

Announcements

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.

Old North Community Safety Project is having a town hall meeting on Tuesday, March 3 at 7:00 p.m. in NSJ Hall to discuss how to decrease crime and increase safety in our neighbourhood.

This year, we are marking the 100th anniversary of our Casavant organ! To celebrate this milestone, there will be a special **organ concert** featuring Dr. Michael Unger, an award-winning organist who formerly played the organ here at New St. James. The concert is **this Tuesday, March 4 at 7:00 p.m.** Tickets can be purchased at the door by cash or Interac at the cost of \$35 for adults and \$15 for students.

World Day of Prayer 2026 Service will be held at Trinity Lutheran Church (corner of Oxford and Colborne Streets) on Friday, March 6 at 2:00 p.m. This year's focus is on Nigeria with the theme "I Will Give You Rest: Come". Refreshments will be available after the service. The church is fully accessible and all are welcome.

From the Mission and Social Action Committee:

"Back to Basics" time is here,
(a Lenten project we do each year),
it's hygiene products and new socks we need,
and new underwear, too, would help out indeed!

This outreach mission will run until April 5th (Easter Sunday), after which donations will be distributed to various agencies in London.

The Session is pleased to share exciting news about ministry at NSJ. In September 2023, the Session began exploring the creation of a **Children & Youth Ministry Leader** position; after careful discussion and planning, it was agreed to develop a three-year pilot project funded not through the operational budget but rather through grants, pledges, and other special funding. Grant applications were submitted to the Presbytery of London and to the PCC Creative Ministries with Children and Youth Fund -- and we are excited to share that both applications were successful! NSJ was awarded a total of \$34,000 (\$18,000 from the Presbytery and \$16,000 from Creative Ministries). With these successful grants in place, the Session is continuing to move forward to create this ministry position. Stay tuned for more updates.

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 Nancy Manners (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!