

## Announcements – Sunday, September 14, 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.

A **Bible Study** on the Gospel according to Luke will begin when the commentary, *Luke for Everyone* by Tom Wright arrives, hopefully by the end of September. Linda Robinson, who will lead the study has ordered enough copies for anyone interested. The study will be held Wednesday evenings from 7:00-9:00 p.m. for 6 weeks when we will break for Advent and Christmas. If you are interested and have any questions, please speak to Linda Robinson (519.474.4986 or robinson516@sympatico.ca).

**Sunday Morning Social Time:** Help would be appreciated to make and serve refreshments on Sunday mornings. Instructions and all materials are provided. A list has been posted on the bulletin board in New St. James Hall, so please sign up to help. For further information, please contact Karen Buchwald (519.641.6742 or karenbuchwald@hotmail.com).

**MARKETPLACE 2025**, Saturday, November 8. Our Marketplace is getting closer and there is a lot of work to do. Please plan on baking. The Baking Table convenors would appreciate cookies, especially Christmas cookies, for their cookie walk along with other favourites such as butter tarts, pies, loaves, squares or whatever your own favourite is. Items for the Deli Table can certainly be prepared now and frozen—we have room in our freezers here at the church to store them. Soups, baked beans, pies, apple crisps, meat pies, quiche (fresh or frozen) have been popular or maybe you have a favourite. We will have gift baskets for sale and if you have something at home that you think could be part of a basket (for example, an item that you wish to regift!) please bring it to the lower kitchen marked “for baskets.” HELP will be needed! Help will be needed to make fruit pies and turkey pies. Please let Karen know if you would like to help. Help will be needed to work on Thursday and Friday before the sale and also to work on the day of the sale. Please volunteer! To do this, or for further information please contact Karen Buchwald (519.641.6742 or karenbuchwald@hotmail.com).

From the **Mission and Social Action Committee:**

On behalf of the congregation, the Committee donated \$800 to Ark Aid Mission.

The Committee reports that “Paul’s Place” at St. Paul’s Cathedral has a good supply of egg cartons and yoghurt containers. Thus, the Committee is putting a hold on collecting those items.

Items in our food cupboard have been delivered to St. Paul’s Cathedral. Volunteers there were most appreciative of the donations.

**Advent by Candlelight** is back! Ladies and gentlemen, yes that’s correct, gentlemen are also invited to Advent by Candlelight on November 30! 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. Sign up in NSJ Hall or contact Deb Noble-Van Hees at denvh1@hotmail.com.

### Financial Update, end of August 2025:

	Jan-Aug 31, 2025	Jan-Aug 31, 2024	\$Change	%Change
Total Income	\$225,247	\$202,083	\$23,164	11.46%
Total Expense	\$248,554	\$243,040	\$5,514	2.27%
Net Income	-\$23,307	-\$40,957	\$17,650	43.09%