

Announcements – July 27, 2025

Welcome to today's worship service. We are grateful that you have joined us! If you are worshipping here for the first time, please sign the **Guest Book** in the Narthex, located at the back of the Sanctuary. An Usher would be pleased to offer you directions.

Highland Group welcomes young children into **the nursery**, outside the west doors of the Sanctuary.

Please join us following worship for **refreshments and fellowship** in New St. James Hall.

Rev. David will be on **vacation** until August 11. Should a pastoral need arise during this time, please reach out first to your district elder. This week, you may also contact The Rev. Andrew Thompson, who is providing pastoral coverage until August 3; he may be reached at 519.681.7242.

The **elevator** at New St. James will be out of service for maintenance from July 14 to July 27 (inclusive). We appreciate your patience during this time.

The **ABCs** of shopping for "Paul's Place" program (formerly St. Paul's Social Services):

All donations are greatly appreciated.

Baby food is always in short supply.

Cereals are a very popular item.

New **flooring** will be installed in the lower kitchen and the adjacent hallway. The dates for the installation are August 1-6; during this time, these areas will be completely inaccessible

MARKETPLACE 2025, November 8: Jams have been made and more are being made! Blueberries and peaches will be ready soon and hopefully they will be turned into preserves for our sale. Chutneys would make a nice addition to our table or maybe you have a unique recipe to try. It won't be long until it will be pickling season—have you got a favourite recipe that you could make for the preserve table? Pickles are very popular! We have some ½ pint(250 ml) and pint(500 ml) sealer jars available if you would like some. If you have some that you are not using, please donate them so our preserve makers can use them. Let's all work together and help raise funds for our church! For any further information, please contact Karen Buchwald at 519.641.6742 or at karenbuchwald@hotmail.com.

Advent by Candlelight is back! Ladies, mark your calendars for Sunday, November 30th and join us for an evening of fellowship, delicious desserts, and a beautiful celebration of Advent. Friends and family are welcome to this very special evening. A sign up sheet is posted in the NSJ Hall. Contact Deb Noble-Van Hees (denvhl@hotmail.com).

Financial Update, end of June 30, 2025:

	Jan-June 30, 2025	Jan-June 30, 2024	\$Change	%Change
Total Income	\$162,631	\$157,054	\$5,577	3.6%
Total Expense	\$184,722	\$194,562	-\$9,839	-5.1%
Net Income	\$-22,091	-\$37,508	\$15,416	

Did you know that if, on average, each member of NSJ increased their givings by only \$1.73 per week, that would add up to more than \$20,000 more for the ministry of our church? Together our givings make a big difference--and a little extra goes a long way!