

**Kirk of Calder Parish
(Church of Scotland)**

**REPORT AND ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020**

Congregation No: 020148

Charity No: SC 013461

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Reference and Administrative Information

Charity Name: **Kirk of Calder Parish (Church of Scotland)**

Charity Registration Number: SC013461

Congregation Reference No: 020148

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Trustees

Kirk Session members:

Rev. John Povey, Susan Adams, Yasmine Akyeampong, Eleanor Blair, James Blair, Margaret Brown, William Brown, Annette Caulfield, Ann Clark, Mary Dandie, Wiltrud Farrell, Helen Findlay, David Grant, Margaret Hawthorne, James Hendrie, John Jamieson, Norman Laing, Ruth Lang, Andrew Lindsay, Dianne Lowe, Nicola McInnes, Jeanette McLauchlan, Andrew McLeman, David MacRae, Ann McWhir, Douglas Millar, Robert Pendreigh, John Rankine, Mary Rankine, Irvine Roy, Linda Scott, Kevin Shiach, Alice Tait, Gavin Walker, Marjorie Watson, Peter Weir and Kenneth Wilson.

Congregational Board members:

Jacqui Campbell, Amy Cornelius, Gillian Cornelius, Ann Haddow, Eleanor Hawthorne, Gillian Hendrie, Evelyn Hood, Anne Hughes, Iain Lang, Russell Neil, Derek Wallace, Ian Wallace, Audrey Watson and Andrew White.

Principal Office-bearers

Minister: Rev. John Povey

Session Clerk: Kenneth Wilson

Clerk to the Board: Audrey Watson

Church Treasurer: Ian Wallace

Independent Examiner

Arlene Levick
33 Wallace Mill Gardens, Mid Calder EH53 0BE

Bankers

Clydesdale Bank
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**Kirk of Calder Parish (Church of Scotland)
Trustees' Annual Report
Year ended 31 December 2020**

Structure, Governance and Management

Governing Document

The Church is administered in accordance with the terms of the Deed of Constitution.

Recruitment and Appointment of Trustees

Members of the Kirk Session and the Congregational Board 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. The Congregational Board is appointed from within the congregation and members of the congregation are invited to nominate individuals who are believed to have the skills and commitment to contribute to the management affairs of the Church, to become members of the Board. Board Members are then appointed at the Stated Annual Meeting and serve for a period of up to three years after which they may seek re-election at the next Stated Annual Meeting.

Organisational Structure

The Congregational Board is chaired by the minister and normally meets eight times in a year. Certain responsibilities are delegated to the Finance Committee and the Property Committee as appropriate. The Kirk Session which normally meets eight times a year is responsible for spiritual affairs within the church.

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. Until the outbreak of the Covid-19 pandemic, the Kirk of Calder Parish has a Service of Worship every Sunday and on other dates appropriate to traditional Christian festivals; and has a mid-week Service at Pumpherston every fortnight. All ages are included in all Worship, Stewardship and Community Activities.

Achievements and Performance

Prior to the outbreak of the Covid-19 pandemic, the physical attendance at Services of Worship was around 100 including Sunday School children. From April 2020, Services of Worship were delivered online via the church's Facebook page. Fellowship is fostered through organisations (such as The Guild, The Boys' Brigade, Bible Study Group, the Choir, the Friends and the Social Group) and numerous social events during the year (such as Daffodil Tea, coffee mornings, concerts, summer barbecue, Christmas parties, teas and occasional soup lunches in the hall after worship and other activities). Christian education and awareness, including Stewardship, is nurtured among all ages through involvements in events at Harvest time, Christian Aid Week and Regular Fund Raising (clothing bank, easyfundraising, etc.). The congregation operates a weekly Fair Trade Café in support of the work of The Vine Trust in Tanzania. Three times a year a team of volunteers supports the Bethany Christian Trust by serving hot meals to homeless people in Edinburgh. All activities (except for the clothing bank) were severely disrupted after the outbreak of the Covid-19 pandemic.

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Trustees' Annual Report (cont'd)
Year ended 31 December 2020

Financial Review

The principal sources of income are weekly freewill offerings (FWO envelopes and open plate) and monthly standing orders. Between lockdowns (when permitted) the church opened every other Saturday to receive donations (FWO envelopes, deficit appeal envelopes and other donations). Open plate was impacted due to there being no church services with physical attendance, however, the Trustees are pleased to report increase givings by way of standing orders due to a pre-Covid stewardship initiative. Overall, offerings decreased in comparison to the previous year mainly due to there being no open plate since April 2020 despite offset from other favourable donation streams (Easter & Deficit Appeal). The Trustees are aware that the trend in offerings (and the tax recovery on Gift Aid donations) is falling in real terms (when taking inflation into account) and expenditure on the upkeep of the Fabric (buildings) is increasing, therefore, encourage members to review and increase their givings on an annual basis to boost Reserves and ensure the church remains on a sound financial footing.

Reserves Policy

Whenever possible it is the Trustees' policy to hold reserves of approximately three months expenditure including designated funds. At the year end the Church held unrestricted cash funds of £6,543 of which £24 had been designated for the fabric fund, £668 for the organ fund and the remaining balance of £5,851 for general purposes which almost covers 1 month's expenditure at £6,800 per month. The Church also held £1,748 of restricted funds for the purposes specified in Note 2.

Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

The members of the Kirk Session / Congregational Board 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 Kirk Session / Congregational Board 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 and the Regulations Anent Congregational Finance approved by the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland in 2007. 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 31st March 2021 and signed on their behalf

Kenneth Wilson
Session Clerk

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the Kirk of Calder Parish

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2020 which are set out on pages 5 to 9.

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.

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

An examination is carried out in accordance with Regulation 11 of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. 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, and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with Regulation 9 of the 2006 Accounts 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.

Arlene Levick

33 Wallace Mill Gardens, Mid Calder EH53 0BE

Date: 14th May 2021

Kirk of Calder Parish (Church of Scotland)
Receipts and Payments Account
Year ended 31 December 2020

		Unrestricted	Restricted	Endowment	Total	Total
		Funds	Funds	Funds	2020	2019
		2020	2020	2020	2020	2019
		£	£	£	£	£
<u>Receipts</u>	Note					
Donations	3	75,939	-	-	75,939	81,993
Legacies		-	-	-	0	-
Sale of Investments		-	-	-	0	-
Activities for Generating Funds		2,150	274	-	2,424	4,961
Bank & Deposit interest		0	4	4	8	8
Investment income		0	-	393	393	504
		<u>78,089</u>	<u>278</u>	<u>397</u>	<u>78,764</u>	<u>87,466</u>
Rental of premises		1,394	-	-	1,394	2,864
Grants		-	-	-	0	-
Other Receipts		302	-	-	302	1,340
		<u>79,785</u>	<u>278</u>	<u>397</u>	<u>80,460</u>	<u>91,670</u>
<u>Payments</u>	4					
Costs of generating funds		203	-	-	203	203
Charitable activities		81,196	129	0	81,325	89,795
Governance costs		-	-	-	-	-
		<u>81,399</u>	<u>129</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>81,528</u>	<u>89,998</u>
Excess of Receipts over Payments for the year before transfers		(1,614)	149	397	(1,068)	1,672
Transfers		671	(274)	(397)	0	0
Excess of Receipts over Payments for the year		(943)	(125)	0	(1,068)	1,672

Kirk of Calder Parish (Church of Scotland)
Statement of Balances
At 31 December 2020

	Unrestricted Funds 2020 Note	Restricted Funds 2020	Endowment Funds 2020	Total 2020	Total 2019
	£	£	£	£	£
<u>Bank & Deposit Balances</u>					
Bank & deposit balances					
brought forward	7,486	1,873	550	9,909	8,237
Movement in year:					
Excess of Receipts over Payments for the year	(943)	(125)	0	(1,068)	1,672
Bank & deposit balances					
carried forward	<u>6,543</u>	<u>1,748</u>	<u>550</u>	<u>8,841</u>	<u>9,909</u>
<u>Investments at market value</u>					
Church of Scotland Growth Fund	-	-	15,922	15,922	16,545
[Cost £2,256 - 2019: £2,256]					
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>15,922</u>	<u>15,922</u>	<u>16,545</u>
<u>Assets</u>					
None - Buildings owned by Church of Scotland	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
<u>Liabilities</u>					
Costs incurred but not yet billed	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

The accounts were approved by the Kirk Session and Financial Board on 31st March 2021.

Kenneth Wilson
Session Clerk

Ian Wallace
Treasurer

Kirk of Calder Parish (Church of Scotland)

Notes to the Accounts

Year ended 31 December 2020

1. Trustee Remuneration and Related Party Transactions

During the year 6 trustees received reimbursement of expenses incurred totalling £4,229. In addition Mr John Rankine and Mr & Mrs James & Eleanor Blair who are members of the Kirk Session received £3,952 and £4,217 respectively for providing their services as organist and (joint) church officer during the year.

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

2. Movements in Funds

	At 1 Jan 2020 £	Receipts £	Payments £	Transfers £	At 31 Dec 2020 £
Unrestricted funds					
Designated Fabric Fund	24	0	-	-	24
Designated Organ Fund	668	0	-	-	668
General Fund	6,794	79,785	(81,399)	671	5,851
	<u>7,486</u>	<u>79,785</u>	<u>(81,399)</u>	<u>671</u>	<u>6,543</u>
Restricted funds					
The Guild	1,359	274	(129)	(274)	1,230
Walker Grave Maintenance Fund	514	4	-	-	518
	<u>1,873</u>	<u>278</u>	<u>(129)</u>	<u>(274)</u>	<u>1,748</u>
Endowment funds					
Strachan Bequest	550	397	-	(397)	550
	<u>550</u>	<u>397</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>(397)</u>	<u>550</u>
Total funds	<u>9,909</u>	<u>80,460</u>	<u>(81,528)</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>8,841</u>

In addition to the cash and bank balances detailed above there are also investments held within the following Endowment fund:

Strachan Bequest at Market Value: £15,922 (Cost £2,256) [2019: £16,545 (Cost £2,256)]

Purposes of Designated Funds

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

Organ Fund: The Trustees have set aside funds for the maintenance of the organ which dates back to 1888.

Purposes of Restricted Funds

The Guild decides which organisations to support and therefore its funds are restricted.

Walker Grave Maintenance Fund: This is a fund to maintain the headstone on the Walker grave.

Purposes of Endowment Funds

Income from the Strachan Bequest is to be used for general purposes.

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Year ended 31 December 2020

	Unrestricted Funds 2020 £	Restricted Funds 2020 £	Endowment Funds 2020 £	Total 2020 £	Total 2019 £
3. Analysis of Donations					
WFO Scheme (including Gift Aid Donations)	53,503	-	-	53,503	54,713
Tax Recovered on Gift Aid Donations	12,455	-	-	12,455	14,186
Ordinary Offerings (Open Plate)	1,691	-	-	1,691	8,816
Easter and Deficit Appeal Offerings	5,344	-	-	5,344	2,883
Other Offerings, Donations etc	2,946	-	-	2,946	1,395
	<u>75,939</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>75,939</u>	<u>81,993</u>
4. Analysis of Payments					
Costs of generating funds					
Offering envelopes	<u>203</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>203</u>	<u>203</u>
Charitable activities					
Ministries & Mission allocation	55,544	-	-	55,544	53,702
(£56,581 Less Endowment Income of £1,037 [2019: £54,755 Less £1,053])					
Presbytery dues	540	-	-	540	815
Minister's expenses	1,131	-	-	1,131	2,015
Ministerial Assistance	60	-	-	60	480
Other staffing costs	8,169	-	-	8,169	8,008
Fabric repairs & maintenance ***	620	-	-	620	6,669
Equipment	-	-	-	-	-
Council Tax	2,711	-	-	2,711	2,610
Heat and light	5,839	-	-	5,839	7,071
Insurance	3,469	-	-	3,469	3,767
Printing, stationery and postage	152	-	-	152	681
Church office expenses (photocopier rental)	1,685	-	-	1,685	1,685
Organ & music	330	-	-	330	850
Sunday School	49	-	-	49	89
Hire of hall (Pumpherston)	208	-	-	208	294
Other expenses	689	129	-	818	1,059
	<u>81,196</u>	<u>129</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>81,325</u>	<u>89,795</u>
Governance costs					
Independent examiner's fees	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

Notes: *** Fabric repairs and maintenance costs were £620 (Church £Nil, Manse £620 & Hall £Nil)
[2019: £6,669 (Church £862, Manse £2,119 & Hall £3,688)]

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5. Minister's Stipend

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. Ministers' 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 £28,137 and the maximum stipend (after 5 years) £34,577.

	2020	2019
	£	£
6. Collections for Third Parties		
Christian Aid	178	1,805
Bethany Christian Trust (see note)	178	178
Church of Scotland - Milanje Project Malawi - - Watchnight Service Offering	-	606
CHAS - Watchnight Service Offering	-	-
Gideons International - West Lothian Branch	131	124
CrossReach	-	154
Leprosy Mission	-	10
Vine Trust - Oldeani Project	449	2,374
	<u>936</u>	<u>5,251</u>

Bethany Christian Trust - in addition to the £178 raised above (by way of retiring offering) towards their Shelter Appeal, Kirk volunteers two times served hot meals for homeless people in Edinburgh, the food being provided at a cost of £206 (2019: £288 three times).

7. Donations made to Third Parties through fund raising by The Guild

Church of Scotland - National Guild Project - Boys' Brigade	-	250
Church of Scotland - National Guild Project - Malawi Fruit	-	250
Church of Scotland - National Guild Project - Mission International	-	-
Church of Scotland - National Guild Project - Prospects All Friends Together	-	-
Mary's Meals	-	100
Bethany Christian Trust	-	100
Gideons International - West Lothian Branch	-	-
Diabetes West Lothian	-	-
	<u>0</u>	<u>700</u>

In addition, during the year, The Guild gifted £274 to the Church for general purposes (2019: £770). This has been shown as a movement between Restricted and Unrestricted reserves.

8. Accounting convention

These accounts are prepared on a strictly cash basis.