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ST CLEMENT'S CHURCH MANCHESTER

VISION NIGHT REPORT



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REVIEW OF 2025:

WHO'S WHO

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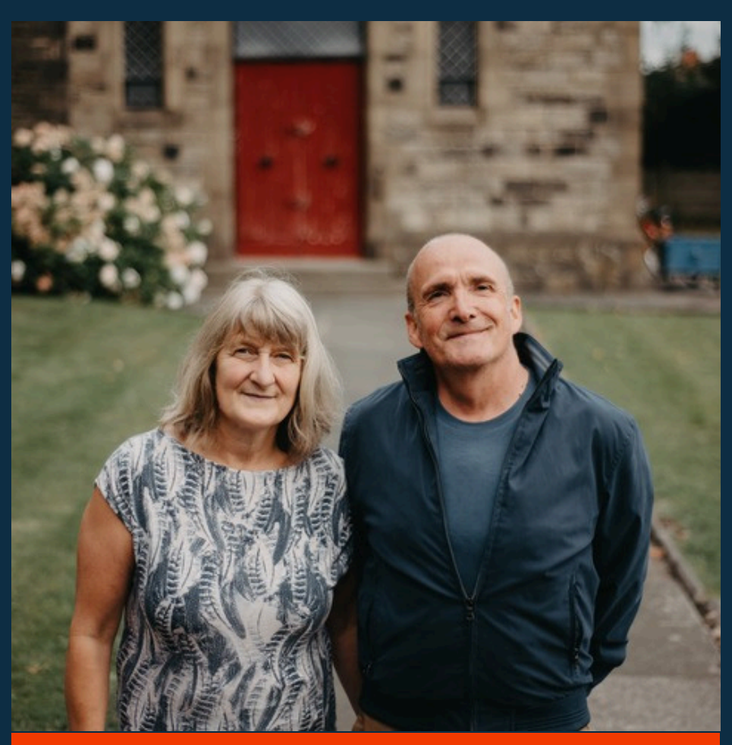
Paul & Gill Jump
Minister



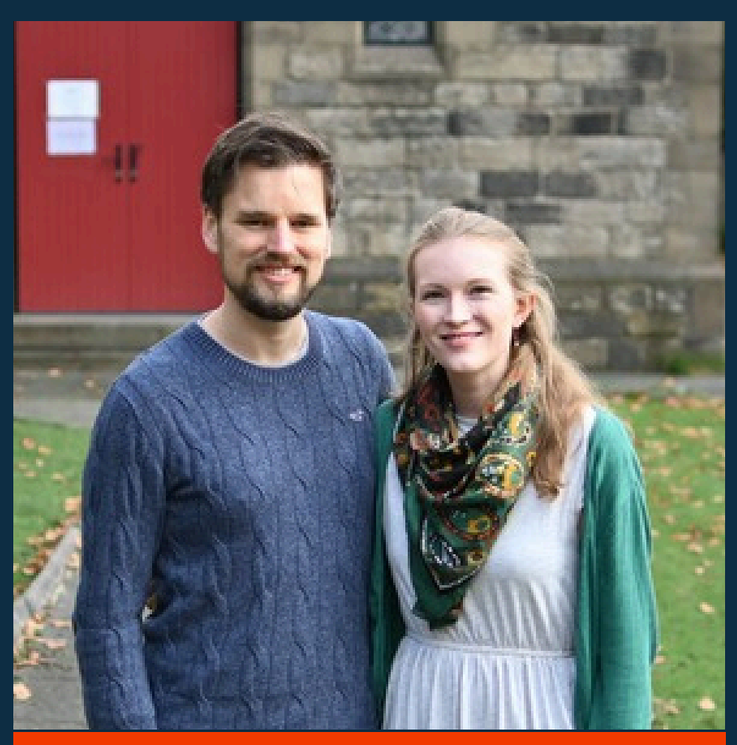
Henry & Beth Alexander
Assistant Minister



Promise & Chinenye Amadi
PCC Vice Chair



Mark & Michelle Taylor
Church Warden



Tom & Chrissy Parkes
Church Warden

STAFF:

Paul Jump | Minister

Henry Alexander | Assistant Minister

Alex Tatchell | Youth & Children's Worker

Erin Skelton | Office & Digital Communications Co-ordinator

Nicci Wooley | Ministry Trainee

REVIEW OF 2025:

WHO'S WHO

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL (DEACONS):

Rev. Paul Jump
Mark Taylor (Church Warden & Treasury Team)
Promise Amadi (Vice Chair)
Lizzie Watkins (Secretary)
Tom Parkes (Church Warden)
Sandy Man Chan
Tim Dada
Josh Rogers
Lakes Abimbola
Jo Oladipo
Rev. Henry Alexander
Louise Boxall (Safeguarding)
Stephen Mackel
John Warburton
Nicola Wooley
Josh Yeoh
Emma Alexander
Gilly Blair
Sarah Lavelle
Fiona Baluwa
John Statter

DEANERY SYNOD MEMBERS:

Lizzie Watkins
John Warburton
Promise Amadi
Stephen Mackel

CHURCH PATRONS:

The Bishop of Manchester
Rosie Sinclair
Rev. Paul Mathole
Mark Taylor
John Ormiston

MINISTER TO MINISTERS:

Rt. Rev. Keith Sinclair

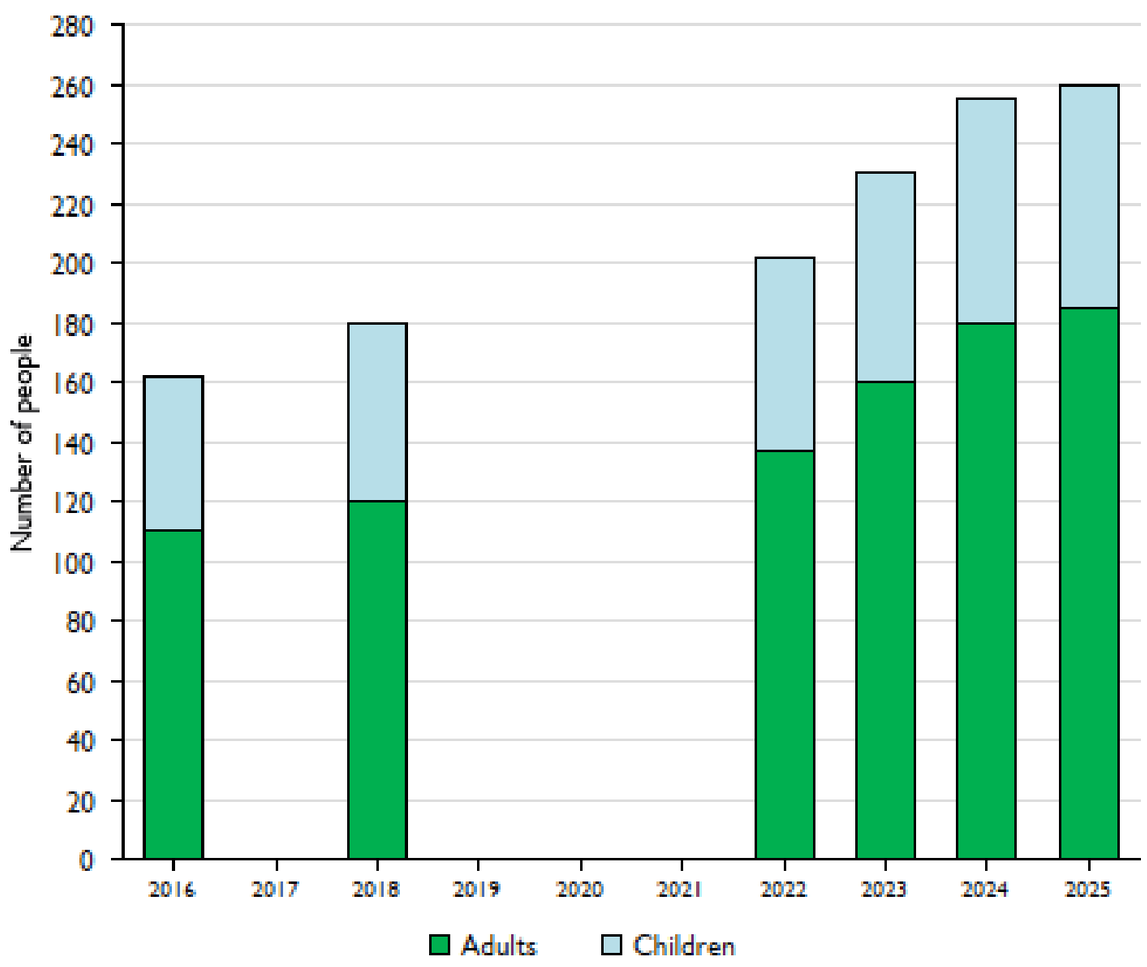


REVIEW OF 2025:

CHURCH STATS

ATTENDANCE

The attendance at both our morning and evening services has continued to steadily increase over the last year. We continue to welcome a large number of babies and children to our services, as well as adults including those over-60. You can see how the average attendance at our Sunday services has increased steadily over the last few years below.



(Based on the data inputted into the CofE parish returns system annually)

FORMAL SERVICES

Weddings	**2**	Funerals	**8**	Baptisms	**16**



REVIEW OF 2025:

RECTOR'S REPORT

Paul Jump

As we review this past year at St. Clement's there is much to give God thanks for.

During the past year God has increased the diversity of our congregation with new people joining church from an increasingly wide variety of backgrounds. Our increasingly diverse church reflects our increasingly diverse community in East Manchester. Being an increasingly diverse church is a wonderful blessing (and a small picture of the worldwide kingdom of Jesus Christ) but it is also a challenge as we work out how to do life with those who are very different to ourselves. Keeping Jesus Christ and his gospel at the centre of church life is crucial as what unites us is our faith in him not our culture or background. We are about spreading a passion for Jesus Christ in Manchester, the UK and the world.

Another reason for thanksgiving is the increased interest in the gospel that we have seen in our area. A number of people who are not from religious backgrounds have found their way to St Clement's over the past year. Some have been reading the Bible or listening to podcasts and sermons online. Coming to church has been the next step for them in their faith journey. Our prayer is that God would continue the salvation work that he has begun in their lives and that God would bring more people this coming year to a living faith in Jesus Christ.

A third reason for thanksgiving that I wanted to mention is the way I see members of our church serving one another in love. Giving time, money and using their gifts for the blessing of others. I thank God for enabling you to serve each other in this way. Would you join me in using the words of the apostle Paul to pray that we would continue to love each other like this in the coming year.

And it is my prayer that your love may abound more and more, with knowledge and all discernment, [10] so that you may approve what is excellent, and so be pure and blameless for the day of Christ, [11] filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God. Philippians 1:9-11



REVIEW OF 2025:

CHURCH WARDEN'S REPORT

Mark Taylor + Tom Parkes

We continue to praise God for his goodness to us in bringing so many new people to join us in worship each week, often with so many diverse backgrounds, which enriches our fellowship and reflects our parish population. St Clements has not just grown numerically at morning services but also in our discipleship as more and more of us are members of community groups sharing life weekly in the building or in each other's homes and in Community Group Central meetings. The weekly evening service is growing numerically and many people find it a great way to start a new week praising God and learning from His word. Having so many worshipping here on Sunday mornings does sometimes stretch the church's capacity and the PCC has commissioned an architectural feasibility study to explore possible structural building options within a range of other solutions which are being carefully considered.

As part of St Clement's Aims and Objectives contained in its vision to spread a passion for Jesus Christ in Manchester, the church does strive to serve as many different demographic groups of people as possible. During 2025 the church engaged in ministries with the over 60's group, toddlers, juniors, young people, students, second language English speakers, school parents and food bank clients. It is so encouraging to know that the church is being used every day of the week in term time, other than Fridays, to serve others both within our church and more widely in the Higher Openshaw community, to pray, worship and reach out with the gospel.

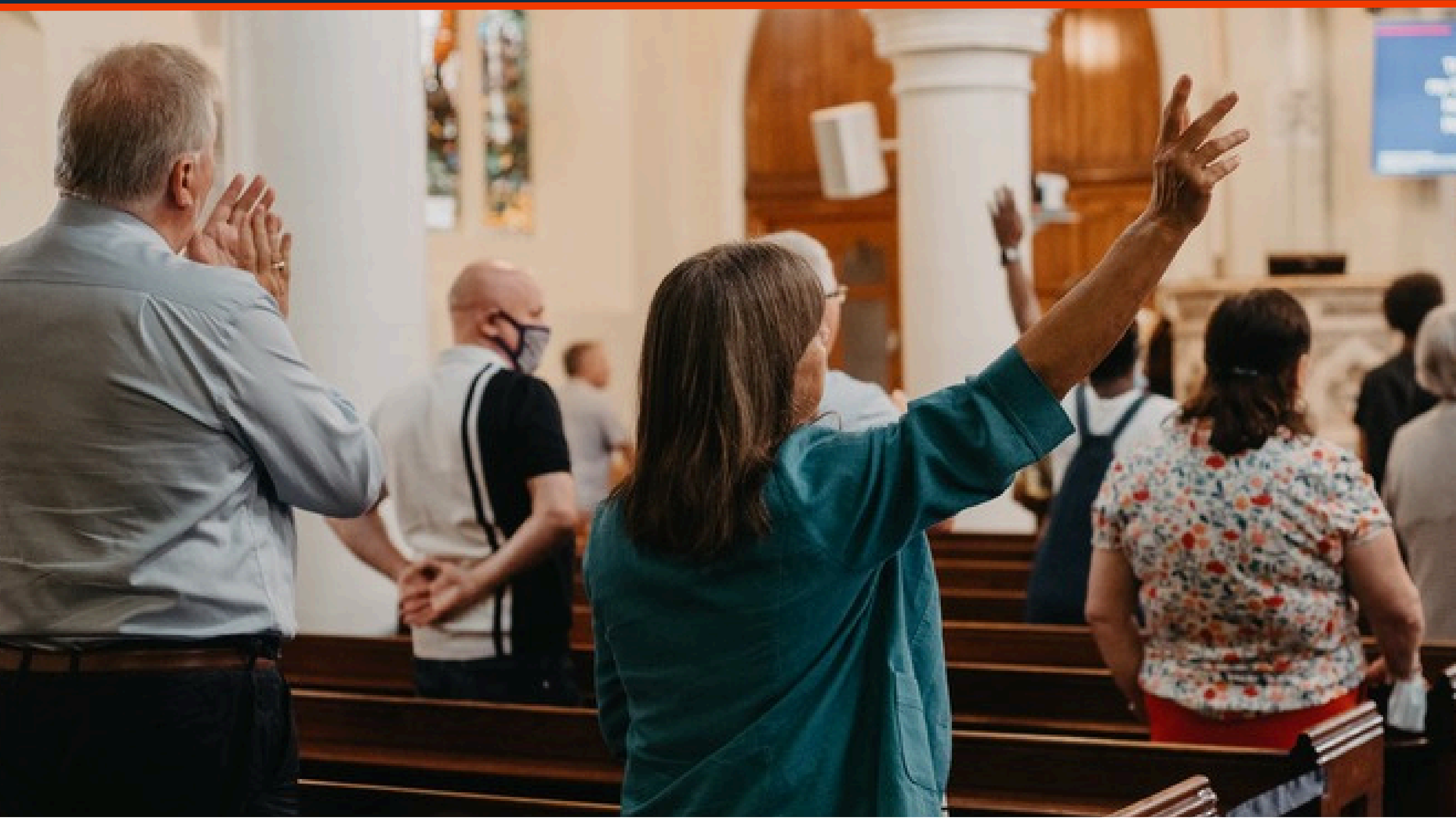
At Christmas it was wonderful to have so many different Christmas services as well as so many school Christmas events take place in the building. As well as established carol services (Traditional, Childrens and Contemporary) our church building hosted another International Carol Service. For the second year, our diverse church communities led us in celebrating the birth of our Lord. The Watchnight service continues to be an important event especially for African members of our congregation.

For the first time our church Cantonese fellowship organised a mid-autumn festival which was enjoyed by church members and the local Cantonese community. A St Clement's Reunion took place in May, an occasion that brought together and blessed people who had their formative Christian lives here and who in most cases had moved away from the parish.

Regarding the physical church buildings, it was possible to maintain the church well again this year and thanks are due to the gardening, maintenance and cleaning teams. The church heating system broke down in September and major repairs were required.

We are saddened by the devastating times of bereavement for many people and families in the congregation. We praise God for everlasting life through Jesus Christ our Lord and we pray for peace, sustenance and blessed assurance for all those in continuing grief.

The wide variety of church ministries wouldn't be possible without the dedicated service of so many members of the congregation regularly giving up time after work, weekends, and days off all often within busy and precious family lives. We thank Rev Paul, Rev Henry, Alex, Bishop Keith and their families for their total commitment and dedicated preaching and leading among us week by week led and inspired by prayer and reliance on God's word. We also thank Nicci Woolley and Erin Skelton, for all their important hard work often behind the scenes.





REVIEW OF 2025:

PROPERTY & GARDEN

Keith Worsfold + Steve Helme

Property (Keith Worsfold)

The property team consists of Reg Evans, Mark Taylor & Keith Worsfold, who often with the help of Phil Bate and Jack Coupe complete any routine repairs around church as they need doing. For it's age, the church is in a very good condition. The main concern last year was on repairs to the church boiler when several parts needed replacing. Many thanks to all those who contribute to the upkeep.

Church Garden (Steve Helme)

Another year, with all the seasonal challenges involved in dealing with the church garden but first let me thank everyone involved in serving in the garden ministry. More plants, more weeding and more work, as always. In dealing with the garden, we see the difference that climate change is making and we are now trying to account for that as we develop the planting.

During the year, it was good to see the fruits of our labours and to know that both our church family and members of the community appreciate the garden. It’s great when somebody stops to make a comment and chat.

We know the garden and grounds can still be improved, so feel free to let us know your suggestions, maybe arrange to come and help or make a donation for garden works, as it is all funded by individuals, not a church budget.

We thank and praise God in leading us to this work, helping us and blessing our fellowship.

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REVIEW OF 2025:

SAFEGUARDING REPORT

Louise Boxall

Our work among children, young people and vulnerable adults has continued to grow dramatically throughout the past year and our child protection procedures have continued to be undertaken conscientiously by all concerned in these very important ministries. We as a church want to serve our church family and community well but it is essential that we do this safely and with clarity.

As this work continues to grow, so does the need for safeguarding input and guidance in the background of activities to ensure the safety and foresight of all involved.

We, as a church, liaise with the diocese and for advice where clarification is required and we take very seriously everything that is brought to our attention. They support us with all decisions made regarding safeguarding within our church. As a church we must all work together. It is the whole congregation's responsibility to be vigilant in all our behaviour and attitudes to put children, young people, and vulnerable adults first at all times to enable us to serve safely and serve well.

Trying to ensure everyone has done the training required including the required updates and completed their paperwork and checks prior to volunteering is no small task in a rapidly growing church but is an important element of safeguarding our volunteers and those we care for in our ministry. We have been immensely grateful for Erin stepping in to assist with the admin side of this during this year.

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As the church grows and our buildings are used extensively, which is fantastic and a great witness, it also increases our awareness of potential issues. Posters are placed around church with whom to contact, leaders of the groups are available, and details are on the church website. No concern is too small to bring to our attention and will be dealt with in the appropriate manner. We rely on timely, accurate information being passed on to us as a safeguarding team by anyone who has a concern. This can be done by email, phone or in person. **Good communication regarding safeguarding is essential** to ensure we maintain the safety of all people involved or attending church and the ministry outreach. It is always better to raise a concern than to ignore it and we urge anyone to email the safeguarding team with any issues, concerns or questions rather than approaching the leadership team where possible as the safeguarding team are specifically tasked with this role to enable the leadership team to lead the wider church pastorally.

We would like to thank all involved in working in these ministries for being so cooperative in doing all the paperwork and completing the online training, especially when volunteering so much of their free time to ministry already. As the church congregation increases so does the safeguarding workload, for this reason the safeguarding team has grown, and I would ask people to prayerfully consider volunteering if you feel God calling you to do so and speak to the safeguarding officer about this.



REVIEW OF 2025:

CARE TEAM

Erin Skelton

It is a blessing to say that much of the care within St Clement's happens organically as our church family fervently look out for one another. The care team exists to support the regular pastoral care of the church family by providing coordinated responses to moments of particular pastoral need. As our church family continues to grow in number, we are committed to ensuring no-one falls through the cracks. The care team consists of 8 care coordinators who oversee pastoral visitations, the provision of church family meals, the administration of the hardship fund, prayer ministry, soul care, and safeguarding. As finances continue to be a burden for many, we have been able to bless members of our church family with support from the hardship fund. Thank you to Steve Helme who faithfully oversees this, and who has wholeheartedly committed to the financial wellbeing of our church family and community through the development of money coaching.

While the care team coordinates and oversees this care, there is a whole army of church family implementing it - we are all part of the care team at St Clement's!

Please do reach out to the care team by emailing:
care@stclementschurchmanchester.org



REVIEW OF 2025:

CHILDREN & YOUTH

Alex Tatchell

Gospel Kids
Gospel Kids is our Sunday school ministry for 4-11 year olds. We have looked through the Gospel of Mark, Jonah, a selection of Psalms, and 'God's Big Picture' Bible overview. It has been a pleasure to regularly connect with the kids of church families and welcome some new people over the year.

The Hub
The Hub is our Tuesday afterschool club for 4-11 year olds, with a particular focus on providing a welcoming 'easy invite' to non-Christian friends. We have seen some growth this year driven by children evangelising to their friends which is a major encouragement. We continue to look through a Story Book Bible each week.

Roots
Tuesday night Roots is our youth ministry to 11-18 year olds and continues to be one of the busiest ministries I oversee. We have looked through Jonah, Ephesians and a series looking at big Bible Questions.
Roots Sunday Chill is a youth Bible study at my house for the older teenagers in school year 11-13. We have been following the Community Group series, as well as looking at 'Living Out' Kaleidoscope material exploring how Christians can faithfully engage with members of the LGBTQ+ community.
Within our youth ministry we also offer 1:1 same gender discipleship for the older teenagers which continues to be one of my highlights each year.

Holiday Bible Club
HBC 2025 was a great event and personally I feel we as a church really have gotten into the swing of running it. Around 100 kids made up of church family, other local churches and members of our community filled St Clement's for four mornings of Pirate themed fun, looking through the book of Jonah. "Salvation comes from the Lord!"

Clementunes | Beth Alexander

'Did you know that 75% of British under 5s attend a church-run toddler group?'* We are so thankful for the great outreach opportunity Clementunes is! Parents/carers and their little ones are welcomed through our church doors on a Monday morning where they enjoy a noisy, musical session upstairs, or a calmer, gentler session downstairs, followed by time spent chatting together over hot cuppas and homemade treats.

As part of our session we sing songs about God and read Bible stories; please pray that these would stir the hearts of the little ones and their adults, and that these families would be drawn into church life and come to know Jesus as their King.

We've enjoyed some seasonal events this year, such as our end of year Summer picnic (with hot dogs and a bouncy castle!), the Light Party in October and our most recent Easter party, with 28 children and their families in attendance and hearing the Easter story!

Thank you to the amazing team members, volunteers, kitchen support and bakers as they faithfully serve and facilitate this ministry each week. And thank you to God for His faithfulness and provision to us in sustaining Clementunes for another year.

* Faith in Kids

Clementeenies (crèche) | Rhea Tatchell

Crèche is the childcare provision on Sundays for our smallest church members (0-5 year olds). We have around 10-15 children joining us weekly for play, a bible story, a breadstick snack, singing and a colouring activity sheet to take home. It is a joy to see the children interacting with each other and joining in with story time with enthusiasm. Singing and action songs continue to be a favourite activity for lots of our little ones and is a joyful (and noisy!) part of our weekly session. We also love the bubble machine!

Once again a big thank you to our fantastic team of volunteers who servant-heartedly help out approximately 1 in 4 Sundays. We're always in need of more volunteers so do chat to Rhea if you're interested in serving in this ministry.



REVIEW OF 2025:

COMMUNITY GROUPS

Henry Alexander

Community groups are a key part of our life as a church family. As we grow in number, CGs are an excellent place to connect and build deeper relationships with others at church.

Our groups meet weekly to seek God, speak truth and share life. We seek God as we worship together and read his word. We speak the truth as we apply His word to our lives and pray for each other. We share life through building friendships that encourage us as we follow Jesus.

Last year we looked at Hebrews and God's big picture. We have also met centrally once a half term to dig a bit deeper into a topic related to the weekly Bible studies or sermon series. We have around 150 people involved in community groups but we would love every church member to be part one. If you would like to join a group, please send me a message or email at henry@stclementschurchmanchester.org



REVIEW OF 2025:

FOOD BANK & COMMUNITY CAFÉ

Keith Worsfold + Gill Jump

Food Bank (Keith Worsfold)
We started our food bank in March 2020 at the beginning of Covid lockdown with about 7 parcels on a pew in church and it has continued to grow and expand. We're open every Tuesday afternoon and provide food & toiletries for people and we have a representative from Citizens Advice to help people with other problems.
The Trussell Trust, who we partner with, provide the majority of food and organise all the referrals, administration etc.

On average we helped feed 318 adults and 144 children on a monthly basis last year. We also received a grant that enabled us to buy Christmas toys which meant every child received a present for Christmas. Please email the church office if you would like to set up a monthly standing order to support the food bank. Many thanks to our fantastic team of volunteers. We praise God for His many blessings and provision.

Community Café (Gill Jump)
We have had a great year in the community cafe on a Tuesday afternoon. One of the highlights has been a closer working relationship with the Trussel Trust and some joint training looking at how we maintain a professional and yet explicitly Christian focus in our interactions.

We have continued blessing the community with the simple pleasures of a toastie and a piece of homemade cake. Big thanks again to Tash for all her hard work baking . We are also grateful to new team members , Zainab, Esther, Judith and Stacey.

We are always happy to have new team members join us as we now open for longer hours, 1.15 till 4.30. Please get in touch if you have any availability on a Tuesday afternoon.



REVIEW OF 2025:

CAMEO

Nicci Woolley

CAMEO (Come And Meet Each Other) has become an established and anticipated part of the week for some of our over 60s as we have welcomed our regulars each week, along with new members joining us in the past year. Every Tuesday morning, the church doors are opened for members of our church family and community, particularly those who are over 60, to Come and Meet Each Other, and share in fellowship and community with one another. Cups of tea and coffee are enjoyed over games, jigsaws, craft sessions, and reminiscing about the good old days!

Once a month, we enjoy soup day served with bread rolls. And termly we have our larger 'Holiday at Home' events.

We are grateful for the volunteers and members of CAMEO who willingly welcome and serve each other faithfully each week. We are always happy to see new faces coming through our doors, so why not think about joining us on a Tuesday morning!



REVIEW OF 2025:

MUSIC & WORSHIP

Henry Alexander

We are blessed with superb music and AV teams who help us sing praises to God every Sunday. Music is a wonderful gift from God, given so that we might revere his character and glory, remember all he has done for us and rejoice in His hope. It is always such a blessing to hear the church family singing as one on a Sunday.

Please do check out the ‘Resources’ section on the church website to see all that our musicians are getting up to. This page is packed with songs, videos and other resources to help encourage you in your faith.



REVIEW OF 2025:

COMMUNITY CHOIR

Eleonore Kimberley

By God's grace, St Clement's Community Choir has continued to flourish through 2025. We meet weekly on a Monday evening to sing together, have fun, build friendships, and work towards events that we sing at across the year. 2025 saw the joyful introduction of the 'Rounds with Caroline' section of choir rehearsals on a Monday, bringing the choir team to include Jo Rogers, Caroline Haddock, Eleonore Kimberley, and Andrew Allwright.

Through the year, the main events that choir sang at were church services and church related events. In 2025 this included Palm Sunday, Good Friday and Easter Sunday Services, Pentecost Sunday, Holiday at Home, Remembrance Sunday, and the traditional Christmas Carol service.

Monday evenings continue to include a mix of sacred and secular repertoire, allowing for the chance to belt out some 'Wicked' tunes alongside time for genuine worship together. With the attendance of primarily St Clement's members fluctuating from 12 - 25 people week to week across the year, we aim to cater for both our experienced musicians and new singers by working on good technique and building skills in a fun and interactive way. We're grateful to God for sustaining this ministry through 2025, for our diverse and faithful team, for the chance to worship together each Monday. We invite prayer for opportunities for choir to welcome more singers who don't yet know Jesus, as well as opportunities to sing at events within the local community.



REVIEW OF 2025:

Monday Football

Prince Modeme

God has really been faithful to all of us; the praise here is to his faithful hand in the workings of the men's football group. Every Monday we meet up at the local football pitch in Openshaw (Ten Acres Sports Complex) from 9 pm-10 pm. What started as a small group of St Clement brothers has expanded to also welcome young men from outside a church community last year. Therefore, the mission for 2025 was really about building a culture within the group; a culture where people are able to play a competitive game of football but build relationships with strangers. Most importantly, a culture that cultivates the knowledge that God is present and amongst us, including when we are playing football! To walk towards this mission, we established a habit of gathering before 'kick-off' for ice-breakers, but also to pray: giving God the glory for bringing us together and asking Him to dwell among us as we competed. We are so humbled to say that God really moved in this initiative, because we saw the guys really take to gathering round and praying together before playing. There was also a positive transition in the exchange between individuals, allowing players of all levels to express themselves. We also managed to arrange a few socials with the guys outside of the pitch side to further cultivate relationships. But this is only the beginning. God is moving rapidly, and I cannot wait to see how he leads us in this ministry in 2026



REVIEW OF 2025:

INTERNATIONAL MINISTRY + COFFEE & CONVERSATION

Tom + Chrissy Parkes

2025 has been a joyful year of welcoming people from all nations into the St Clement's church family, celebrating unity in worship and growth in our knowledge of God.

Sunday services continue to be multinational gatherings, and in 2025, we turned to the ‘Breeze’ system for live digital translation of the service into many languages. Our deepest gratitude goes to the tech team for making that possible. We hope this will allow all those who speak English as a second language to feel included in services and to understand not only the sermon but also all aspects of the service, including community life announcements.
At the close of 2025, a Cantonese-language Bible study is regularly meeting, and a Cantonese Christianity Explored course took place earlier in the year. A Farsi Bible study was formed in early 2025 and is going strong, working through the ‘Come Follow Me’ material.

The Saturday-morning “Coffee and Conversation” ministry is in its fourth year and has hosted guests from at least 30 different countries, helping them practise their English and giving them the opportunity to read a Bible story. This year, termly social activities, such as wreath making at Christmas and shared meals featuring foods from our own cultures, increased guest participation and fostered greater community. Several guests attended Easter and Christmas services, and some now attend church regularly. The ministry continues to be blessed by faithful volunteers from the St Clement’s congregation coming to either chat with the guests or help with the crèche.

Two new events took place in 2025: a mid-autumn festival gathering organised by members of the congregation from Hong Kong and a Nowruz (Persian New Year) celebration. Both were a rich blessing to the church family.

The second International Christmas carol service was a fantastic event once again, featuring songs from African, Cantonese, and French choirs, a German solo, and a reading in Farsi. There are plans in 2026 to hold a further Nowruz celebration, put on another international carols and consider other ways we can celebrate each other's cultures together.



REVIEW OF 2025:

MISSION PARTNERS

Josh Rogers

David and Mary are in their eleventh year serving in South Asia in a muslim-majority region. David is ordained as an Anglican minister and they lead a bilingual church alongside the bishop in their city, with particular responsibility for the youth and children's ministry. David and Mary have also been heading up a new drug rehab centre. Do pray for this endeavour as it continues to serve vulnerable people.

Paul & Helen served their final year in West Africa in 2025. Helen continued to serve in the emergency department of the state hospital with stretched and limited resources. Paul served as national director for a large missions agency, supporting missionaries, local church leaders and a seminary. Unfortunately the family had to leave the field suddenly in October after the security situation deteriorated. The girls' school sadly had to close and at the end of 2025 the family began to settle back in Manchester indefinitely.

Throughout 2025 **Judith** served in the leadership of the school attended by Paul & Helen's girls. Judith faced persistent short-staffing and falling pupil numbers and bore the burden of closing down the school when the security situation deteriorated and many of the missionaries and their families left the field. Judith continued to support some of the pupils remotely and began exploring new opportunities in educating the children of missionaries in the field. Do pray for her as she discerns and plans her next steps.

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James & Juliette continue their work in South East Asia. James practices medicine in a clinic with fellow believers. Their 3 children are in local education. The family spent several weeks in the UK during the summer of 2025 catching up with family, friends and supporters. James & Juliette have a particular calling to share the gospel with a certain people group in a neighbouring province to which access is not always straightforward. Through faithful prayer, James and Juliette are starting to see doors opening up to this province and opportunities arising, developing relationships with a small but growing family of believers. Please pray they are able to deepen these relationships and see more fruit among that people group.

Dan & Vicky continue to bring the gospel to Muslims in North Africa. Dan is teaching at a school established by Christians. They practice cold-contact evangelism and have a prayer ministry for persecuted and incarcerated believers in the region. Join them in prayer as they continued to seek discernment and wisdom for the direction of their ministry, praying lots with their team mates.

Barny completed 3 years with UCCF as a part-time staff worker in creative evangelism in the summer of 2025. He served the Christian Unions in the universities in Manchester and Salford, with a particular emphasis encouraging the students at the Royal Northern College of Music in their evangelism and discipleship. Barny has therefore finished as an associate missions partner at St Clements.



REVIEW OF 2025:

TEAM TIDY (cleaning team)

Florence Baluwa

Over the past year, our church cleaning ministry (Team Tidy) has served quietly but faithfully, preparing God's house with care, reverence, and consistency. Much of this work happens behind the scenes, yet it is a meaningful act of worship and stewardship—honouring the Lord and loving His people by caring for the spaces where the church family gathers.

A central theme of the year has been gratitude for God's provision, especially the health and strength He has given to those who serve. Even when weeks were demanding, the Lord enabled our team members to keep coming into church to clean, and we thank Him for His sustaining grace and protection. This year also carried deep sorrow with the death of our dear Sister Elizabeth Thompson who was a long-time member of our team. We honour her memory and trust God to comfort those who mourn, keeping us anchored in the hope of Jesus Christ.

God also encouraged us by adding new members to the cleaning team. Their willingness to serve has strengthened our team, and it has been a joy to welcome and guide them. At the same time, we still need more hands to keep the work sustainable when illness, travel, or family responsibilities reduce availability. We prayerfully invite others to join—weekly, fortnightly, or monthly—because every willing heart makes a difference. We are thankful we always have adequate cleaning materials and have felt supported whenever we have requested cleaning supplies. Looking ahead, we pray for more volunteers and grace to keep serving faithfully.



REVIEW OF 2025:

CHURCH ACCOUNTS

Mark Taylor

Please see separate Financial Report and Accounts.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF ST CLEMENTS HIGHER OPENSHAW, PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31st December 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent Examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

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

Signed: Eric Ho Yi Lam, FCCA
Date: 28th April 2026

OUR CHURCH VISION

2020 - 2025

ST CLEMENT'S
CHURCH MANCHESTER

Vision Statement

Our vision is to spread a passion for Jesus Christ in Manchester, the UK and the world

WORD

Our vision is:

- To preach the gospel faithfully, accessibly and passionately to our community both inside and outside church.
- To be a church that regularly meets together to study/examine the word.
- To be a church that trains and develops leaders.

WORSHIP

Our vision is:

- To ensure our services are as accessible for as many people as possible (e.g. for those who have English as a second language or those with lower literacy levels).
- To use our music to help people from all walks of life to encounter and enjoy God whether for the first time or the billionth time.
- To be transformed through our encounter with Jesus so that we worship God with our whole lives.

WITNESS

Our vision is:

- To share the good news of Jesus Christ with our local community.
- To actively revitalise other churches in the city.
- To send out people to witness for Christ elsewhere in the UK and the world.

WELFARE

Welfare of the Community

Our vision is:

- To love our community and live out the gospel in real and meaningful ways.
- To practically and emotionally support those in need.
- To work alongside other organisations to care for people well.

WELLBEING

Wellbeing of the Church

Our vision is:

- To ensure everyone in our church family is cared for well and, where necessary, supported in their care of others.
- To help our church family to be aware of who needs care, aware of how to access support and aware of our individual responsibility to care for each other, so that no one is missed.
- To resource and equip our church family in how to love and care for others well, and to confidently and compassionately share the love of Christ with those in need.

St Clements Church Higher Openshaw PCC
Receipts and Payments Account
Year ended 31 December 2025
Charities Commission 1198190

		2025			2024		
		Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
		£	£	£	£	£	£
Regular Giving	1	95,140	7,572	102,712	93,217	4,265	97,482
Ad hoc giving		2,480	4,560	7,040	0	13,080	13,080
Gift Aid		21,127	0	21,127	21,140	0	21,140
Other donations (grants + legacies)	2	34,463	6,022	40,485	10,004	8,155	18,159
Other income	3	14,969	1,295	16,264	12,769	405	13,174
Total Income		**168,180**	**19,449**	**187,629**	**137,130**	**25,905**	**163,035**
Fundraising costs		0	0	0	0	0	0
Church activities		(82816)	(4161)	(86977)	(93388)	(7701)	(101089)
Church expenses		(45974)	(14057)	(60031)	(40280)	(9846)	(50126)
Building costs		0	0	0	(2098)	(6080)	(8178)
Other costs		0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Expenditure		**(128791)**	**(18218)**	**(147008)**	**(135766)**	**(23627)**	**(159393)**
Surplus / Deficit		**39,389**	**1,232**	**40,621**	**1,364**	**2,278**	**3,642**
Transfers between Funds		**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**
Cash funds last year end		**33,026**	**14,088**	**47,114**	**31,662**	**11,810**	**43,472**
Cash funds this year end		**72,415**	**15,320**	**87,735**	**33,026**	**14,088**	**47,114**

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Year ended 31 December 2025
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		2025			2024		
		Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
Receipts		£	£	£	£	£	£
Regular giving							
Regular giving - Gift Aided		68,841	6,853	75,694	61,799	3,441	65,240
Collections at Services		10,393	450	10,843	11,324	0	11,324
Regular giving - non Gift Aided		15,906	269	16,175	20,094	824	20,918
Total Regular Giving	*1*	***95,140***	***7,572***	***102,712***	***93,217***	***4,265***	***97,482***
Ad hoc giving							
Ad-hoc giving inc Gift Days- Gift Aided		1,330	2,505	3,835	0	10,828	10,828
Ad-hoc giving inc Gift Days - non GA		1,150	2,056	3,206	0	2,252	2,252
Total Ad hoc giving		***2,480***	***4,560***	***7,040***	***0***	***13,080***	***13,080***
Gift Aid ***Gift Aid recovered***		***21,127***		***21,127***	**21,140**	**0**	**21,140**
Other donations							
Grant income		13,000	6,022	19,022	10,004	8,155	18,159
Legacies		21,463	0	21,463	0	0	0
Fundraising activities		0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Other donations	*2*	***34,463***	***6,022***	***40,485***	***10,004***	***8,155***	***18,159***
Other income							
Income from investments		1,041		1,041	670	0	670
Fees retained		3,166		3,166	1,414	0	1,414
Trading activities - hire, books, WA		10,762	1,295	12,057	10,685	405	11,090
Total Other income	*3*	***14,969***	***1,295***	***16,264***	***12,769***	***405***	***13,174***
Total Receipts		**168,180**	**19,449**	**187,629**	**137,130**	**25,905**	**163,035**
PAYMENTS							
Fundraising costs		***0***	***0***	***0***	0	0	0
Church activities							
Mission giving and donations	4	(15,612)	(2,825)	(18,437)	(11,415)	(6,562)	(17,977)
Diocesan Parish Share / Quota paid		(22,128)	0	(22,128)	(24,257)	0	(24,257)
Salaries, Wages and Honoraria		(41,414)	0	(41,414)	(54,340)	(200)	(54,540)
Staff expenses		(3,662)	(1,336)	(4,998)	(3,376)	(939)	(4,315)
Total Church activities		*(82,816)*	*(4,161)*	*(86,977)*	***(93,388)***	***(7,701)***	***(101,089)***
Church expenses							
Mission and evangelism costs	5	(3,756)	(6,805)	(10,561)	(3,808)	(4,068)	(7,876)
Church running expenses	6	(22,463)	(7,252)	(29,715)	(18,273)	(5,678)	(23,951)
Church utility bills		(8,478)	0	(8,478)	(7,824)	0	(7,824)
Costs of trading	7	(11,278)	0	(11,278)	(10,375)	(100)	(10,475)
Church expenses		*(45,974)*	*(14,057)*	*(60,031)*	***(40,280)***	***(9,846)***	***(50,126)***
Building costs							
Major repairs to church building		0	0	0	(2,097)	(6,080)	(8,177)
Major Repairs to Hall / Other PCC Property		0	0	0	0	0	0
New building work		0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Building costs	*8*	*0*	*0*	*0*	***(2,097)***	***(6,080)***	***(8,177)***
Other costs *Other costs*				*0*	0	0	0
Total Payments		(128,791)	(18,218)	(147,008)	**(135,765)**	**(23,627)**	**(159,392)**
Surplus / Deficit		39,389	1,232	40,621	**1,365**	**2,278**	**3,643**

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RECEIPTS	2025 Unrestricted £	2025 Restricted £	2025 Total £	2024 Unrestricted £	2024 Restricted £	2024 Total £
1. Regular giving						
Number of planned givers			59			57
Average donation per month			£129.76			£125.96
Total Standing order	84,747	7,122	91,869	81,893	4,265	86,158
Cash / unknown	0	0	0	0	0	0
Collections at services	10,393	450	10,843	11,324	0	11,324
Total Regular giving	**95,140**	**7,572**	**102,712**	**93,217**	**4,265**	**97,482**
2. Grant income						
St Johns	3,000	0	3,000	3,000	0	3,000
Gospel Trust	10,000	0	10,000	5,004	0	5,004
Manchester Diocese	0	4,722	4,722	0	8,155	8,155
Gospel Partners Trust	0	0	0	2,000	0	2,000
Other	0	1,300	1,300	0	0	0
Legacy	21,463	0	21,463	0	0	0
Total Grant Income	**34,463**	**6,022**	**40,485**	**10,004**	**8,155**	**18,159**
3. Other income						
Fees retained	3,166	0	3,166	1,414	0	1,414
2024 weekend away	0	0	0	6,420	0	6,420
2025 weekend away	8,843	0	8,843	1,057	0	1,057
2026 weekend away	444	0	444	0	0	0
Books	325	0	325	472	0	472
'Loan' repayments	0	1,295	1,295	0	405	405
Interest on deposit accounts	1,041	0	1,041	670	0	670
Other trading income	1,150	0	1,150	0	0	0
Total Other Income	**14,969**	**1,295**	**16,264**	**10,033**	**405**	**10,438**

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PAYMENTS	2025 Unrestricted £	2025 Restricted £	2025 Total £	2024 Unrestricted £	2024 Restricted £	2024 Total £
4. Mission giving						
AIM - Shepherds	4,332	0	4,332	1,332	3,000	4,332
SIM - Mackies	3,180	0	3,180	2,650	0	2,650
OMF - Marshalls	3,996	0	3,996	3,330	0	3,330
SIM - Judith Skelton	3,504	0	3,504	3,503	0	3,503
Drug rehab centre Pakistan	0	773	773	0	3,562	3,562
SIM - Niger pastor training	0	2,052	2,052			
UCCF	600	0	600	600	0	600
Total Mission expenditure	**15,612**	**2,825**	**18,437**	**11,415**	**6,562**	**17,977**
5. Mission and evangelism costs						
Foodbank	0	4,057	4,057	0	3,948	3,948
Youth, Coffee/Conversation, Ctunes	4,556	0	4,556	3,808	120	3,928
Cantonese ministry / outreach	0	1,338	1,338			
Community Café	0	610	610			
Total Mission and Evangelism	**4,556**	**6,005**	**10,561**	**3,808**	**4,068**	**7,876**
						0
6. Church running expenses						
Insurance	5,173	0	5,173	4,986	0	4,986
AV	766	0	766	1,397	0	1,397
Hardship	0	2,488	2,488	0	3,613	3,613
Garden	2,060	0	2,060	2,040	0	2,040
HBC	606	706	1,312	354	865	1,219
Holiday at Home	563	0	563	433	0	433
Courses for volunteers	0	0	-00	0	1,200	1,200
Feasibilty Study drawings	0	2,760	2,760			
Printing / photocopier	1,763	0	1,763	1,769	0	1,769
Internet and website	534	0	534	922	0	922
CCLI	985	0	985	959	0	959
Fire protection + PAT testing	1,208	0	1,208	806	0	806
Roof and gutters etc	408	0	408	180	0	180
Cooker + Dishwasher	514	1,298	1,812	0	0	0
Other	7,883	0	7,883	4,427	0	4,427
Total Church Running Expenses	**22,463**	**7,252**	**29,715**	**18,273**	**5,678**	**23,951**
7. Cost of Trading						
2024 weekend away	0	0	0	8,999	0	8,999
2025 weekend away	11,061	0	11,061	1,050	0	1,050
Books	216	0	216	326	100	426
Total Cost of Trading	**11,278**	**0**	**11,278**	**10,375**	**100**	**10,475**
8. Building costs - Major Repairs						
Heating repairs	0	0	0	1,506	0	1,506
Carpet + flooring	0	0	0	591	6,080	6,671
Total building cost	**0**	**0**	**0**	**2,097**	**6,080**	**8,177**

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St Clements Church Higher Openshaw PCC
Restricted / Designated Funds information
Year ended 31 December 2025
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	Restricted / Designated					Gift Aid
	b/f	Income	Expenditure	Transfer	c/f	Available
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Restricted						
Pakistan Drug Rehab centre (MGD24)	125	**610**	(773)	38	0	
Other cross cultural mission	0	**450**	0		450	
Foodbank	7,617	**1,962**	(4057)		5,522	2,599
Hardship fund	2,959	**2,085**	(2488)		2,556	1,238
Holiday Bible Club	0	**3,306**	(706)		2,600	261
Courses: Staff and volunteers	861	**0**	(1336)		0	
Community café	1,800	**1,517**	(1908)		1,409	155
Cantonese ministry	0	**2,022**	(1338)		684	
Feasibility Study	0	**5,000**	(2760)		2,240	1,250
Other - eg Caroline Cobb concert	50	**800**	(800)		50	
SIM - Niger pastoring - MGD '25	0	**1,697**	(2052)	355	0	
Total Restricted	**13,412**	**19,449**	**(18218)**	**393**	**15,511**	**5,503**
Designated						
Cross Cultural Missions - designated	7,311	13,713	(15012)		6,012	
Total Designated	**7,311**	**13,713**	**(15012)**	**0**	**6,012**	
Total Restricted and Designated	**20,723**	**33,162**	**(33230)**	**393**	**21,523**	

St Clements Church Higher Openshaw PCC
Balance Sheet information
Year ended 31 December 2025
Charities Commission 1198190

	As at 31 Dec 2025	As at 31 Dec 2024	Diff
	£	£	£
Cash	169	0	169
Natwest Current Account	18,856	12,085	6,771
Natwest Mission Account	14,502	17,862	(3360)
CBF Deposit Accounts	54,209	17,168	37,041
Net monetary assets	**87,736**	**47,115**	**40,621**

For information only

		As at 31 Dec-25	As at 31 Dec-24
		£	£
Assets (see below)	Assets retained for charity's own use	22,000	23,000
Gift Aid Receivable	Other Monetary Assets	1,026	493
Loans receivable	Other Monetary Assets	2,331	2,167
Advanced receipts	Liabilities	(444)	(2,709)
Advanced payments	Other Monetary Assets	1,050	1,050
Other creditors	Liabilities	(344)	0
Expenses claimed not paid	Liabilities	(536)	(219)
Net assets / liabilities excl cash		**25,083**	**23,782**

Assets retained for Charities use

Description	b/f	New	Estimated Value Disposed	Adj	c/f
Silverware	10,000	0	0	0	10,000
Bluther Grand Piano	10,000	0	0	0	10,000
AV Equipment	3,000	0	0	(1000)	2,000
Total estimated value	**23,000**	**0**	**0**	**(1000)**	**22,000**

Gift Aid receivable

Date cash received	Claim period	Period relating to 2024 and before	2025	Total
6/12/25 - 31/12/25	Dec-25	-	1026	1026
Total Gift Aid Receivable		**-**	**1026**	**1026**

Advanced payments / receipts

Description	Advanced receipt	Advanced payment	Net
2026 weekend away	(444.00)	1,050.00	606.00
			606.00

Committed funding for mission partners

No committed funding at 31 December 2025 although the PCC forsee being in a position to enable at least the existing level of funding for our current cross cultural mission partners for at least 12 months.

CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of	THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST. CLEMENT, HIGHER OPENSHAW		
On accounts for the year ended	31st December 2025	**Charity no (if any)**	1198190
Set out on pages			

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/12/2025 .

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

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

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn 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:		**Date:**	19/03/2026
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