

How Christ Church uses your donations

Budget 2018 (unrestricted funds)



Maintaining our building – £45 thousand

Our beautiful Church, opened in 1848 and lovingly reconfigured for modern worship in the 1980s, acts a beacon of faith in Highbury. Your support enables us to keep the Church open for worship and for our wide range of community activities, by ensuring that it is warm, comfortable, well-lit and safe.

Common Fund - £85 thousand

The Diocese of London serves over 6 million people across 400 parishes. Each Church within the Diocese contributes to a 'Common Fund', according to its size and resources. In doing so, we are able to fund God's mission in places where people do not have the financial resources to meet the cost of ministry. We also receive money from the Common Fund, and this covers the modest costs of employing and accommodating our vicar Andy.



Young People's Ministry - £5 thousand

Whilst we have a strong Junior Church we look forward to building our young people's ministry by the recruitment of a Children's/Youth Worker. £4,500 has been put aside this year towards funding this recruitment (the remainder is for the provision of Scripture Union learning materials, craft supplies and equipment).

Other Ministry - £24 thousand

This includes our contribution to outreach activities such as the Night Shelter but also includes our obligation to maintain and renovate the interior decoration of the Vicarage which has been a significant expense this year.

Charitable Giving - £14 thousand

We are pleased to support and follow the work of our mission partners: Cambodia Action, which relieves distress and poverty and promotes the Christian faith; the Church Army, which shares faith in the UK and overseas; the Church Mission Society working in the Middle East, and the Delhi Bible Institute in India. The Church also makes a more modest annual donation to St John's School.



Worship and Music Costs - £18 thousand

Liturgy and music enrich our worship. Your support keeps our piano tuned and our organ working, maintains our overhead projector, provides sheet music, and enables us to employ our Organist and a part-time Music Director.

In addition to Andy, our large congregation benefits hugely from the leadership and ministry of our Self-supporting Minister Tania and Licenced Lay Ministers Paddy and Polly.

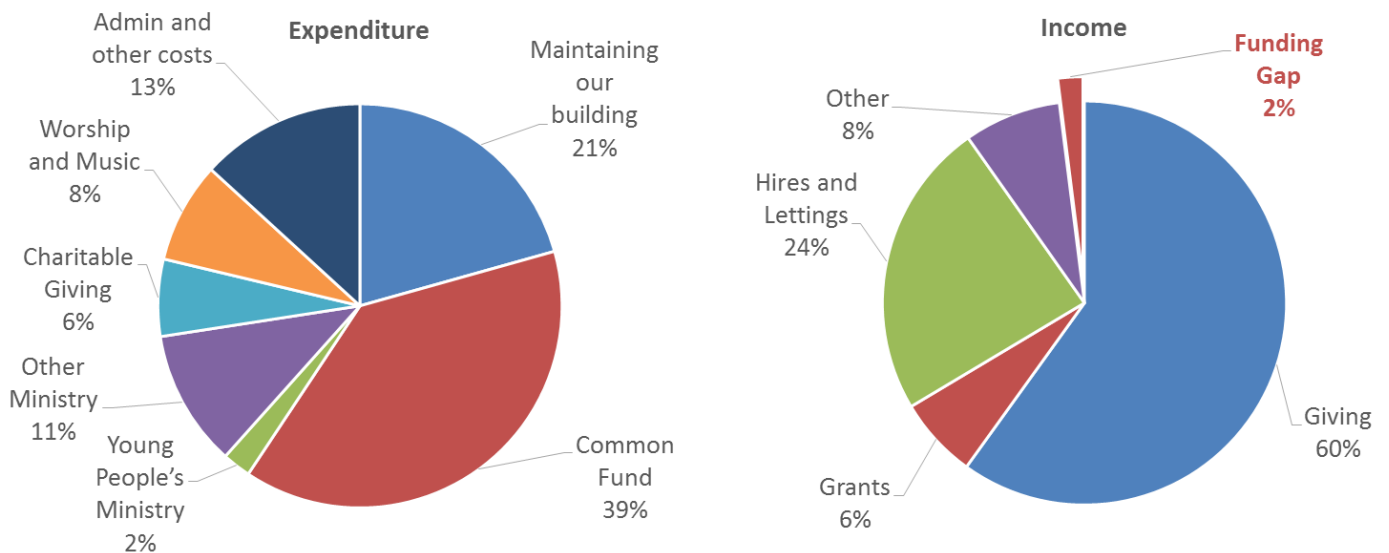


Administration and other costs - £29 thousand

Christ Church is a busy place! Your support enables us to fund our parish administrator and to cover the costs of essentials like communion supplies, hospitality and kitchen necessities.

This plan leaves us with a £5 thousand gap that means that this year we have only been able to put aside half of the £10 thousand we were intending for the recruitment of a youth worker.

Income and Expenditure 2018 (budget)



**More than half of our income comes from YOU, our congregation.
THANK YOU for your faith, generosity and commitment.**

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I have pledged to give £ per month/week