

Announcements – August 17, 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.

New **flooring** is being installed in the lower kitchen and the adjacent hallway. This project began on August 1. These areas will be completely inaccessible until further notice.

From the **Mission and Social Action Committee**: Did you know New St. James has a budget line for Malawi? \$800 is sent quarterly to our contact to purchase fortified porridge, brown sugar, and school supplies for the children attending Timvane. This is the children's care centre our church had built in the village of Chipagala. The next donation will be sent in mid-August. Everyone is invited to contribute to this project and your donation will be added to the \$800.

The **Women's Missionary Society** welcomes Cathy Reid to our monthly meeting on Friday, September 5. Cathy will be in Canada and is making a trip to London, Ontario. She is happy to bring good news about her recent trip to Malawi. Please mark your calendars for Friday, September 5 at noon. This meeting is one week early. Lunch \$12. RSVP to Marg McGugan (me5mcgugan@gmail.com or 226.235.3153). Men and women welcomed. Come join us for fellowship and conversation.

MARKETPLACE 2025, Saturday, November 8. The season for preserves is moving along quickly. Jams can still be made. It is a good time for pickles. Tomatoes are ready so chili sauce and salsas can be prepared! It will soon be time for Red Pepper Jelly. Preserves are great sellers so the more we have, the more money we can make! We have 250 and 500 ml jars available and if you have any that you are not using, please donate them. All help is most appreciated! For further information, please contact Karen Buchwald at 519.641.6742 or karenbuchwald@hotmail.com.

Advent by Candlelight is back! Ladies, mark your calendars for Sunday, November 30 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 (denvh1@hotmail.com).

Announcements are an important way to keep the congregation informed about the ministry of NSJ. The weekly deadline for submitting a requested announcement is Wednesday at noon. Announcements are reserved for information regarding the ministry of New St. James and the Presbyterian Church in Canada.

There are now several options for you to provide regular **financial support** to New St. James:

- For Offering Envelopes, please call the Church Office (519.434.1127)
- Cheques may be mailed to NSJ: 280 Oxford St. E., London, ON N6A 1V4
- Pre-Authorized Remittance (PAR) it is a convenient way to give—and the church benefits from your steady contributions. Contributions are automatically debited from your bank account on the 20th of each month. To sign up for PAR, call the Church Office or visit www.newstjames.ca/donate-2
- To make an offering through e-transfer, please email Judi Le Blanc (Office Administrator) at admin@newstjames.ca

Income Tax statements are issued by New St. James each year by the end of February.

Thank you for supporting the life and mission of New St. James!