CHARITY REFERENCE NUMBER SC 023273

HOLY TRINITY SCOTTISH EPISCOPAL CHURCH, MOTHERWELL

ACCOUNTS FOR YEAR ENDED

30 SEPTEMBER, 2025.

Holy Trinity Scottish Episcopal Church, Motherwell.

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Charity Trustees – members of the Vestry

NAME	POSITION	STATUS	FROM YEAR
Anne Stirling		Constituent	2022
Jim O'Hara	Rector's Warden	*ex officio*	2019
Willie Floyd	People's Warden	*ex officio*	2019
Phyllis Hands	Secretary & Lay Rep	*ex officio*	2019
John Stirling	Treasurer	Constituent	2022 – 2023
Ken Kennedy		Constituent	2021
Hazel O'Hara	Alt Lay Rep	Constituent	2023 – 2024
Ian Riddell		Constituent	2023 – 2024
Ernie Holloway		Constituent	2019

Independent Examiner

Mr Jim Gibson, 44 Aytoun Road, Pollokshields, G41 5HN.

Banker

Bank of Scotland, 32 Brandon Parade South, Motherwell. ML1 1UW.

Church Address/Principal Office

Crawford Street, Motherwell. ML1 3AD

Holy Trinity Scottish Episcopal Church Report year ended 30th September, 2025.

The members of the Vestry present their annual report together with the financial statements for the year ended 30 September, 2025 at the general meeting held on 21st December, 2025.

Structure and governance

In terms of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities (Scotland) Regulations 2006, the Vestry reports to the congregation as follows:

1. Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, Motherwell, is a registered Scottish Charity (SC 023273).
2. It is a member of the Diocese of Glasgow and Galloway of the Scottish Episcopal Church.
3. The Superior Authority is the Bishop of Glasgow and Galloway – Right Reverend Nicholas Bundock, from 4th May, 2025.
4. All of its affairs are governed by the Vestry.

Appointment of Vestry members

Vestry members are elected or appointed by Annual General Meeting established by constitution and under the Canon Law of the Scottish Episcopal Church. There is no formal induction programme but on-going guidance is given to ensure that Vestry members are familiar with the Church's values, aims and responsibilities as the designated trustees of a charity.

Administrative Structure

It is the duty of the Vestry to manage the temporal affairs of the congregation with responsibility to keep the fabric and property of the Church and other buildings in good working order and to look after the finances of the Church.

Statement of Risk

The Vestry keeps under review the major risks to which the Church is exposed and has established procedures to mitigate any risks identified.

Charitable Objectives and Activities

The Church's principal activities include provision of acts of public worship in word, sacrament and prayer, Christian education, charitable work and fundraising for local, national and international needs, the outward looking mission of the Church is to better serve the needs of the local community.

Volunteers The Vestry is grateful for the time freely given by volunteers, without whom many of the activities would be unable to operate.

Achievements and performance The Church continues to make limited facilities available for use and provides access and worship for the whole community.

Reserves The Vestry has adopted a policy of trying to maintain a level of unrestricted reserves such that, in the event of a significant drop in income, the Church would be able to maintain its current level of activities for a reasonable period until replacement funding is obtained.

Statement of the Vestry Members' responsibilities

The members of the vestry must prepare financial statements, which give sufficient detail to enable an appreciation of the transactions of the Church during the financial year. The members of the Vestry are responsible for keeping proper accounting records, which, on request, must reflect the current financial position of the Church at that time. This must be done to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Church and must take reasonable steps for the prevention and/or detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Holy Trinity Scottish Episcopal Church, Motherwell.
Receipts and Payments Account
Year Ending 30 September, 2025.

Receipts	2025	**Notes**	2024
Voluntary Income:			
Pledged giving	£16,982.70		£18,776.35
Open Plate	835.10		1,260.02
Bronze collection	45.61		47.63
Tax Reclaimed -Gift aid	9429.60		0.00
Personal donations	0.00		10.00
Weddings/Funerals/Baptisms	0.00		100.00
Receipts from Investments			
Investment income SEC Unit Trust Pool)	3,602.61	8	3,165.93
Bank interest	208.79		183.95
Gross receipts from other charitable activities			
For use of premises	555.00		0.00
Memorial tree, Magazine box & books	3.00		4.00
50/50 Club	1055.00		447.00
Votive candles	373.35		356.34
Sunday & Wednesday coffee	968.23		1,102.72
Lent Appeal	0.00		0.00
ChristianAid	0.00		201.00
Poppy Collection	22.00		0.00
Grants Received			
Cares (refund of Architect & Engin fees)	0.00		5,779.00
Benefact	0.00		0.00
Stipend and travel augmentation	0.00		0.00
Contribution from St Andrew's	600.00	6	3,600.00
Miscellaneous		9	
Bank re complaints	0.00		100.00
Diocesan refund	0.00		230.00
VAT refund	418.50		592.00
British Gas refund	0.00		1,723.17
Unidentified income	0.00		445.88
Refund of cancelled Direct Debit	346.20		0.00
Total Receipts	35,442.69		38,124.99

Payments for charitable activities		2025	Notes	2024
	Deputising fees	5,540.55	4	4,519.65
	Diocesan Quota	3,025.20		2,613.00
Insurances				
	Church buildings	2,435.69		2,658.95
	Rectory	2,667.31		2,108.95
	Security system	687.00		975.78
	Fire extinguishers	233.10		301.50
Maintenance				
	Church buildings	6,784.67	5	1,763.64
	Rectory	740.00		1,023.00
Heating/Light/Water				
	Church buildings	3,346.20	5	2,806.22
	Rectory	1,323.50		1,104.63
Administrative expenses				
	Altar Requisites	367.48		309.62
	Literature	0.00		121.62
	Stationery	0.00		0.00
	Photocopier	0.00		54.00
	Pledge envelopes	121.14		131.83
	Printing	0.00		27.27
	Bank charges	32.80		0.00
Other expenses				
	Presentations/Donations/Gratuities	235.00	7	275.00
	Lent Appeal	0.00		0.00
	Poppy Scotland	0.00		100.00
	North Lanarkshire Lottery fee	20.00		20.00
	SEI Training	0.00		55.00
	Hire of dehumidifiers for Rectory	0.00		199.20
	Outlays re titles and valuation of Rectory	0.00		222.00
	Miscellaneous	241.00	9	0.00
Project				
	Refund of Benefact grant	0.00		3,900.00
Diocese	Payment to balance underpayment	0.00		930.00
Governance costs				
	Independent Examiner's fee	450.00		270.00
Total Payments		28250.64		£26,490.86
(Deficit)/Surplus for year		£7,192.05		

Holy Trinity Scottish Episcopal Church, Motherwell.

Statement of Balances as at 30th September, 2025

	2025	2024
	£	**£**
GENERAL FUND		
Bank and cash in hand		
Opening balances		
Bank of Scotland Current Account	1,623.53	7,192.94
Bank of Scotland Savings Account	22,436.64	5,233.10
	24,060.17	**12,426.04**
Deficit/Surplus for year	**7,192.05**	**11,634.13**
Closing balances		
Bank of Scotland Current Account	1,608.79	7,192.94
Bank of Scotland Savings Account	29,645.43	5,233.10
	31,254.22	**12,426.04**
INVESTMENTS		
Scottish Episcopal Church Unit Trust Pool		(3,639 units)
Market value at start of year	111,010.24	96332.34
Unrealised gain/loss	10,219.04	14,677.90
Market value at end of year	121,229.28	111,010.24
TOTAL FUNDS	**152,483.50**	**135,070.41**

All funds are unrestricted

SEE Note 10.

Approved by the Vestry on 22nd January, 2026.

John M Stirling

John M. Stirling.
Treasurer

Acting Rector/~~Chairman~~

Holy Trinity Scottish Episcopal Church, Motherwell.

Notes to Accounts for year ended 30 September, 2025.

1. Accounting Policies
The preparation of the accounts has been on a receipts and payments basis. They consist of a summary of money received and paid via the bank and in cash by the Church during the financial year, along with a statement of balances. No allowance has been made for any expenses incurred but not yet paid at the year end.

2. Funds
There are no restricted funds. The General Fund supports the work of the Church as well as funding property repair and maintenance.

3. Special Collection
The only special collection during the year was for Christian Aid.

4. Trustee Expenses
None of the elected Vestry members received any remuneration or expenses relating to their position as Vestry members. Deputising Fees for visiting clergy taking services during our "vacancy" are also included among the items of expenditure. Their travelling expenses form part of the total figure for that item.

5. Property
a) The church and vestry hall are not shown in the Statement of Balances as the Vestry believes it is not possible to put a material value on them. The valuation of the buildings for insurance purposes is £6,650,000 for the church & communicating vestry hall plus contents. The vestry also had responsibility to maintain the former Rectory, but we have been told that was sold by the Diocese before the year-end.

b) Expenses incurred in the operation, repair and maintenance of the properties are as indicated below:

Church Heat & Light	£3,000.00
Church Maintenance	6,384.67
Rectory Heat & Light	1,323.50
Rectory Maintenance	500.00
Total	£11,208.17

6. Linked Charge
Holy Trinity is a linked charge with St Andrew's, Wishaw, and the normal arrangement is that our congregation was responsible for two thirds of clergy, rectory and certain other associated administration/ expenses. This has been accepted as £600.00.

7. Presentations/Donations/Gratuities
Two hundred and ten pounds was collected and paid to Christian Aid and Twenty five pounds was granted to the Scottish Servers Society.

8. Investments
In addition to having received income of £3,602.61 generated by them during this financial year, the funds originally invested during 2015 in the Scottish Episcopal Church Unit Trust Pool, because of stock market/

fluctuations, have shown an unrealised gain of £10,219.04 during the current financial year and their market value at 30 September 2025 stood at £121,229.28.

Bank interest of £208.79 has been paid by the Bank of Scotland on the fluctuating sum in the Savings Account (£29,645.43 at 30th September, 2025).

9. Miscellaneous

1. Miscellaneous expenses relate to cleaning materials, tea and coffee for after service refreshments and include the Court fee for lodging an action against the insurers of the church building.
2. The Vestry has been informed the Rectory has been sold. Although we have been told the Rectory has been sold, we were not privy to the terms of sale. In particular we have not been advised about the joint vehicular access to the Rectory and Church and whether we have any rights in connection therewith.
3. The sale proceeds were paid to the Diocese. We are informed that we have been debited with certain expenses (£5,855.08) above and beyond the expenses of sale (c.£10,000). There has been an indication that the proceeds of sale after deduction of the other expenses aforementioned have been invested by the Diocese with a view to making provision for the accommodation of future ministers at Holy Trinity.

10. Provisions.

The closing balance shown at credit our Bank "Savings Account" is £29,645. However, contracts have been entered into in July with Andrew Park and Sons Ltd for two matters.

1) Raising the (sinking) floor in the Sacristy and repairing the steps to the boiler-room all for a total cost of £8,442.

2) General inspection and overhaul of the Church roof at the total sum of £4,794.

Additionally, we have been in dispute for many, many months with EDF, our electricity suppliers. Despite numerous requests by telephone, email and Royal Mail to supply us with details of our electricity consumption, the cost thereof, the cost of standing charges and the balance due to them after deducting the £3,000 paid to account, the requests have been ignored and we are no wiser. It is likely that a further sum will be due to them. I would suggest a provision of £4,000.

A court action has been raised against Ecclesiastical Insurance to seek to recover the £2,870 we calculate is due to us under their policy of insurance.

SO Energy (suppliers of gas and electricity to the Rectory) claim there is money due to them, but have not quantified their claim. Any sum that may be due is the responsibility of the Diocese.

Independent Examiner's Report
to the Vestry of Holy Trinity Scottish Episcopal Church, Motherwell
for the year ended 30 September, 2025.

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 30 September 2025 which are set out on pages 5 to 9.

Respective responsibilities of Vestry Members and Examiner
The Church's Vestry members, who are the Trustees, are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the terms of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 ("the 2005 Act") and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended) ("the 2006 Regulations"). The Church's members of the Vestry consider that the audit requirement of Regulation 10 (1) (d) of the 2006 Regulations does not apply. It is my responsibility to examine the accounts as required under section 44 (1) (c) of the 2005 Act and to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's statement
My examination is carried out in accordance with Regulation 11 of the 2006 Regulations. 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 seeks explanations from the trustees concerning such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in such an audit and, consequently, I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent Examiner's 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 44 (1) (a) of the 2005 Act and Regulation 4 of the 2006 Regulations, and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with Regulation 9 of the 2006 Regulations 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:

Name: JAMES N GIBSON CA

Date: 1 March 2026