

# REPORT OF THE CHURCH HYMNARY TRUSTEES A REGISTERED SCOTTISH CHARITY (SCOTTISH CHARITY NO. SC002769) TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE CHURCH OF SCOTLAND IN RESPECT OF THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

## Proposed Deliverance

### The General Assembly:

1. Receive the Report.

## Report

### 1. CHURCH HYMNARY 4<sup>TH</sup> EDITION AND SUPPLEMENT

- 1.1 In the year to 30 September 2024 the sales of the various editions were as follows:-

Words:	261 copies compared with 231 (2023)
Full Music Edition:	358 copies compared with 310 (2023)
Melody Edition:	269 copies compared with 76 (2023)
Large Print Edition:	230 copies compared with 113 (2023)
CD-Rom:	21 copies compared with 24 (2023)
God Welcomes All	1,277 units

- 1.2 The commission due to the Trust calculated in respect of the year to 30 September 2024 in respect of CH4 was £4,797.42 compared with £1,370.40 in the previous year. From this, royalties were payable to the authors of £5,579.44, the first £2,000 of which is met by the publishers with net commission due to the Trust of £1,217.98.

### 2. CURRENT WORK

- 2.1 The Trustees are pleased to report that they agreed a grant of £2,760 to a congregation in the Borders as a contribution to the cost of a modern projector to facilitate hymn singing during worship and online.

### 3. FUNDING FOR PROJECTS

- 3.1 The Trustees affirm their wish to encourage more applications for grants to be made from trust funds, particularly where the applications relate to local training purposes. Enquiries can be sent to the Secretary Anne Steele by email [asteele@churchofscotland.org.uk](mailto:asteele@churchofscotland.org.uk) or by post to the Church offices, 121 George Street, Edinburgh EH2 4YN. The Trust purposes include: -

"the advancement of the Christian faith through the promotion and development of hymnody in Scotland with particular reference to the Church of Scotland by assisting in the development, promotion, provision and understanding of hymns, psalms and paraphrases suitable for use in public worship... to enable the Church, and in particular the Church of Scotland, to worship in ways which are relevant to individual congregations or groups of congregations".

### 4. MEMBERSHIP

- 4.1 Membership remains unchanged.

*In the name of the Trustees*

PHILIP H BRODIE, *Chair*  
ANNE STEELE, *Secretary and Treasurer*