

**Sunday, November 17, 2024**



**Mission Statement:**

*Attract people to Christ*

*Teach them to live for Christ*

*Relate to them with the Love of Christ*

*Reach out with the Compassion of Christ*

**Vision Statement:**

We envision Murray Street Baptist Church being a Christ-centred, multi-generational, racially diverse, loving family. We encourage all to use their time, talent and treasure for God's glory and for the benefit of His church.

**“For I know the plans I have for you,” declares the Lord,  
“plans to prosper you and not to harm you,  
plans to give you Hope and a Future.”  
Jeremiah 29:11 (NIV) (emphasis added)**

**CANADIAN BAPTISTS of Ontario and Quebec - A family of churches, transformed by Christ, revealing God's Kingdom**

**We warmly welcome you** to Murray Street Baptist Church this morning. We hope you'll be blessed as you worship with us. Please join us for light refreshments in Webb Hall following the service.

Prelude	Anne Smith
Opening Prayer: The Apostle's Creed	Bonnie Pegler Worship Host
Scriptural Call to Worship: Psalm 103:1-5	
Musical Worship: <b>Open Our Eyes, Lord This Is Amazing Grace Everlasting God</b>	<b>#633</b>
The Wisdom of God Reading: Proverbs 15:29-33	
Gospel Reading: Matthew 14:1-12 (pg. 970)	Charlene Watkins
Offertory & <b>Doxology</b>	
Pastoral Prayer & Prayer of Petition	
Scripture Reading: Matthew 5:1-10; Romans 5:1-2	Rev. Chris Taylor
Message: Standing in Grace; Seeking to Grow	Rev. Chris Taylor
Closing Hymn: <b>Amazing Grace</b>	<b>#343</b>
Taking Our Love of God into the World/Blessing	
Postlude	Anne



**Praying for our CBOQ Sister Churches:** This week we pray for First Baptist Church, Houghton & First Baptist Church, Simcoe.

### M'Cheyne Bible Reading Plan

**Monday** Psalm 72

**Wednesday** Psalm 74

**Friday** Psalm 77

**Sunday** Psalm 78: 40-72

**Tuesday** Psalm 73

**Thursday** Psalm 74-76

**Saturday** Psalm 78:1-39



**Heart to Heart** meets at 10 a.m. in the Mary Nicholls Rm. Join us for coffee, then the study with Rev. Evelyn Moore of I Samuel & prayer,

**Church Family News:**

† **Needing Prayer:** Edie Faiers, Michael Fickling, Myrna & Colin Greer, Gordie Ireland, Diane Ivin, Shirley Nicholls, Brad & Michelle Peters, Janet & Andrew Shaw, Brenda Stanford and Paul Tabor.

☞ **Happy Birthday** to Sylvia Stahn (19<sup>th</sup>).

☞ **The rose on the pulpit** announces the birth of Sophia Howrath on October 26 to Megan Smith & Johnny Howrath, a first granddaughter for Ken And Anne Smith. Let's continue to pray for mom and baby.

**THIS WEEK at MURRAY STREET**

**MONDAY**

**November 18**

9:15 a.m. **Precept Bible Study** (Zoom) - Roger & Bev Bresee.

1 p.m. **Church Council** meeting.

**TUESDAY**

**November 19**

12:30 p.m. **Seniors Christmas Potluck Luncheon.**

**WEDNESDAY**

**November 20**

10 a.m. **Heart to Heart** Bible study (announcement inside).

**THURSDAY**

**November 21**

9:30 a.m. **Prayer Meeting** (online).

10-11:30 a.m. **Closet & Drop In.**

7 p.m. **Choir practice.**

**FRIDAY**

**November 22**

10 a.m. **Handbell practice.**

**SUNDAY**

**November 24**

9 a.m. **ActiveFaith** Bible study.

10:30 a.m. **Worship. Pastor Brad** preaching:  
Spiritual Prescription - Silencing Unbelief.

12:15 p.m. **Prayer for Revitalization.**

3-7 p.m. **Living Waters Mission Church.**

**There are many opportunities to serve the Lord at MSBC!** These areas include: Missions, Evangelism, Property, Audio/Visual, Worship, Greeters and Ushers, Hospitality, Finance and other areas. We would love, and **NEED**, to see everyone serving the Lord and His church in some capacity. Please contact the church office at [msbc@cogeco.net](mailto:msbc@cogeco.net) to let us know where you feel called to serve.

**Seniors, Seniors, Seniors! Food, Fun & Fellowship!**

Christmas Potluck Lunch

Tuesday, November 19 at 12 p.m.

Please bring a small gift \$10 limit

Come Ready to Have Fun!



Murray Street offers fresh vegetables, fruits and eggs for those wishing to add just a little more to their diets. Doors open around 3:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Distribution of food begins at 4:30 p.m. and remains open until food is gone or until 5:30 p.m. Donations of fresh fruits and vegetables are always welcome. Please contact the Church Office for more information. Phone: 705 745-4376

**Heads Up!** Memorial Christmas Poinsettias will be available again this year. Details to follow.

**Books - The Original Handheld Device: Now Available in the MSBC Library**

Featured Books are displayed on the table in the library

**Non-Fiction:**

*The Watchmaker's Daughter* by Larry Loftus – This is a well-written, informative, inspirational biography of Corrie ten Boom and her family. It is thoroughly researched and vividly describes the horrors, heartbreak and deprivation suffered by Corrie ten Boom during World War II. Her faith, hope, forgiveness, and good works are truly uplifting. There are many added details and photos that are not contained in Corrie's previous biography "The Hiding Place".

*Angels* by David Jeremiah – The author provides readers with a scripturally based, clearly written discussion of angels and their roles in the Christian life. Throughout the book, Jeremiah does an excellent job dispelling secular and religious myths and misconceptions through Biblical documentation. He also references revered Christian scholars that adds credibility to his clearly presented viewpoints.

Recommended to anyone who wants to learn about angels from a reliable source.

*God's Smuggler* by Brother Andrew – This is a classic missionary biography that chronicles the life of Brother Andrew, the founder of the Open Doors charity, which supports persecuted Christians worldwide. The narrative follows Andrew from his adventurous childhood, where he dreamt of becoming a spy and engaged in acts of sabotage against the Nazis, to his wartime experiences as a soldier where he sustained a serious injury. After his miraculous healing, Andrew embraced a life of faith and missionary work, venturing into communist countries to smuggle Bibles and support underground Christian communities. A beautiful story of one man's perseverance and faith in the Lord.

**Fiction:**

*The Bookshop of Secrets* by Mollie Rushmeyer – This is a mystery story with romantic elements featuring a broken young woman searching for clues to her family's legacy in missing old first edition books. The main character Hope has a tragic upbringing and her love interest Ronan, is burdened with a family curse. Yet they come together and continually prove to

each other that they are more than their pasts. The mystery of the missing books and the search for lost treasure is intricately woven into the story with plenty of twists and surprises.

*When Silence Sings* by Sarah Loudin Thomas – A beautifully written novel set in a small Appalachian town in 1930. Two families, the McLeans and the Harpes have been feuding with each other for generations. Things come to a head quickly after a McLean murders a Harpe in cold blood and disappears. Within the Harpe family is a godly man with a message from God to share the gospel with his sworn enemy. Like Jonah, he objects and runs away, but God has other plans! The story reminds us to look at the heart of a person and not just on

his or her actions.

*The Prodigal* by Brennan Manning – In “The Prodigal” we meet Jack Chisholm who is the founder of a mega church. He has become a successful TV pastor and author, reaching the lives of others. However, his values begin to change and when a night out turns into a PR nightmare, his church fires him as their pastor and his family are whisked away under the church's hidden protection. Life has hit rock bottom for Jack and soon he turns to the bottle. Enter his father who with arms wide open takes him back to his hometown. Jack is about to rediscover what it means to be part of a community and why he embraced missions and preaching the word of Christ. A modern twist on the story of The Prodigal Son.



## **PRAYERLINE**

### **Week of November 10**

#### **Africa**

- Pray for rain to support farmers across Africa during the upcoming planting season, providing enough water for crops to flourish.

#### **Europe**

- Praise God for the successful completion of a four-part New Student Orientation series! Around 20 new students and seekers joined outreach activities throughout October, experiencing the warmth and love of Christ through fellowship.
- Let's continue to pray that the seeds planted during these events will bear fruit and that these students will develop a deep, growing desire to know Jesus personally.
- Starting this month, Adult Sunday School will introduce a new study, *Knowing My Family of Origin*. This course is designed for both believers and seekers, helping participants understand how their family background influences their spiritual journey and relationships.
- Please pray that this study will foster spiritual growth, healing, and transformation, and that it will deepen connections with God and with one another.
- Pray for the children's and youth ministries in the church.
- Pray that they might come to know the Lord from a young age. Pray that the teachers would be wise and responsible in teaching the truth of the Bible.

#### **MENA**

- Pray for the team in Lebanon providing relief to displaced families amidst worsening conflict. Ask God to provide wisdom and resources for CBM partners as they continue serving despite many challenges.

### **Latin America and Caribbean**

- Pray for CBM partners in Guatemala and El Salvador as they work with new board members to build strong, effective ministries in their regions.
- Pray for unity, wisdom, and vision for their work.

### **Asia**

- Pray for flood recovery efforts in Thailand and Myanmar.
- Pray that families and communities will have the resilience and resources they need to rebuild their homes and lives.