

Attendance last Sunday: 75
General Fund offering: \$3,235.25 + year-to-date = \$109,928.21
General Fund contributions budgeted for all of 2018: \$218,488.55
Nehemiah Fund pledges: \$167,555.28; received to date: \$167,895.28



PRAIRIE STREET MENNONITE CHURCH

1316 Prairie Street, Elkhart IN 46515-1687

Sunday, October 7, 2018

*Joyfully following Jesus in a spirit of celebration,
hospitality, and caring so that others may know
Jesus and follow his way of peace.*

THIS WEEK

Today, noon – Potluck meal. All are welcome to stay for lunch!
Monday, 4:30/5:30/6:30pm – Music Together classes
Tuesday, 4:00pm – Worship Team meeting
Tuesday, 6:30pm – ESL classes
Wednesday, 4:30pm – Rhythm Kids
Thursday, 8:30am – Open Circle & Friends at Granma’s House of Pancakes
Thursday, noon – Bulletin items due
Thursday, 6:30pm – ESL classes

COMING EVENTS – October

17 – Company of Women
18 – Elkhart Bible study, 1:30pm
24 – Elders meeting, 7:00pm
25 – Goshen Bible study, 1:30pm



Prairie Street Mennonite Church

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Pastor Frances Ringenberg (574) 621-2676 mfrancesvr@gmail.com

Elders: Dorothy Wiebe-Johnson, Lois Longenecker, Anna Ruth Hershberger, Leo Rodriguez

For pastoral care you are welcome to contact a pastor or elder directly, or call the church office to make an appointment.

WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY

GATHERING TO WORSHIP AND WELCOME

Hymnal 12 – “Come let us all unite to sing”

CALL TO WORSHIP AND OPENING PRAYER

SINGING

Prairie Street Sings 25 – “All praise to the God of creation”

Prairie Street Sings 35 – “Change my heart, O God (Cámbiame, Señor)”

CONFESSION OF FAITH AND WORDS OF ASSURANCE

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

BIRTHDAY BLESSING: Carolyn Gardner Hunt

HEARING THE WORD

Children’s time: Steve Wiebe-Johnson

Scripture reading: I Corinthians 11:23-28

Sermon: Carolyn Gardner Hunt
“Communion Shapes Character”

RESPONDING

Hymnal 459 – “I come with joy”

Offering

Communion: Frances Ringenberg presiding

SENDING

Sing the Story 75 – “Heri ni jina”

The fabrics on the Communion table today are from Indonesia, remembering those suffering the devastation of earthquake, tsunami and chaos.

A prayer team is available to pray with you at the front of the sanctuary following the service. You are welcome to request anointing.

THIS MORNING:

Worship Leader: *David Miller*
Song Leader: *Carolyn Smith*
Visuals: *Communion table*
AV Technician: *Brian Sutter*
Usher: *Becky Miller*
Greeters: *Al & Lois Longenecker*
Hall Monitor: *Jerry Miller*
Church Nursery: *LaNasha Taylor*
Fellowship 15 **Please see Mary Alice to Sign up!**
Building Lock-up: *Ron Ringenberg*

Second hour:

All ages are encouraged to gather in the Fellowship Hall for continued work on the Prairie Street timeline.

NEXT WEEK:

Sermon: *Congregational stories*
Worship Leader: *Jeanette Krabill*
Song Leader: *Carolyn Smith*
Sharing: *Frances Ringenberg*
Prayer Team: *Anna Ruth Hershberger, Frances Ringenberg*
Children's Time: *Frances Ringenberg*
AV Technician: *TBD*
Usher: *Becky Miller*
Greeters: *TBD*
Hall Monitor: *Jerry Miller*
Church Nursery: *LaNasha Taylor*
Fellowship 15" **Please see Mary Alice to Sign up!**
Building Lock-up: *Milo Wiese*

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Offering Counters: We need one more person to help count offering on the first Sunday of each month. If you are available to help once a month, please call or email Joy in the office.

Is your voter registration up-to-date? David Miller will help you check during coffee time in the fellowship hall today.

Church Community Services is in need of items for their food pantry. Some suggested items include: Cereals, Pasta, Peanut butter, Boxed potatoes, Rice, toiletries, etc. There is a full list of items they are requesting, on the hallway bulletin board. Place your food items in the box in the foyer.

"Amazing Grace" - the new original musical based on the awe-inspiring true story behind the world's most beloved song - will be presented at the Lerner Theater, Friday, October 12, Saturday, October 13 and Sunday, October 14. Tickets are \$21/adult; \$18/student or seniors (60+). Amber Heydon, daughter of Carolyn, is a part of the ensemble in this production.

From the Ollenburger family: Join us for an evening of music and pie to celebrate our resident raconteur, Ben C. Ollenburger, on his 70th birthday and retirement after 41 years of teaching and service. October 27, 2018, 7:00 p.m. at the Chapel of the Sermon on the Mount, Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary. Please let us know if you're able to attend. Please respond by Friday, October 12. RSVP at the website: katherineollenburger.com/rsvp.

It's not too late to register for these upcoming retreats!

"Consider it all Joy" is the theme for the Women & Girls fall retreat at Amigo Centre, October 12-14. Cyneatha Millsaps, recently named Executive Director of Mennonite Women USA, will be the speaker. Girls (third grade and older) are invited to attend with an adult. To register, contact Amigo Centre (269) 651-2811 or go to <http://www.amigocentre.org/in-mi-mennonite-womens-fall-retreat.html>

"Healthy Masculinity: On Being a Man" is the theme for the Men and Boys retreat at Camp Friedenswald, October 12-14. In this gathering of men and boys, we will explore how healthy masculinity is better for everyone. Mennonite Men Executive Director Steve Thomas will be the speaker. To register or for more information call (269) 476-9744 or go to <https://friedenswald.org/retreats/#mens-retreat>

When God calls someone to ministry, a journey begins. Perhaps you are on that journey. Perhaps you are looking for mentors and companions along the way. Indiana-Michigan Conference invites you to join Journey: A Missional Leadership Development Program. This program is for pastors and other congregational leaders who are called without specific training for ministry or who are exploring a call to pastoral ministry. The deadline to apply for Winter 2019 is January 4. Save \$100 if you apply by December 14. For more information visit www.ambs.edu/journey or contact your pastor, or Dan Miller at dan@im.mennonite.net or at [574 534 4006](tel:5745344006).