

New St. James Presbyterian Church

A Mission Church

“Following Christ, Worshipping God, Serving Others”

Mission Awareness Sunday, May 27, 2018



Serving You Today

Worship Leader: *Dr. David Pándy-Szekeres*

Director of Music: *Torin Chiles*

Readers: *Members of the Women's Missionary Society*

Welcome Team: *Irwandi Yusuf, Sonya & John Malone, Ann McClatchey,*

Mary Lou & Ian McCrimmon, Rosemary Whittaker

Counters: *Jim Hoskin, Ann McClatchey, Ian McCrimmon*

Hall Shepherd: *Karen Buchwald*

Nursery: *Pat Goud, Ann Morris*

Church School: *Telly Lenkey, Deb Noble-Van Hees*

Hospitality: *Coffee & Dessert provided by WMS*

Stewart Library: *Open Every Sunday*

Note to Visitors: Church School at New St. James starts at 10:30 am, when the children and teens meet downstairs. They join the congregation in the sanctuary for Our Church Family Together. For directions to the Lower Hall, please ask an usher.

*** Please stand, if able**

We Gather to Worship God

Prelude *A Medley of Hymns*

Eva Murray

*** Trumpet fanfare for the Entry of the Bible and the Processional Hymn**

Lord of Light, whose name and splendour (Bethany)

769

Welcome

*** Call to Worship based on Psalm 62:5–8**

L: For God alone our souls wait in silence

C: Our hope is from God

L: God alone is our rock and salvation

C: God is our fortress; we shall not be shaken

L: God liberates and protects his people

C: God is our refuge and strength

L: Trust in God at all times, O people!

C: We pour out our hearts before the Lord!

L: For God alone our souls wait in silence

C: Now is the time to break our silence and worship God!

Prayer of Approach

Words of Assurance

Introit: *As A Fire Is Meant For Burning*

M. Haugan (©1992)

As a fire is meant for burning with a bright and warming flame, so the church is meant for mission, giving glory to God's name. Not to preach our creeds or customs, but to build a bridge of care, we join hands across the nations, finding neighbours everywhere. As a green bud in the springtime is a sign of life renewed, so may we be signs of oneness 'mid earth's peoples, many-hued. As a rainbow lights the heavens when a storm is past and gone, may our lives reflect the radiance of God's new and glorious dawn. [Text: Ruth Duck (©1981)]

Echo Reading: Micah 6:6-8 We walk humbly with our God

We Hear the Word of God

Anthem *Prayer For Partnership* T. Mitchell (©1990)

Called as partners in Christ's service, called to ministries of grace, we respond with deep commitment, fresh new lines of faith to trace. May we learn the art of sharing, side by side and friend with friend, equal partners in our caring to fulfill God's chosen end. Christ's example, Christ's inspiring, Christ's dear call to work and worth, let us follow, never faltering, reconciling folk on earth. Men and women, richer, poorer, all God's people, young and old, blending human skills together, gracious gifts from God unfold. Thus new patterns for Christ's mission in a small or global sense, help us bear each other's burdens, breaking down each wall or fence. Words of comfort, words of vision, words of challenge said with care, bring new power and strength for action, make us colleagues free and fair. So God grant us for tomorrow ways to order human life that surround each person's sorrow with a calm that conquers strife. Make us partners in our living, our compassion to increase, messengers of faith, thus giving hope and confidence and peace. Amen. [Text: Jane Parker Huber (©1981)]

Unison prayer for illumination:

God of wisdom and love, as your Word is read, enable us to hear, with receptive hearts, your call to live as ambassadors of your grace. In Jesus' name. Amen.

Gospel Lesson Luke 17:7-9
Matthew 18:3

Pg. 80 in N.T.
Pg. 19 in N.T.

Solo *Here I Am, Lord* D. Schutte (©1981); arr. L. Larson (©2011)

I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry. All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save. I, who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright. Who will bear My light to them? Who shall I send? Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard You calling in the night. I will go, Lord, if You lead me. I will hold Your people in my heart. I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne My people's pain. I have wept for love of them – they turn away. I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone. I will speak My Word to them. Whom shall I send? I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame; I will set a feat for them. My hand will save. Finest bread I will provide, 'til their hearts be satisfied. I will give My life to them. Whom shall I send? *Here I am, Lord...*

Sermon

Dr. David Pándy-Szekeres

We Respond in Faith and Service

- * **Hymn of Faith** *We are one in the Spirit* 471

Prayers for the World and New St. James

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen

Offering and Offertory *We Are All One In Mission (Kuortane)*
Finish folk tune; arr. M. Sedio (©1998)

The Tim Hortons and Starbucks cups are a fun way to raise money by contributing the loose change we have. The two cups are separately tracked to see which does better over the year. The money is earmarked for the deficit for 2018. **Target is \$10,000. Collections as of May 20th, Tim Hortons \$1,794.20 and Starbucks \$837.86 for a grand total of \$2,632.06.**

- * **Doxology** 830
- * **Dedication of Offering**

Our Church Family Together

Announcements

Children's Time

- * **Hymn** *We are marching in the light of God (Siyahamba)* 639

Commissioning Dr. David Pándy-Szekeres

Sung Benediction and Amen

Go now in peace, never be afraid. God will go with you each and every day. Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true. Know He will guide you in all you do. Go now in love, and show you believe. Reach out to others so all the world can see: God will be there, watching from above. Go now in peace, in faith and in love. Amen, Amen, Amen.

Postlude *In Christ There Is No East Or West (McKee)*

H.T. Burleigh (1966-1949); arr. D. Wood (1989)



David and Anna Pándy-Szekeres

From 2000 till 2018, David and Anna Pándy-Szekeres served the Reformed Church of Sub-Carpathian Ukraine (RCCU), a church of ethnic Hungarians in Ukraine. David helped to post RCCU missionaries to designated mission fields and supervised their work. He also coordinated four Christian secondary schools that are renowned for their high academic standards and Christian teachings. Anna served the church as a teacher and was principal and founder of Nagybereg Reformed Church Secondary School.

MALAWI MISSION TEAM 2018

The dates are set – September 20 – October 14 – and the anticipation builds. At present we have 5 team members – Cathy Reid, Karen Baron, Gayle Harrison, Margaret Douglas and Debbie Kallender. Gayle is still looking for another optician to join the team.

We are going to be following up on the Eye Assessments from the previous trip in both Chipagala and Chuluchosema. Lenses are being made for the new eye glasses. We were able to buy 1000 pairs of frames at a very reduced cost.

We will be working with the Timvane Children's Centre in Chipagala where they have 112 boys and girls five days a week from 7:30 – 3:30. Please pray for the 3 volunteers who undertake this important work. They do not have any training or resources. The Centre is in need of a cooking shelter and we hope to have it built while we are there. The cost will be approximately \$1,500. We will use a local contractor which will provide work and income for the people.

Mount Moria School which we helped to open two years ago will have just started a new session and we hope to spend some time with the students and staff. We will be able to provide new resources for the school.

The Church has a new Minister and he is keen to work with us. It will be good to meet him and strengthen our partnership.

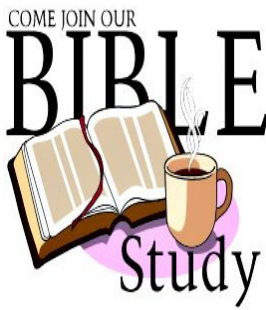
Our dear friends Rev. Silas and Margaret Ncozana are helping us organize our accommodation and visas. We will spend five days with them in Chuluchosema and during that time Eye Assessments will be followed up from our last visit. We will visit the school and children's centre as well as their wonderful church. It is a privilege to work with these amazing people.

We are now restricted to two suitcases each, so we cannot take everything we would like. By the time we pack the eye glasses and feminine hygiene kits our cases are full. If you would like to donate we would ask if you could put money into the Malawi Fund through the offering or by dropping off a cheque at the office. This way we can buy supplies in Malawi and put money into their economy. They do need a lot of medical and school supplies and we know we can buy them in Blantyre.

Please remember the team in your prayers as we prepare for our Mission Trip.



The New St James Book Club will meet Monday, May 28 at 1:30PM, at Pat Shaver's home. This month we will be discussing Burial Rites by Hannah Kent. Everyone is welcome. For more information speak with Pat (519 434 7973).



Monday night Bible study will continue with the study of The Lord's Prayer. This coming Monday's session will be "Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one." The study is titled "Tackling Temptation" and is based on John 17:6-19. With the purpose of causing us to take seriously our vulnerability to temptation and to rely on God's resources to overcome the temptation. Please contact Mike Ruggi for details.



We need volunteers to be ushers-greeters for Sunday services during the summer schedule in July and August. If you would like to volunteer for an entire month or individual Sundays, please contact John White at jtwhite_ca@yahoo.com or (519) 681-9043. Thanks!



Congregational church picnic is Sunday, June 10 at Gibbons Park immediately after the church service. Pot luck lunch, games, refreshments and home-grown FUN.



Saturday, June 16th, 11:00am-1:00pm will be our Annual Friendship Communion Luncheon. This is a wonderful opportunity to see and visit with our church members and their families who are unable to be with us every Sunday. More details forthcoming!

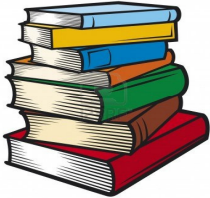


LOOKING FOR LEADERS TO DO CE SUMMER PROGRAM, beginning Sunday June 17th through to Sunday, September 9th. Lesson packages are complete, based on 'Favourite Bible Stories'. Sign up for one Sunday or more if you like. **Any questions, ask or call Karen Baron at 519-672-5427.**



Changing seasons and growing children can be difficult for young mothers. **As you change over from winter to summer clothing would you please donate gently used clothing for children up to size four.** If you do not have children's clothing and **would like to help the Pregnancy and Family Clinic,** they can also use baby and children toilet products. There will be a box in the office and any donation would be appreciated. The Service group will deliver them.

Thank you, Service Group



The Stewart Library:

Copies of Our Daily Bread are available in the Stewart Library and in the bookcase outside New St. James Hall, at no charge.

Lectionary Bible Study

Please join us Tuesdays at 10:30 am until noon. Each week, we will discuss the sermon and scripture readings.



“Quote of the Day”

“Everyone has his own specific vocation or mission in life; everyone must carry out a concrete assignment that demands fulfillment. Therein he cannot be replaced, nor can his life be repeated, thus, everyone's task is unique as his specific opportunity to implement it.”

Viktor E. Frankl

Pastoral Care: Please let the church know of illnesses, hospitalizations, births, deaths, and confidential prayer requests, by calling the office at 519-434-1127. Please contact Mary Lou McCrimmon to activate the prayer chain.

Stewardship Moments: Live like a shepherd, not like a wolf. Remember, recycling is an act of worship!

Christians for Environmental Stewardship

Check out our latest event flyer at church entrances. It contains all you need to know about upcoming events at NSJ. Please share with family, friends and neighbours!



CHRISTMAS MARKETPLACE, Saturday, November 17

It is time to get ready for our Bazaar this fall. We will have our delicious hot breakfast, a deli, preserve and bake table, a silent auction, a tombola table and a variety of vendors. PRESERVE season is almost here so please make a batch of your favourite for us to sell. **We would also appreciate donations** of any half pint and pint preserve jars to use when we make the large batches of chili sauce, jams etc. **For any further information, please call Karen Buchwald at 519-641-6742.**

FOOD CUPBOARD

Please consider donating soups, canned vegetables, tuna, cereals, diapers, women's sanitary supplies, toiletries, and 250, 500, 750 ml plastic containers to St. Paul's Daily Bread Program. Baskets are located at all entrances.



Enjoying school and pursuing dreams

Zindaba's story is not uncommon in many Malawian communities—children want to go to school but their families can't afford the fees. Zindaba feels very fortunate that her aunt paid for her first two years at school, a time the girl recalls with great joy. "The teachers were good and encouraged us a lot," she shares. Unfortunately, the expense became too great a struggle for her aunt. When Zindaba had to drop out, she never imagined she'd make it to university, but education support from PWS&D helped Zindaba pay her school fees and gave her support to pursue her dreams. Today, proudly displaying her university class scores, a smiling Zindaba talks about training to be an accountant.

PWS&D promotes the right to education for all

THIS WEEK AT NEW ST. JAMES

Monday, May 28

1:30 pm NSJ Book Club
6:30 pm Adult Bible Study
7:00 pm AA

Tuesday, May 29

10:00 am Activity Day at NSJ
10:30 am Lectionary Bible Study
5:00 pm Amabile

Wednesday, May 30

9:30 am Indoor Playground
(Reminder - next week we go to Doidge Park)

Thursday, May 31

1:30 pm Al-Anon
2:00 pm Service at Manor Village
7:30 pm Al-Anon
7:30 pm NSJ Choir Rehearsal

Friday, June 1

7:30 pm AA

Saturday, June 2

3:30 pm Junior Amabile Concert

Sunday, June 3

10:30 am Worship Service
3:30 pm CCNC

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