## Announcements - February 9th, 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.

The **Annual Congregational Meeting** will take place in the Sanctuary immediately following worship this morning. After the meeting, we will enjoy a luncheon in New St. James Hall hosted by the Women's Council.

Women's Council has posted a list on the bulletin board in New St. James Hall where you can offer to help prepare, serve, and clean up for **coffee hours on Sunday mornings**. You will work with Karen Buchwald to help her get the refreshments ready before the start of the service.

**New St. James Women's Missionary Society** will meet on Friday, February 14 at noon. Lunch will be served at a cost of \$10 and everyone is welcome. Our programme will be the Nepal Study written by Rev. Theresa McDonald Lee.

Please join us on Friday February 14 for a **chili supper**. We are looking for members to supply their favourite chili and/or pie. Great opportunity to bring family and friends to enjoy chili and fellowship. \$15.00 for those 15 and over, \$5.00 for 14 and under. Please contact Tom Dekay (tdekay@dekay.ca) or Rob McGugan (rgmcgugan@gmail.com)

World Day of Prayer 2025 Service will be held here at New St. James on Friday, March 7 at 2:00 p.m. This year's focus is on the Cook Islands located in the south Pacific. The theme is "I Made You Wonderful" based on Psalm 139:14. Six different denominational churches in the area will be participating. Refreshments will be served following the program. All are welcome.

The **WMS** mission trip to Malawi in May is fast approaching. We wondered if there is anyone who would like to join us as we travel to work on projects with our friends in Chipagala. Please speak to Cathy Reid (reidc@rogers.com) for more information.

**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!

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 NSI: 280 Oxford St. E., London, ON N6A IV4
- 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 20<sup>th</sup> 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 Felicia Pereira (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!

A reminder to all NSJ groups and committees: please remember to **book your meeting space** in advance by contacting Felicia Pereira in the Church Office.