Children and Families worker.

Christ Church is committed to Making Disciples. At all our services we seek to welcome newcomers – this year we have started identifying church members who are gifted at this and encouraged them to see welcome as their key Sunday ministry. We also ran ‘Tales of the Unexpected’ course for those enquiring about the Christian faith.

In the summer of 2017 major improvements were made to our Parish Centre, thanks to a generous anonymous donation which was matched by a grant from Burbo Bank Extension Community Fund. This should enable the Parish Centre to be more welcoming and useful not only for church activities but also for our community.

Making, Growing and Being Disciples can never be an individualistic thing – it is a vision which we share in together. Because of that things that affect individual church members do affects us all. 2017 saw the joy of celebrating the baptisms of 4 children, but also brought the sadness of the death of church members: Nick Huggins – who for many years was one of the leaders of our music group, Patricia Rowland – a member for many years, and Ron Curtis, a more recent member of Christ Church.

As is the case in any family, much work goes on almost unnoticed, and I would like to express my thanks to those who serve behind the scenes. Angela Hanton and Eileen Hughes cover so much work looking after the organisational side of the church and the buildings. 2017 saw increasing financial challenges, as our work was underfunded by around £50 per week, and I am grateful to our treasure Lynda Jones, with assistant treasurer Anne Turner, who put in a lot of work behind the scenes to help us deal with our finances. To them, and to so many others, I would like to express my sincere thanks.

Graham Cousins

TREASURER'S REPORT 2017

The church accounts are included with this report.

2017 has yet again been a difficult year in terms of finance for us, our expense has exceeded our income almost every month, we have however not seen a rise in costs as the congregation have willingly given of their time to help ensure costs are as low as possible. We have been able to welcome our children and families' worker through the pledges received to support this work. More money is needed to ensure this vital work can be sustained for the next few years, please continue to pray about this important area of mission.

General funds

2017 showed a negative position this year

- the total income for the year was £86,179 (up by £782, on 2016)
- with the expense being £82,265 (down by £60 on 2016)
- Total deficit of £1,935

The PCC tithe the income of the church and this is donated to missions around the world as well as our local community.

Restricted funds

These are funds which have been received for a specific purpose and can only be spent for that purpose.

The bulk of the balance in this account, is accounted for by 150th money, children and families' worker donations.

Designated Funds

These are funds which the PCC have designated for a specific purpose, but can be used for another purpose with the permission of the PCC.

This fund has started to decrease as we are now paying for the rent on our curate's house; the balance is made up from money received from the sale of Kinnerton close and the annual Tithe.

I would like to thank everyone who gives generously of their time to help keep church expenses low. I would also like to thank Doreen Bryce in her role as planned giving officer and Anne Turner as assistant treasurer, their help is invaluable to me.

2018 is likely to prove another challenging year in terms of our finances, we have our Children and families' worker to fund as well the normal expenses of running the church. As ever we expect to see an increase in utilities and parish share in 2018.

Can I encourage you all to continue to pray in relation to the church finances, that the Lord will provide for all the work ahead and that the PCC would continue to be prayerful and diligent in their handling of all the money the church receives.

Lynda Jones

CHURCHWARDEN'S REPORT

Another year as church wardens has gone by and we thank the Lord for His provision in equipping us to carry out our responsibilities.

All through the year we have had ongoing work within the grounds, and indoor jobs including electrical and plumbing, jobs which no doubt will be ongoing and will keep us busy for many years, we are so blessed that we have a great group of volunteers who give their time to the never ending work.

We also had to have some work done on the church roof as quite a few tiles came off during the high winds and bad weather in March but all was repaired and we are completely water tight again.

This year has also seen the refurbishment of the parish centre brought about by a donation and a grant from the Burbo Bank (wind farm), we pray that this great improvement will be of value to and for the community, it has certainly helped improve the use for many of the groups who use the centre for various activities from our own Sunday Club, S O S, and Mum's and Tots to Keep Fit, Craft Clubs and recently a Zumba class.

The Food bank is still on going as is our Family pack, both of these groups continue to help those in need and we thank the Lord for his endless provision to both of these groups.

Our grateful thanks to our sides people, our flower arrangers, our church and parish centre cleaners, all those on the tea rota, our parish secretary and all those who work as volunteers in the office, thank you all.

As I have now completed the statutory six years as warden I will now be standing down and I would like to say a big thank you to Angela and everyone who has supported me during the last six years.

We pray that the Lord will continue to bless, protect and provide for us all as we are "Making, Growing and Being Disciples, and our prayer is that we will be both Light and Salt as we all continue to serve our great God.

Eileen Hughes and Angela Hanton

PCC SECRETARY'S REPORT

The past twelve months have seen some significant changes in Christ Church, twelve months ago, among other items, the PCC were discussing changes to the parish centre, the closure of the graveyard and the employment of a children's and family worker, most of which had appeared on the PCC agenda for quite a considerable time.

During the year the parish centre drop in has been significantly developed and huge thanks has to go to those who were involved from the initial planning and funding applications to those who picked up the paint brushes to transform what had been a tired space into the modern looking area we have today. This change has had a positive effect on many of the activities that happen during the week in the centre.

The graveyard, which was officially closed over a year ago, has now had the maintenance handed over to the local council who have provided a schedule of maintenance for the coming year. Again, we have to say a big thank you to all those who have maintained the grounds since the decision that we were no longer able to pay for this to be done many years ago.

Kat Taylor has now officially started as our children's and families' worker. This is a massive step of faith for Christ Church to have taken and we pray that God will bless the work that she will do in the parish in the coming years.

It's great that we can now take these items off the agenda, however it doesn't mean that the job is done. Now that the parish centre is developed we must ensure that we are using it to its full potential, both by ensuring it is being let for parties, which bring in important income, but more importantly that we are using it for telling people about God and how he wants to part of their lives. We may have handed over the maintenance of the graveyard to the local council but that doesn't mean there is no practical work to do, both the church and the parish centre require a great deal of ongoing maintenance and if you are able to help it would be great to have more people involved with this. While we now have Kat as our children's and families' worker we must not leave her to do all the work, but we must work along side her, learn from her and encourage her.

The PCC will continue to meet every two months to discuss many aspects of running the church with the church vision of Making Disciples, Growing Disciples and Being Disciples in the forefront of the decisions we make.

Phil Jones

**Policy Statement on Children, Young People and the Parish Church of
Christ Church, Moreton.**

This statement was agreed at the PCC meeting held on: **13th March 2018**

- It will be read by the PCC members at one PCC meeting each year, where progress in implementing it will be monitored.
- As members of this church, we commit ourselves to the nurturing, protection and safekeeping of all, especially children and young people
- It is the responsibility of each one of us to prevent the physical, sexual and emotional abuse of children and young people and to report any abuse discovered or suspected
- We recognise that our work with children and young people is the responsibility of the whole church
- Our church is committed to supporting, resourcing and training those who work with children and young people and to providing supervision
- Our church is committed to following the guidelines and procedures published by the Diocese
- The parish will adopt good practice guidelines
- Each worker with children and young people must know the guidelines and undertake to follow them. Each shall be given a copy of the Parish's agreed procedures and Good Practice guidelines

As part of our commitment to children and young people, the PCC has appointed **ANGELA HANTON** to be the Child Protection Coordinator.

- Children and Young People are an important part of our Church today
- They have much to give as well as to receive
- We will listen to them
- As we nurture them in worship, learning, and in community life, we will respect the wishes and feelings of Children and Young People.

MISSIONARY SUPPORT

The balance with the money brought forward from 2015 the total amount available for the Missionary Committee to distribute was £6,115.07.

The Missionary Committee prayed for wisdom on the way we should share this money out.

Our Vision Statement was considered and we have used it in ways for:

Making Disciples, Growing Disciples and Being Disciples

Tithe from 2016 giving:

Bible Society	500.00	(Syria Refugees)
MCYC	500.00	
Barnabus Trust	500.00	
Wycliffe Translators	500.00	
Compassion	500.00	
Leprosy Mission	500.00	
Mission Aviation Fellowship	500.00	
Bible Networks	500.00	
Christian Concerns	500.00	
Christian Bookshop	500.00	
Samaritan's Purse	250.00	(Mrs E Hughes)
ARK	250.00	
Simeon's Trustees	100.00	
Foxhill	10.00	

This will leave a small balance for contingency fund.

Merseyside Christian Youth Camps, enable youngsters to have a week's holiday and enjoy having fun and learning about Jesus. The camp is also let out to Church organisations, for weekends away. In the past we have supported new buildings for the girls and in November 2014 we enjoyed our own Church Weekend away there. We have returned in November 2015, after a great weekend.

Barnabas Trust helps persecuted Christians all over the world. Enabling them to have access to Bibles in their own language and to support them with other needs.

Wycliffe Translators they translate the Bible into many thousands of languages to enable people to read the word of God wherever they live in the world.

Compassion works with Christian churches by providing help and support. They provide support to the poor and needy children releasing children from poverty in Jesus' name in all parts of the world. They have 'a sponsor a child' scheme for children to attend school and have an education.

Samaritan's Purse is the organisation that collects and sends out the shoe boxes for children in poorer countries each Christmas. This is a very special gift that we provide for the children all over the world.

Missionary Aviation Fellowship is a scheme where small planes are used to get to otherwise inaccessible places in the world that need medical equipment or a health professional, teaching materials both Christian and secular.

Bible Networks This is a society who gets Bibles and Bible texts to people who live in countries where they are persecuted.

Christian Concerns is a society that fight for the moral rights of Christians to practice their beliefs as written in the Bible and they lobby ministers at government with important issues.

Christian Bookshop is a local bookshop in Birkenhead to help towards keeping the shop open, thus enabling people to buy Christian resources locally.

ARK The ARK is a safe place for homeless people to stay over-night and get a good hot meal. It is based in Birkenhead so it is a locally based charity that we are supporting.

Simeons Trustees This Trust is lots of churches Benefactor, and along with the Parish Council in helping with the appointment of a new Rector whenever the benefice is vacant. This donation helps with the Trustees expenses for all such appointments under their sphere.

Foxhill This is a Conference Centre owned by the Diocese of Chester and we pay an annual donation to help with their administration costs, to keep us informed of any Courses we would like to attend.

Leprosy Mission - 141 years experience in supporting people throughout the world who suffer from Leprosy and the discrimination it brings to enable Leprosy sufferers to have a better quality of life.

Angela Hanton and Eileen Hughes

FABRICS AND BUILDINGS COMMITTEE REPORT

The major task of the FAB committee in 2017 has been the refurbishment of the cafe area of the parish centre. Following an extensive consultation exercise with the group's that use the hall, plans were drawn up for the extension and renovation of the cafe area. These plans were then presented to the PCC and the congregation for final comments. The key stars of the refurbishment were the army of volunteers that gave up their time in August, to first strip the old cafe and then decorate the new space. Their efforts and the money saved in not having to pay commercial decorators, meant that the kitchen and toilets could also be redecorated, resulting in a wonderful new area.

As a result, the church now has a refurbished cafe area that has gained many complements. From Bishop Peter, who officially opened the centre, to guests who hire the hall for events, to those who use it on a regular basis.

This work was made possible by a generous, anonymous gift and a grant from Burbo Bank Extension Community Fund.

In addition to the work in the Parish Centre, the FAB committee continues to perform the endless task of maintaining and repairing the physical structure of the church and associated buildings. Much thanks are to be given to those who give up their Saturday mornings to help with the working parties, opportunistically located between Men's Breakfast and Ladies Lunch.

Ian Stott.

MAKING DISCIPLES, GROWING DISCIPLES AND BEING DISCIPLES

PASTORAL CARE MANAGEMENT TEAM

The pastoral care of the church family within Christ Church and the wider community is an evangelistic and essential part of the family life.

This year had made the team aware of the importance as through bereavement and sickness they have personally received prayer and support during their own stress. It is important that this chain of care is kept open and available at all times.

During the year the team has established a monthly Holy Communion rota for brothers and sisters who were no longer able to attend church. Not only are the team bringing the Word of God to these less fortunate people but they also keep them in contact with the physical life of the church.

The Bereavement Team actively encourage families to retain links with the church as they mourn for loved ones, inviting them to take part in the Annual Commemoration Service held in October.

Apart from the welfare of those in need the team are involved in overseeing the Prayer Chain – T.L.C – Open Church and EVULSION for people with learning difficulties. In times of stress it is important for people to feel they are part of the Church Family, so please help your Pastoral 'Care Management Team by being observant to the needs of others.

Beryl Blackman

OPEN CHURCH PROJECT

From November onwards Open Church has been going through a difficult time with several Guardians being unable to fulfil their duties due to sickness. Prayer has always brought a solution and currently we must thank Mrs Edith Scott. Mr Barry Smith and Mr Raymond Lasnier for helping to keep the Open Church project running.

Since February 2006 many people have come to Open Church for various reasons and found comfort and strength from the quiet and peace of God's House.

This evangelism can at times seem unrewarding but the Guardians are strengthened in the knowledge that people coming have a need to seek God in their own particular way in a time of crisis.

We give thanks to God for the dedication and commitment of the Guardians, and we would ask you "Are you able to help keep this evangelistic tool running by giving a little of your time"? not necessarily on a regular basis but allowing the Guardians to have an occasional free time.

THE COMMUNITY NEEDS OPEN CHURCH. OPEN CHURCH NEEDS YOU.

Beryl Blackman

PRAYER MINISTRY

Philippians 4:7 says, "Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your request to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus."

This is a promise that we are grateful to hold to, and keen to share with others at Christ Church. Prayer Ministry within the Church ranges from pastoral support offered weekly at the end of Sunday services, through the Prayer Chain, to the monthly Prayer Meeting in the Parish Centre. Within these areas we are privileged to support those who come seeking prayer for whatever reason; to be making, growing and being disciples, through the practice and encouragement of praying for one another, and seeing God answer prayer.

Prayer is where we speak back to God, in response to his word to us, and experience what it means to enjoy him for no other purpose than because he is our Father and Creator, worthy of all our praise, and not just a means to getting answers to our needs and requests. Therefore, during 2017, we have once again been intentional in seeking to build up, not just the prayer ministry team, but the prayer life of the parish as a whole.

To this end, during Lent the Church was encouraged to form Prayer Triplets or other partnerships, to meet regularly during that seven-week period to pray for one another, for our Frontlines, for the Church, and for the world. We also rang the changes a little in our monthly prayer meeting, with the usual group meetings being interspersed with those based around prayer stations and also the occasional joint prayer meeting with the Baptist Church. Taking advantage of the newly refurbished coffee bar area has enabled us to spend more time praying in small groups during our regular monthly meetings, which has proved a great encouragement to those who come along.

There have been one or two changes to the Prayer Ministry Team during the past year. To those who have stepped down I extend my sincerest thanks for your faithful service, and to those who have joined us, may the Lord bless your ministry. I am grateful for the faithful

commitment of the whole team over the past year, and encourage you to be praying for them as they continue in this ministry.

God is calling all His people to prayer, because he has so much that he longs to bring about in us and through us, both at Christ Church, and in the local community. Having seen him at work this year through prayer, will you meet him there again in 2018?

Debbi Stott

EVULSION - LATE ADULT TRAINING CENTRE MORETON

Our involvement with the service users at Evulsion Centre has diminished with the reorganisation of Social Services, however we do have three volunteers on a regular basis. The small group of service users helping to keep the grave yard tidy has been withdrawn due to staff shortage. Although our involvement is limited the three service users and their carers are very grateful to Christ Church for providing this opportunity for them to work within the community.

Beryl Blackman

FOODBANK

From 1st Jan 2017 to 31st December 2017 we have fed a total of 222 children and 492 adults, a total of 714 people, the total number of people fed has decreased by 81 people compared to last year, we distributed 6361 Kgs of food, these figures show how much we need the foodbank here in Moreton. The Wirral Food Bank fed a total of 11,290 in 2017. The foodbank is a great example of our mission statement, Making Disciples, Growing Disciples and Being Disciples, the foodbank is run by both church members and non-church members, this is a great opportunity for us to spend time together in fellowship with each other whilst serving the Lord by helping people in our local community. We are given an opportunity to speak to clients, pray with them on occasion and invite them to services, this maybe the first time in many years some of the clients have been in a church building so its great that we can welcome them and show them Gods love.

We are continuing to issue clients with N.Power vouchers of £49.00 in winter and £30.00 in summer, these vouchers are offered to clients who have a pre-paid meter in their home, clients are usually allowed up to three N Power vouchers, forms are completed by a member of the foodbank team and then given to Matt Turner who enters them directly onto the Npower website, we would like to thank Matt for his continued help in this important role.

We would also like to say a special thanks to Sheila Farrington who does a fantastic Job of putting the food order away every week and keeping the shelves stocked up.

We have a great team of 30 people, We have welcomed a few new members onto the team, people who meet the foodbank team often express how friendly and welcoming the

team are, we would like to thank them for all their hard work and dedication throughout the year, it would not be possible to run the foodbank without you, we all make a great team, we would also like to say a big thank you to the committed volunteers that have had to leave the foodbank this year due to ill health or other circumstances.

We would like to ask everyone to continue to pray for the foodbank, pray for protection for the team, pray for good health, pray for wisdom and understanding when dealing with customers and pray most of all that people will see the love of the lord through us and be drawn to him.

God Bless

Jane Fisher & Mandy Smith

FAMILY PACK PROJECT

We began the Family Pack Project in October 2013 in order to reach out to disadvantaged families in our community who are unable to afford the basic essentials. We give vouchers to the various agencies who work with these families, such as local schools, health visitors, medical centres and Early Years centres. The voucher holders give out the vouchers to the families in need who bring them along to our Family Pack Day in order to claim their pack.

The packs contain basic essentials such as washing powder, washing liquid, toilet rolls, shampoo, soap, toothpaste and toothbrushes. There are also baby packs if there is a very young child in the family which contain nappies and wipes. We also include information about church activities and a publication containing information about the gospel. When the families come to the Parish Centre to collect their pack they are also able to choose children's clothing as well as toys and bedding. In our March project we include a booklet for the children about Easter and an Easter egg. Refreshments are provided and in the summer there is a free BBQ and extra activities for the children. At Christmas we provide hampers for each family who attends.

This year we have provided craft activities at the Family Pack Day which have been extremely popular with the children.

In November we invited the families to a Family Fun Day and shared lunch on the Sunday after the Family Pack Day. This was well attended and very appreciated by the families. We hope to be able to continue this.

We have had very positive feedback from the families and the voucher holders and over the last year have held 3 Family Pack Days. We have helped 62 families including 92 adults and 140 children over the last year. This is less than last year but we have found that having fewer families has meant that we have been able to spend more time with them and give them greater support.

Wirral Debt advice attend the Family Pack Days to give advice where needed to the families.

We have had new toys donated by Radio City over the last year and we received money from the Co-op who had named us as one of their charities. We also received another large donation from a local person who was finishing a charitable project and wished to donate the remainder of the funds to a local concern which supported the community in Moreton. We also organised a bag pack in Morrisons. These donations have enabled us to continue to resource the project.

We have a wonderful team of people from church who help us on the Family Pack Days and also when we need to sort our stock. We are very blessed to have them and thank them for their continued and valuable help, without which we could not operate the project. It has also been good to see people from outside the church who have been willing to help make this project successful.

We thank God for the way he has helped us to resource this project, through financial grants and everyone's generosity. It has enabled us to show God's love to the people in our community who are struggling and often forgotten. The Family Pack enables us to be God's disciples through reaching out to those who are disadvantaged and hopefully encourages those who work with us on the project but are outside the church family to learn more about Him.

Clair Culligan and Jane Fisher

TLC

Tea, Listening and Chat is now celebrates it's 10th Birthday, the team consists of 4 members of the team and we have roughly 20 people joining us on a Monday afternoon between 1 pm and 3 pm. The team although small work extremely well together and all bring their great talents.

The format has not changed we have tea, coffee and cakes each week with donations welcomed to cover costs. There is a time to socialise, a time for private listening, prayer is available for anyone who requests it and we have a quiz, which includes everyone and offers all a chance to shine. We are grateful to have our Curate Jeremy Bentliff to join us each week. We finish our time together with prayer and have a TLC prayer, which we all know.

We had a break over the summer when the parish centre was refurbished and all our members appreciate the coffee area and hard work that went into this.

We invited members to join in with the men's breakfast, ladies lunch, Christmas lunch and last year a few joined the Christmas choir and enjoy taking part in the church activities.

We as a church are showing compassion to the community of Moreton and show Gods love for them, being disciples in the local area and breaking the barrier of people's perception of church.

Bar Nelson

WORK WITH CHILDREN/FAMILIES

S.O.S.

S.O.S. meets on Tuesdays during term times. It is an informal time which is open to any children with their parents / carers. We meet after school; on arrival the children enjoy themselves and let off steam by playing games, while the parents / carers have a drink and a time to chat. We have seen new families joining us, but others have left. Most weeks we still have an average of 15 children, along with their parents / carers.

We are Making Disciples because many of the children and parents who come have no other contact with church, and we seek to introduce them to Jesus through the Bible story and teaching. S.O.S. welcomes all children with their parents / carers to join us at any time.

We are Growing Disciples because some of the children who come do have a faith, and we want to help them to grow in that. This is especially important for those who don't come to Sunday Club etc.

We are Being Disciples because in order to run S.O.S. some of those who come have stepped into helping lead, either by organising food, or helping with a small group. We have been delighted that Kat has joined Christ Church and has started developing S.O.S and getting new people involved.

Gwen Cousins & Lynda Jones

TODDLER GROUP

Toddler group is an important link with the community. It has been important to me to show my beliefs through my words and actions within the group and pray that the Lord uses me to show others the way.

- Each week we sing a song carrying the message of Jesus. Occasionally the craft is related to biblical stories such as Noah's Ark and we put out colouring sheets with bible verses on. On occasion, Rev. Graham Cousins, Rev. Debbi Stott and our curate Rev. Jeremy Bentliff come in to sing with the children and tell them bible stories and at Christmas we had a Toddler Group service of our own.
- The parents/carers are invited to special events and services at church such as the Christingle, Christmas and Easter services. A few did attend the Christingle service this year and others donated shoe boxes and items via the toddler group.
- The weekly newsletters and other church related pamphlets on the groups and events that are run are readily available on the desk where they sign in & pay.
- At Easter, the children are given treat baskets on which 'Jesus is Alive' is printed and at Christmas, books of the Christmas story are handed out as presents.

Children from 0-pre-school age are welcome. Most of the children who come are aged between 6 months and 3 years old, (we have had an increase in babies due to their parents

bringing their older siblings to the group.) The majority of children arrive with mums or grandmothers but occasionally we have a few dads & child minders and two child minders that come regularly. Although these figures fluctuate from term to term Tuesdays seem to be busier with an average of 16–25, although attendance to the Monday session has increased overall with roughly 12-20 children each week.

The new tea bar has created a more welcoming atmosphere and all comments made by parents and/or carers have been positive. The hall is smaller and the layout needed to be changed around, but this has proved to be a better use of the space and has not affected the children's enjoyment.

Thanks to everyone who helps at Toddler group and in the tea bar, their help is invaluable.

The prayer and support given from the church and its members is very much appreciated. Please continue to pray that we serve the Lord well by showing His Love and sharing His Word with all those who come to the group and pray that we have the helpers we need for Toddler Group to keep running. Thank you.

Alison Entwistle

SUNDAY CLUB

Sunday Clubs meet on Sundays during term time, and have up to 12 children and young people most Sundays, ranging from 3-11 years old. We are grateful to God for these children, as many churches have virtually no children's work. But having them does put a big responsibility on us as a church to teach and nurture them. We have welcomed Kat as our Children and Families worker, and she has encouraged new people to help with leading Sunday Club.

Our main role is to be Growing Disciples – the children who attend do mostly have a real faith in Jesus and we want to nurture them in that. We do this by teaching the children Bible Stories, and how to put the teaching of the Bible into practice in their everyday lives. Most of our children come from church families, but we do welcome those whose families otherwise have little contact with church.

We have been pleased to see some of our children getting involved in the 10.45 am service – reading the Bible, leading the prayers, playing in the music group and helping with the sound system. It is good to see our children Being Disciples in those ways. Helping in Sunday Club is a great way of Being Disciples – maybe that is something for you to consider.

Gwen Cousins

ARTS AND CRAFTS

CRAFT CLUB

Craft club is picking up again as two new people have joined. Not much news, would love more people to come to share ideas, have a hot drink and natter.

Yours in Christ, Pauline Williams

BUILDING THE CHURCH – OUTREACH & DISCIPLESHIP

HOME GROUPS

The home groups are still very much about growing disciples and we have all been learning, through the studies that Graham has kindly prepared. The studies focus on different aspects of God's word and group members appreciate each other's thoughts and questions.

Home groups meet at a set time and place, some groups on Tuesday afternoon's, others on Tuesday night's and others on Wednesday nights. It is a time for study and prayer in smaller groups and encourages everyone to act on the teachings in the following week and encourages prayer.

Thank you to the leaders of the home groups for your role in these groups and all members know that they are growing and being disciples within the groups. Bless you as you serve the Lord.

Carol Allen

MOTHERS AND OTHERS

Meet every Friday morning, we have three new members making nine crazy ladies. I am amazed at how fast we have all gelled. It has been a busy year as we have been to see a few shows with a meal and went to Peel Hey for a Christmas meal. By showing Christ's love to one another we are growing disciples.

Yours in Christ, Pauline Williams

MEN'S BREAKFAST

Men's breakfast continues to be an important part of men's fellowship here at Christ Church. We have been holding our men's breakfast now since 2009, we meet on the 3rd Saturday of each month and enjoy a rather traditional full English breakfast, fellowship and a short talk. The continued success of Men's breakfast comes out of our vision of Growing Disciples. Each month we have maintained our numbers averaging between 20 and 25 each month, this includes our regular visitors from Moreton Baptist church, we have a couple of regular men who are not church members but enjoy attending the breakfast each month. In 2017 we had a break from our usual talks and a number of men shared their testimony also linking this to whom they consider they might be like in the bible. For the latter part of 2017 and into 2018 we have been following a series called Men Behaving Badly in the Bible. This looks at some of the men in the Bible and how they have behaved during their time, this has been a very well received topic so far.

We continue to be blessed with a great team of people who prepare the food so thanks to Tommy, Terry and George who help prepare and cook the breakfast each month.

Steve Smith

LADIES LUNCH

Ladies lunch is held in Christ Church parish centre, the third Saturday of the month, taking a break at Easter, Summer and Christmas. We have women who attend, from Christchurch, the Baptist church, TLC and friends we invite. All ladies are welcome to join us.

We serve beverages from 12 noon and have an 'afternoon tea' style lunch at 12:30. It's been so good to meet in our new 'drop in' area, really warm and inviting. A great place to be able to relax and have a chat. After lunch we have a speaker and question time, finishing with prayer and an opportunity for private prayer with members of Christchurch Ministry team.

Our speakers share with us about their own journey with Jesus, sharing with us the sad and difficult as well as the happy times.

This last year, amongst other speakers, we have had our new Children's worker, Kat come to share with us her experiences in India and Heather McLeod, Pastor of St John's Hospice, telling us about her work there.

Our talks are to encourage us, to hear how other women cope, to build our faith, to inspire us and to remind us how precious it is to have a personal relationship with our Lord Jesus Christ.

It's a time to get to know new people and to deepen friendships. It's a great place to invite women who don't yet come along to church, it's relaxed, informal and a wonderful opportunity to share the good news of Jesus.

Thank you to our faithful band of helpers who lovingly prepare lunch and clear away, extra hands always welcome.

Sheila Farrington

CHRIST CHURCH CE PRIMARY SCHOOL, MORETON

ANNUAL REPORT 2017

We have had a focus on mental health and wellbeing this year to develop our resilience and self-esteem in particular. The clergy team have supported us to look at activities from World Faiths that are often used to support achieving calm and consider these in terms of Christianity. Rev. Cousins led a joint staff meeting with the Headteacher and provided an opportunity for open discussion about Christian reflection and how this differs from other beliefs. This was very beneficial and assisted our understanding whilst also enabling us to think deeply about how we can support our pupil's spiritual, mental and emotional needs. We are now in the process of writing our own guide entitled: "Stretch, Reflect and Respond; A Christian Approach to Wellbeing". Chester Diocese and several schools have expressed an interest in this work as we all strive to support our communities in an increasingly frenetic world.

Governors and school leaders have been engaged in due diligence activities with Chester Diocese Academy Trust. After holding open community consultation activities during the summer we have completed standards, buildings, land and financial checks; the results of which will be presented to the Full Governing Body meeting in March. Governors will then consider the best way forwards to secure the school's place in the community for the future. We continue to work with Church of England Schools across Wirral and are part of clusters for school leadership, English, Maths, RE, Early Years and SEND (Special Educational Needs and Disabilities). In addition we are working across the diocese to share best practice in work with disadvantaged pupils. The links with CDAT (Chester Diocesan Academies Trust) schools have provided opportunities to extend our learning by accessing training and briefings. The Headteacher has worked as part of the Diocese School Improvement team, completing training in reviewing Church schools' standards and delivering professional development sessions for school leaders and teachers.

We have again enjoyed participating in CPAS (Church Pastoral Aid Charity) ventures with ten Year 5 children this year. The Headteacher and RE leader had a fantastic weekend at Quinta in Shropshire, where the children accessed a range of team activities and Bible study. When asked what was their favourite part of the weekend was, children responded with:

'We made new friends'

'Learning that God is three people –Father, Son and the Holy Spirit.'

'Bushcraft, water games and hunt the leader.'

'Learning more about Bible stories.'

'Film, marshmallows and rain!'

The children and adults returned tired but happy from this fun, spiritual experience and have begun reunion activities with friends from other CE schools who attended. This follow up is particularly important so that children see themselves as part of a larger Christian family and form friendships which may move forward with them into secondary education.

Experience Harvest has assisted our continued development of reflection and prayer; children learnt about the different types of harvesting, listening to passages from the Bible and taking part in Harvest prayers.

They took part in 5 different harvest experiences. During Harvest of the Ocean the children made a paper plate fish or an origami boat. They tasted different types of bread during Harvest of the Grain, clay pots were made to represent Harvest of the Earth. For Harvest of the Flocks the children used wool to thread or plait making their own bookmark and finally all the children planted their own bean for Harvest of the Garden. The church team provided further learning opportunities for children at Christmas time when each year group visited Church during Advent to listen to readings about the Christmas story. It was a wonderful experience sitting in the church wrapped up warm in our hats, scarves, gloves and coats listening to the story of the birth of Jesus. The children took part in a question and answer session linked to the Christmas story and the role of the Church. A magical time was had by all the children and adults and we are grateful for the support given to us to provide this.

We have appointed a child and Family Mentor this year. As well as providing direct support for pupils and families in school, she has been involved in two Family Pack days at Christchurch, giving out vouchers where needed and attending, to support the church, meet with families and help on stalls. She is strengthening links with the Church and developing a working relationship with the Church Family Worker to consider ways to work together to support our families. They have both attended parenting courses which they feel will complement each other and considering how they can work together to deliver these to families.

Over the Autumn term we have supported local and National charities by fund raising the following amounts:

Poppy Appeal—£162.15

Children in Need - £241.45

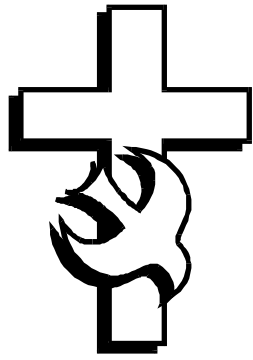
Save the Children—£211

We enjoyed supporting the church's Operation Christmas Child Shoe Box Appeal and attending the Christingle service to hand over our shoeboxes. The service was a lovely opportunity for local families to come together in church and begin preparations for Christmas; the children enjoyed receiving their oranges which represent God's world decorated with sweets and fruits to show the good things we are given in the four seasons of the year and a to signify Jesus giving His life for us.

Our Head boy, Head girl and their deputies went into the community to deliver some Christmas cheer in our community. They made us very proud acting as ambassadors for our school; wishing our Moreton neighbours a very Merry Christmas from all the staff and children at Christ Church C of E School.



Amanda Donelan



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Annual Accounts

For the year ended

31st December 2017

Christ Church Moreton Balance Sheet

Dec-16	Fixed Assets	Dec-17
£300,000.00	Parish centre	£300,000.00
£300,000.00		£300,000.00
	Current Assets	
£6,720.73	CAF Deposit account	£14,564.69
£3,643.40	Santander current account	£10,838.07
£6,220.95	CAF Current account	(£1,915.83)
£60,481.87	CAF/Shawtrust 60 day account	£45,929.55
£204.52	Flower fund	£55.62
£100.00	cash floats - housekeeping	£100.00
£75.76	TLC Cash	£30.58
£103.62	Petty cash	£151.29
£5,635.50	Gift Aid reclaim	£6,583.49
(£6.00)	Funeral Fees Debtors	£268.00
£ -	Funeral Fee Write off provision	£0.00
£795.00	Newton Way deposit	£795.00
£1,798.80	Prepayments	£1,772.48
£85,774.15		£79,172.94
	Current Liabilities	
£180.00	Wedding fees rec'd	£260.00
£355.80	Fees owed	£258.20
£537.20	Diocese fees owed	£432.80
£ -	Shortfall in Parish Share 2017	£8,835.00
£569.17	Accruals	£152.34
£506.04	British Gas	£430.58
£240.96	British Gas Electricity	£544.16
£2,389.17		£10,913.08
	Long term Liabilities	
£ -		£0.00
£ -		£0.00
£383,384.98	Balance of funds (Main Account)	£368,259.86
£312,671.24	Balance of unrestricted funds	£310,735.78
£21,384.47	Balance of funds (Restricted)	£16,467.80
£3,651.87	Balance of funds (Family pack)	£4,729.08
£45,677.40	Balance of funds (Designated)	£36,327.20
£383,384.98	TOTAL BALANCE OF FUNDS	£368,259.86
£0.00	check	£0.00
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Christ Church Moreton Accounts

2016		2017
	INCOME	
£50,865.75	Planned Giving	£51,696.60
£7,170.17	Cash collections	£6,801.40
£10,688.53	Income tax refunds	£11,417.72
£2,892.74	Donations	£2,134.47
£1,840.00	Hall Hire	£2,805.00
£73,457.19		£74,855.19
£516.67	Bank Interest	£451.64
£4,906.80	Funeral Fees	£3,795.40
£1,671.00	Wedding Fees	£2,099.00
£26.00	Baptism	£26.00
£633.65	The Tea Bar	£675.57
£1,567.33	Toddlers	£1,810.44
£ -	SOS	£66.20
£509.26	Mens Breakfast	£603.50
£221.47	Family Breakfast	£320.39
£450.60	Ladies Lunch	£300.79
£120.00	Open Church	£100.00
£506.77	TLC	£444.78
£809.81	Events	£630.05
£ -		£ -
£85,396.55	TOTAL INCOME	£86,178.95
	EXPENDITURE	
£49,606.92	Parish Share	£50,835.00
£1,008.63	Rector Expenses and Phone	£826.72
£2,075.02	Rector House costs	£2,131.11
£247.75	Curate Expenses and Phone	£333.08
£857.31	Curate House costs	£1,939.36
£2,376.07	Church Utilities	£1,495.58
£173.16	Church Water and cleaning	£188.86
£3,094.92	Church Insurance	£3,037.57
£288.20	Church repairs and Maint	£ -
£587.81	Service expense	£358.82
£ -	Training	£ -
£232.45	Shine/Childrens work	£340.64
£93.91	Flowers, publicity, Decoration	£134.35
£23.85	Mazagine inserts	£33.84
£464.80	Copyright Licences	£471.38
£173.16	Churchyard water	£188.86
£2,176.43	Gardening and waste collection	£1,526.32
£3,389.59	Parish centre Utilities	£2,887.71
£391.54	Parish centre water	£333.12

Christ Church Moreton Accounts

2016		2017
£2,246.40	Parish centre cleaner/cleaning	£2,316.60
£919.78	Parish centre repairs and maint	£1,236.74
£1,545.87	Parish centre insurance	£1,590.93
£245.30	Cleaning	£290.61
£415.22	Food for centre	£613.28
£4,961.80	Office wages	£5,791.50
£1,249.13	Office stationery and computer	£942.50
£573.76	Office telephone	£378.54
£276.86	Office petty cash and general expense	£226.83
£50.00	Donations	£ -
£130.93	Toddlers	£169.07
£332.78	Mens breakfast	£376.43
£261.84	Ladies Lunch	£214.73
£29.78	Family Breakfast	£172.44
£239.91	TLC	£239.96
£10.00	Bank charges	£60.00
£8.86	Costs from Restricted funds account	£ -
£ -	Foodbank support	£ -
£35.00	Christ Church School expenses	£ -
£1,530.34	Events	£582.13
		£ -
		£ -
		£ -
		£ -
		£ -
		£ -
£82,325.08	TOTAL EXPENDITURE	£82,264.61
	Account Transfers	
£5,803.59	Tithe	£5,849.80
£ -	Amend parish share to balance books	£ -
(£2,732.12)	Balance for month	(£1,935.46)
(£52.54)	Weekly under/(Overspend)	(£37.22)
£315,403.37	Opening Balance	£312,671.24
£85,396.55	Income for the year	£86,178.95
£82,325.08	Expenditure for the year	£82,264.61
£5,803.59	Account transfers	£5,849.80
£312,671.25	Balance of funds (Main Account)	£310,735.78

Restricted fund account

2016	INCOME	2017
£295.00	150th Anniversary	£ -
£ -	150th Gift Aid	£ -
£2,000.00	Children and families worker	£7,820.75
£555.39	Flowers	£333.90
£184.45	Foodbank	£48.04
£194.50	Tearfund	£145.60
£ -	missions	£553.65
£198.16	Queen Books	£ -
£253.07	Lent Lunch	£250.00
£104.00	Passover meal	£ -
£99.31	Leprosy Mission	£ -
£32.20	Shoeboxes	£69.85
£150.00	Smart Cooking	£ -
£258.30	Through faith Missions	£ -
£23.00	Ipusikilo	£ -
£100.00	Music Group	£ -
£ -	Gardening	£10.00
£50.00	Hope Moreton	£ -
£152.00	Christian Aid	£81.00
£286.51	Christmas card	£314.50
£170.00	Church weekend	£1,655.00
£ -	Parish centre development	£9,000.00
£192.26	through income	£355.66
£ -		£ -

£5,298.15	TOTAL INCOME	£20,637.95
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EXPENDITURE

£7,947.62	150th Anniversary	£ -
£349.70	Flowers	£377.66
£16.00	Foodbank	£100.00
£158.44	Big christmas card	£281.51
£8.60	Tearfund	£194.50
£ -	Ipusikilo	£23.00
£198.16	Queen Books	£ -
£253.07	Lent Lunch	£111.61
£81.78	Smart Cooking	£ -
£300.00	Evangelism	£ -
£99.31	Leprosy Mission	£ -
£104.00	Passover meal	£ -
£ -	Parish centre re-development	£21,187.51
£ -	Children and families worker	£1,250.00
£258.30	Through Faith Missions	£ -
£ -		£ -
£100.00	Music group	£ -
(£97.07)	Church Weekend	£1,545.04
£5,415.32		£ -
£ -		£ -
£32.20	Shoeboxes	£50.00
£192.26	Through costs	£350.79
£150.00	Christian Aid	£83.00

£15,567.69	TOTAL EXPENDITURE	£25,554.62
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£31,654.01	Opening balance	£21,384.47
£5,298.15	Family pack	
	Income for the year	£20,637.95
£15,567.69	Expenditure for the year	£25,554.62

£21,384.47	Balance of funds	£16,467.80
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Family pack accounts

2016	INCOME	2017
£1,833.00	General donations	£4,440.64
£ -	Grants	£ -
£136.62	Easter Eggs	£ -
£ -		£ -
£164.22	Events	£ -
£219.40	Hampers	£126.11
£ -		£ -
£ -		£ -
£ -		£ -
£ -		£ -
£ -		£ -
£2,353.24	TOTAL INCOME	£4,566.75
	EXPENDITURE	
£373.60	Clothes	£809.54
£461.57	Personal Hygiene	£284.62
£94.38	Linens	£722.81
£42.30	General expense	£809.40
£ -	Printing	£75.00
£30.00	toys and stationery items	£166.47
£241.00	Christian Material	£132.50
£163.79	Events	£321.45
£182.17	Hampers	£167.75
£ -		£ -
£ -		£ -
£1,754.41	TOTAL EXPENDITURE	£3,489.54
£3,053.04	Opening balance	£3,651.87
£2,353.24	Income for the year	£4,566.75
£1,754.41	Expenditure for the year	£3,489.54
£3,651.87	Balance of funds	£4,729.08

Designated Funds account

2016	INCOME	2017
£5,803.60	Missionary fund	£5,849.80
£5,803.60	TOTAL INCOME	£5,849.80
	EXPENDITURE	
£7,360.00	Missionary payments	£5,660.00
£5,565.00	Newton Way rent	£9,540.00
£12,925.00	TOTAL EXPENDITURE	£15,200.00
£52,798.81	Opening balance	£45,677.40
£5,803.60	Income for the year	£5,849.80
£12,925.00	Expenditure for the year	£15,200.00
£45,677.40	Balance of funds	£36,327.20

Independent examiner's report on the accounts



**CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES**

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Parochial Church Council of the
Ecclesiastical Parish of Christ Church merton

**On accounts for the year
ended**

Dec 2017

**Charity no
(if any)**

1152051

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**Respective
responsibilities of
trustees and 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 144 of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Charities Act") and that an independent examination is needed. [The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of [named body]]. *Delete [] if not applicable.*

It is my responsibility to:

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

**Basis of independent
examiner's statement**

My examination was carried out in accordance with 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 the 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
examiner's statement**

In connection with my examination, no material matters have come to my attention (other than that disclosed below *) which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed: Diane Topping ACA Date: 08/03/18

Name: DIANE TOPPING

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

CHARTERED ACCOUNTANT

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Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of
any items that the
examiner wishes to
disclose.

NONE