

Shawlands Trinity Church of Scotland: Glasgow

Report and Accounts

for the year ended 31 December 2025

Congregation No: 161061

Charity No: SC012969

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Trustees' Report
for the year ended 31 December 2025

The trustees present their annual report and financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2025. The financial statements are prepared on a receipts and payments basis and in accordance with the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005, the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended) and the Regulations Anent Congregational Finance approved by the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland in 2016.

Objectives and Activities

The Church of Scotland is Trinitarian in doctrine, reformed in tradition and Presbyterian in polity. It exists to glorify God and to work for the advancement of Christ's Kingdom throughout the world. As a national Church, it acknowledges a distinctive call and duty to bring the ordinances of religion to the people in every parish of Scotland through a territorial ministry. It co-operates with other Churches in various ecumenical bodies in Scotland and beyond.

Our statement of identity as Shawlands Trinity reads as follows:

Shawlands Trinity Church of Scotland: Glasgow serving God and the community of Shawlands.

We are a friendly group of people, living out the love of Jesus in daily life through caring, encouragement and acceptance of all, where people find encouragement and support, grow in faith and compassion and in which our fellowship embraces and attracts people of all ages, genders, abilities, races and sexual orientation.

Our mission is to reach out to our surrounding community with compassion and care. We have created a building that is open and welcoming to the people of Shawlands. We hope that they may find the church to be a place where they can experience acceptance, enjoyment and care.

We are a congregation who loves God and try our very best to live by the teachings and example of Jesus Christ.

Sunday services are held at 11.30a.m. with young people meeting during the morning service. Communion services are held quarterly in March, June, September and December. Bible Study takes place on Wednesday evenings with alternate weeks by Zoom. Other activities include Family Services and extra services at Easter and Christmas. There is a Worship Group, which meets once a month, made up of church members who have been trained to conduct morning worship as required. During 2025, for part of the year, we held weekly meditation sessions on Wednesdays at noon, which were popular with church members. Also, for part of the year, we held prayer meetings after Sunday services.

Groups which meet in the Church premises are Ladybirds, 2 Brownie Packs, Guides, 2 Badminton Groups, AA, Yoga, Boys' Brigade, 2 Toddler Groups, Cocaine Anonymous and Dance Class, meeting weekly. An after-school club meets for five afternoons a week during term time.

The Warm Café meets every Tuesday from 10 a.m. to 12.00 noon. This has proved to be popular with members and is also regularly attended by people from the community.

For several years the church has taken on responsibility for the Poppy Scotland Appeal collection for the G41 Post Code area.

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Achievements and Performance

Since our Assistant Minister took up a permanent charge at the end of 2024, we have been without a regular minister. However, we have been very well served by our Worship Group, made up of many dedicated and talented members of the congregation. We are indeed fortunate to have them. We have also been supported by various supply ministers who have brought a wide variety of preaching styles - all warm, welcoming and engaging. Again, we have been very fortunate.

Our Interim Moderator has been leading us throughout this period, and we have been blessed with his guidance and experience. He has led our monthly Kirk Session meetings (ten per year) and supported us in our search for another church to link/unite with, keeping in mind the Presbytery Plan for consolidating congregations and church buildings.

At this point of writing, during the start of 2026, we have welcomed a new locum minister to support us.

We continue to hold our regular weekly services, which are live streamed on our website and Facebook. We have regular attendance by our Sunday School and Youth Group members, who are supported by the Youth Ministry Team, and parents, who assist on a rota basis.

Our Boys' Brigade, Ladybirds, Brownies (2 packs) and Girl Guides continue to thrive within the local community, and we are pleased to support them. It is heartening to see our young people contribute to the life of the church.

We continue to support local community groups and are proud of the very dedicated team of church members who support the Warm Café on a Tuesday. They aim to open each Tuesday during the year, and as well as offering tea/coffee, cakes and chat, they also have special events, such as a Christmas Carol Service and sing-along for Burns' Day. Some of these members have joined us in our Sunday Services. Our Seeds for Growth Team, having applied for support for this project, will support the outreach work of the Warm Café and other events.

Throughout the year, and in a variety of ways, we have continued to support the following charities:

- Lodging House Mission
- Christian Aid
- Erskine Hospital
- Poppy Scotland Appeal

We also collect food parcels, on a weekly basis, to support the local food bank at Queen's Park Govanhill Church.

Pastoral care for the elderly and housebound is supported with letters, copies of Link magazine and chocolate gifts at Christmas.

Financial Review

Overall receipts were £113,019 (2024 - £119,854) which shows a decrease of £6,835 while total payments were £110,445 (2024 - £100,323) which shows an increase of £10,122. The overall result was a net excess of receipts over payments for the year of £2,574.

It is heartening to note that around £1,500 more than budgeted came from an increase in offerings. Rent on the church house is reviewed each year, and that has also increased. We have reviewed the rates for the Hall Lets, which shows a healthy increase from the previous year. We aim to review these rates on a regular basis.

We have had a hard working team of helpers who have organised and held two coffee afternoons/bring and buy events, which have raised over £1,600.

We also received a refund of £5,000 from Langside Parish Church, being a refund of monies paid to them in 2024, as our share of work to their manse. A grant of £925, 'Seeds for Growth', was received from Edinburgh for the purposes of Outreach.

A main contributor to our income is money that has been drawn down from the General Trustees Consolidated Fabric Fund (Revenue Account), held in Edinburgh. We had expected to draw down £20,300 but in fact this was increased to £23,000. The reason for this was unexpected expenses due to dry rot discovered in the floor of the small hall. The cost of treating the rot, reinstating the floor, replacing fitted cupboards (with free standing ones), and decoration came to a total of around £15,000.

Our expenditure for the year was impacted by the extra costs referred to above, i.e. the dry rot. We have busy church buildings, which need to be heated, and are mindful of the expenses incurred. We currently have a fixed price with our supplier, as negotiated by the General Trustees.

Our contribution to Giving to Grow increased by £11,884 compared to 2024.

The Statement of Balances shows funds held on behalf of the Congregation by the C of S General Trustees. The funds held in the Revenue Account are readily available to us, if needed, and at the end of 2025 this amount was £78,564.

In December we transferred £105,000 from our deposit account to a one year fixed deposit account, paying a rate of 3.75%.

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Risk Management

The major risks which the church faces are assessed regularly on an ongoing basis. With regard to financial matters, income and expenditure is monitored regularly and annual budgets and accounts are produced. We have a Safeguarding team in place, ensuring we comply with Church of Scotland recommendations. Health and Safety matters, within and affecting the outside of the building, are also regularly reviewed.

Reserves Policy

The charity trustees have considered the reserves required and have taken into account their current and future liabilities. It is the Trustees' policy to hold reserves of approximately 6 to 12 months expenditure including designated funds. At the year end the church held cash and bank balances of £176,270 of which £45,534 had been designated for the Fabric Fund and £93,257 for the Outreach fund. The balance in the General fund stood at £33,823 which is considered satisfactory in the uncertain times arising from the potential changes we may face as a result of the new Presbytery Plan.

The church also held £200 of endowment funds which have been provided for the purposes specified in Note 9.

Structure, Governance and Management

The congregation is a registered charity, number SC012969 and is administered in accordance with the terms of the Deed of Constitution (Unitary Form) and is subject to the Acts and Regulations of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland.

Members of the Kirk Session are the charity trustees. The Kirk Session members are the elders of the church and are chosen from those members of the church who are considered to have the appropriate gifts and skills. The minister, who is a member of the Kirk Session, is elected by the congregation and inducted by Presbytery. In a ministerial vacancy, Presbytery appoint an Interim Moderator who is also a trustee. The Kirk Session is supported by a Finance Committee who meet each month to review income and expenditure and prepare a report for the next Kirk Session meeting. Other groups supporting the work of the church are the Worship Group and a Hall Lets Convenor.

Reference and Administrative Information

Charity No: SC012969
Congregation No: 161061

Trustees

Rev Stuart Crawford, Interim Moderator with effect from 01/01/2022

The following served on the Kirk Session during the year:

Laura Alexander
Joan Alison
Ailsa Beattie
Ian Cuthbertson
Martin Forbes
Helen Gough
Frances Kennedy
Brian McAlinden
Eleanor McLintock
Simon McNeill
Gail Morrison
Margaret Preston
Elizabeth Rowan
James Sommerville
Elaine van den Akker
Scot van den Akker

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Principal Office Bearers:

Rev Stuart Crawford, Moderator with effect from 01/01/2022

Session Clerk Team: Brian McAlinden, Eleanor McLintock, Scot van den Akker.

Church Treasurer: Lilian Craig.

Principal Office

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Trustees' Responsibilities in Relation to the Financial Statements

The Trustees must prepare financial statements which give sufficient detail to enable an appreciation of the transactions of the Church during the financial year. The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which, on request, must reflect the 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, the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended) and the Regulations Anent Congregational Finance approved by the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland in 2016. 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.

Approved by the Trustees on 21/4/26 and signed on their behalf by a member of the Session Clerk Team.



ER McLintock, Session Clerk Team

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Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Shawlands Trinity Church of Scotland: Glasgow

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2025 which are set out on pages 6 to 11.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the terms of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended).

The charity trustees consider that the audit requirement of Regulation 10(1) (d) of the Accounts Regulations does not apply. It is my responsibility to examine the accounts as required under section 44(1) (c) of the 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 Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended). 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 any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent examiner's statement

In the course of 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 Accounts Regulations (as amended), and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with Regulation 9 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations (as amended) 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.

William Vernall

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Date: 21/4/26

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Receipts and Payments Account
for the year ended 31 December 2025

		Unrestricted	Endowment		Unrestricted	Endowment	
	Note	Funds	Funds	Total	Funds	Funds	Total
		2025	2025	2025	2024	2024	2024
		£	£	£	£	£	£
Receipts from:							
Donations & legacies	1	51,622	-	51,622	64,045	-	64,045
Charitable activities	2	2,989	-	2,989	994	-	994
Other trading activities	3	34,024	-	34,024	29,214	-	29,214
Investment Income	4	1,384	-	1,384	1,951	-	1,951
Other	5	23,000	-	23,000	23,650	-	23,650
Total receipts		113,019	-	113,019	119,854	-	119,854
Payments on:							
Raising funds	6	104	-	104	116	-	116
Charitable activities	6	110,341	-	110,341	100,207	-	100,207
Total payments		110,445	-	110,445	100,323	-	100,323
Excess of receipts over payments before transfers		2,574	-	2,574	19,531	-	19,531
Transfers		-	-	-	-	-	-
Excess of receipts over payments		2,574	-	2,574	19,531	-	19,531

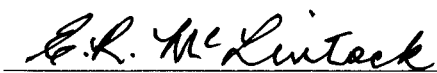
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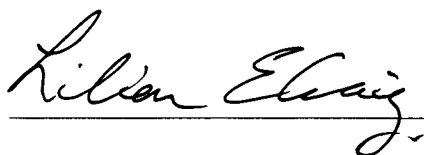
Statement of Balances as at 31 December 2025

	Unrestricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	2025 Total £	2024 Total £
<u>Bank Balances</u>				
At 1 January 2025	173,496	200	173,696	154,165
Movement in year:				
Excess of receipts over payments	2,574	-	2,574	19,531
At 31 December 2025	176,070	200	176,270	173,696
<u>Assets</u>				
Tangible fixed assets	4,749	-	4,749	6,333
Gift Aid Receivable	8,430	-	8,430	5,914
Organisations' funds	1,809	-	1,809	1,418
	14,988	-	14,988	4,470
<u>Liabilities</u>				
Creditors and accruals	(3,236)	-	(3,236)	(2,966)
	11,752	-	11,752	2,770

The accounts were approved by the trustees on 21st April 2026 and signed on their behalf by:



E R McLintock
Session Clerk Team



L E Craig
Treasurer

The notes form part of these financial statements.

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	Unrestricted Funds 2025 £	Endowment Funds 2025 £	Total 2025 £	Unrestricted Funds 2024 £	Endowment Funds 2024 £	Total 2024 £
1 Donations and Legacies						
Offerings	36,442	-	36,442	40,964	-	40,964
Tax Recovered on Gift Aid and GASDS	7,524	-	7,524	16,302	-	16,302
Donations	3,123	-	3,123	2,780	-	2,780
Open collections	4,533	-	4,533	3,975	-	3,975
Miscellaneous income	-	-	-	24	-	24
	<u>51,622</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>51,622</u>	<u>64,045</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>64,045</u>
2 Income from Charitable activities						
Weddings and funerals	500	-	500	200	-	200
Coffee mornings and social events	853	-	853	794	-	794
Regular fundraising events	1,636	-	1,636	-	-	-
	<u>2,989</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,989</u>	<u>994</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>994</u>
3 Income from other trading activities						
Use of premises	21,605	-	21,605	17,255	-	17,255
Rental income	12,419	-	12,419	11,959	-	11,959
	<u>34,024</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>34,024</u>	<u>29,214</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>29,214</u>
4 Investment income						
Deposit interest	1,384	-	1,384	1,951	-	1,951
	<u>1,384</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,384</u>	<u>1,951</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,951</u>
5 Other Income						
Drawn down from General Trustees	23,000	-	23,000	23,650	-	23,650
	<u>23,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>23,000</u>	<u>23,650</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>23,650</u>

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	Unrestricted Funds 2025 £	Endowment Funds 2025 £	Total 2025 £	Unrestricted Funds 2024 £	Endowment Funds 2024 £	Total 2024 £
6 Analysis of Payments						
Raising Funds						
Offering Envelopes	104	-	104	116	-	116
	<u>104</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>104</u>	<u>116</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>116</u>
Charitable Activities						
Giving to Grow (formerly Ministries & mission allocation)	45,225	-	45,225	33,341	-	33,341
Presbytery Dues	2,549	-	2,549	4,547	-	4,547
Minister's Expenses	104	-	104	790	-	790
Pulpit Supply	-	-	-	510	-	510
Other Salary Costs	3,321	-	3,321	3,368	-	3,368
Repairs & Maintenance	17,322	-	17,322	19,991	-	19,991
Insurance	10,377	-	10,377	7,471	-	7,471
Heating and lighting	20,357	-	20,357	14,613	-	14,613
Cleaning & Caretaking	3,681	-	3,681	3,542	-	3,542
Maintenance of Grounds	667	-	667	741	-	741
Church Office Expenses	1,573	-	1,573	1,872	-	1,872
Organ & Music Expenses	669	-	669	574	-	574
Locum Costs	-	-	-	2,001	-	2,001
Benevolence	304	-	304	220	-	220
Independent Examiner	2,460	-	2,460	2,190	-	2,190
Other expenses	1,732	-	1,732	510	-	510
Capital expenditure	-	-	-	3,926	-	3,926
	<u>110,341</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>110,341</u>	<u>100,207</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>100,207</u>
Total	<u>110,445</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>110,445</u>	<u>100,323</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>100,323</u>

Support costs have not been separately identified as the trustees consider there is only one charitable activity. Therefore support costs relate wholly to that activity and have not been separately identified.

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7 Staff costs and numbers

Total salary payments made during the year were £3,321 (2024: £3,368) in respect of Organist for Church services.

Average staff number in the year was 1 (2024: 1).

No employee had employee benefits in excess of £60,000 (2024: nil).

All Church of Scotland congregations contribute to the National Stipend Fund which bears the costs of all ministers' stipends and employer's contributions for national insurance, pension and housing and loan fund. Stipends are paid in accordance with the national stipend scale, which is related to years of service. For the year under review, the minimum stipend was £32,433 and the maximum stipend (in the fifth and subsequent years) was £39,856.

8 Trustee Remuneration and Related Party Transactions

During the year, the reimbursement of expenses of £104 (2024: nil) was paid to the Interim Moderator. No other trustee received reimbursement of expenses (2024: nil).

No trustee or person related to a trustee had any personal interest in any contract or transaction entered into by the charity during the year.

During the year a total of £12,852 was donated to the congregation by trustees (2024: £17,640).

There were no expenses, nor remuneration, waived by the trustees during the year (2024: nil).

9 Movement in Funds

	At 1 January 2025 £	Receipts £	Payments £	Other Gains/ (Losses) £	Transfers £	At 31 December 2025 £
Endowment funds						
JHM Scott	200	-	-	-	-	200
	<u>200</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>200</u>
Unrestricted funds						
General Fund	40,057	87,710	(93,944)	-	-	33,823
Choir Music Fund	275	-	-	-	-	275
Moiria McKie Legacy (Sunday School)	2,612	-	(384)	-	-	2,228
Benevolent Fund	1,057	-	(104)	-	-	953
Outreach Fund	91,089	2,309	(141)	-	-	93,257
Fabric Fund	37,426	23,000	(14,892)	-	-	45,534
Warm Café Fund	200	-	(200)	-	-	-
Heating Fund	780	-	(780)	-	-	-
	<u>173,496</u>	<u>113,019</u>	<u>(110,445)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>176,070</u>
Total funds	<u>173,696</u>	<u>113,019</u>	<u>(110,445)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>176,270</u>

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9 Movement in Funds (cont'd)

Analysis of Funds for previous year

	At 1 January 2024 £	Receipts £	Payments £	Other Gains/ (Losses) £	Transfers £	At 31 December 2024 £
Endowment funds						
JHM Scott	200	-	-	-	-	200
	<u>200</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>200</u>
Unrestricted funds						
General Fund	24,837	93,473	(78,293)	-	40	40,057
Choir Music Fund	275	-	-	-	-	275
Moira McKie Legacy (Sunday School)	2,612	-	-	-	-	2,612
Benevolent Fund	1,277	-	(220)	-	-	1,057
Outreach Fund	89,138	1,951	-	-	-	91,089
Fabric Fund	35,626	23,650	(21,810)	-	(40)	37,426
Warm Café Fund	200	-	-	-	-	200
Heating Fund	-	780	-	-	-	780
	<u>153,965</u>	<u>119,854</u>	<u>(100,323)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>173,496</u>
Total funds	<u>154,165</u>	<u>119,854</u>	<u>(100,323)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>173,696</u>

Purposes of Endowment Funds

JHM Scott: Income generated from the Endowment Funds is to be used at the discretion of the Kirk Session.

Purposes of Designated Funds

Choir Music Fund: To purchase sheet music for the choir.

Moira McKie Legacy: To fund our work with children and young people.

Benevolent Fund: To be expended at the discretion of the Minister.

Outreach Fund: The Trustees have set aside funds for the purpose of outreach and mission in the Shawlands community over the next five years.

Fabric Fund: The Trustees have set aside funds for the maintenance of the church property.

Warm Café Fund: A donation from Co-operative Funeral Services to be expended on the provision of a Warm Café.

Heating Fund: To be expended on Heat and Light costs.

10 Collections for Third Parties	2025 £	2024 £
Christian Aid	1,130	1,236
Retiral gifts	-	895
Lodging House Mission	-	45
World Day of Prayer	-	188
Erskine Hospital	138	130
	<u>1,268</u>	<u>2,494</u>

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Appendix

**FUNDS HELD ON BEHALF OF THE CONGREGATION BY
THE CHURCH OF SCOTLAND GENERAL TRUSTEES**

	2025	2024
	£	£
<u>CAPITAL ACCOUNT</u>		
Credit Balances held at 31 December at cost	926,661	926,661
	=====	=====
Market Value of Balances at 31 December	926,661	926,661
	=====	=====
<u>REVENUE ACCOUNT</u>		
Credit Balances held at 31 December	78,564	58,099
	=====	=====