Attendance last Sunday: 81

General Fund offering: \$802.48 + year-to-date = \$116,678.07 General Fund contributions budgeted for all of 2018: \$218,488.55 Nehemiah Fund pledges: \$167,555.28; received to date: \$167,895.28

# THIS WEEK

Monday, 4:30/5:30/6:30pm – Music Together Classes

Tuesday, 6:30pm – ESL classes Wednesday, 4:30pm – Rhythm Kids

Wednesday, 7:00pm – Transition report discussion Thursday, 9:30am – Mennonite Women Service Circle

Thursday, noon – Bulletin items due Thursday, 6:30pm – ESL classes

Friday, 9:00am-5:00pm, and Saturday, 9:00am-3:00pm – MCC Comforter Bash at Pleasantview Mennonite Church.

# **COMING EVENTS - November**

14 - Company of Women, 6:30pm

14 - Transition Report discussion, 7:00pm

15 - Downtown Churches lunch at PSMC, noon

15 – Elkhart Bible study, 1:30pm

15 – Transition Team meeting, 2:30pm

18 - Pastor Appreciation during Fellowship 15

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## **Prairie Street Mennonite Church**

Mailing address: PO Box 1687, Elkhart 46515-1687 (574) 293-0377; office @prairiestreetmc.org
Website: http://www.prairiestreetmc.org
Office Hours: Tues—Fri, 8:00am to 2:30pm
Administrative Assistant: Joy Detweiler
Custodians: Ron and Marie Troyer

**Pastor** Carolyn Hunt (574) 350-6285 carolyn.gardner.hunt@gmail.com **Pastor** Frances Ringenberg (574) 621-2676 mfrancesvr@gmail.com

Transitional Pastor: Steve Thomas (574-202-0048)

steveforpeace@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.



## PRAIRIE STREET MENNONITE CHURCH

1316 Prairie Street, Elkhart IN 46515-1687 Sunday, November 4, 2018

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

# **GATHERING TO WORSHIP AND WELCOME**

**Hymnal** 615 – "Shall we gather at the river"

## CALL TO WORSHIP AND OPENING PRAYER

#### SINGING

**Hymnal** 636 – "For all the saints" **Prairie Street Sings** 80 – "I shall praise you, God"

# CONFESSION OF FAITH AND WORDS OF ASSURANCE

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

**BIRTHDAY BLESSING:** Frances Ringenberg

## **HEARING THE WORD**

Children's time: Anne Mitchell

**Apocrypha reading:** Sirach 38:16-23 **Introduction and prayer:** Steve Thomas

Naming our losses and inviting God's healing

## RESPONDING

Hymnal 377 - "Healer of our every ill"

Candle lighting – You are invited to come forward during the song to

light a candle in remembrance of loss.

Offering - Sing the Journey 15 - "Santo (Holy)"

Pastoral Prayer: Frances Ringenberg

## **SENDING**

**Hymnal 427 –** "You shall go out with joy" **Benediction:** Frances Ringenberg

THIS MORNING:

Worship Leaders: Steve Wiebe-Johnson Carolyn Gardner Hunt

Visuals: Candles
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 discussion of the Transition Report.

Clase en español: Continuamos con una clase en español para compartir testimonios y aprender sobre cómo nos conectamos con la historia de la Iglesia Prairie Street. También continuamos estudiando la Biblia y desarrollando liderazgo. Esta mañana, nos reuniremos en la Graber Room (nivel bajo) durante la segunda hora para hablar sobre Hebreos 13 y Romanos 12, dirigido por nuestro hermano Julián.

Cualquiera que entienda el español es bienvenido, ya sea que haya hablado español toda la vida o simplemente esté aprendiendo ahora.

Class in Spanish: We will continue a class in Spanish to share testimonies and learn about how we connect with the history of Prairie Street Church. We also continue to study the Bible and develop leadership. This morning, we will meet in the Graber Room (lower level) during the second hour to talk about Hebrews 13 and Romans 12, led by our brother Julian.

Anyone who understands Spanish is welcome, whether you've spoken Spanish all your life or are just learning now.

**NEXT WEEK:** 

**Sermon:** Congregational testimonies of Mission

Worship Leader: John Bender Song Leader: Kyle Weirich

Children's Time: TBA

AV Technician: Orion Blaha 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: Milo Wiese

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**Transition report discussion:** Today during second hour, there will be a discussion of the report that was given out this week. If you are unable to be present for the discussion today, there will be two additional Wednesday evenings for report discussion: November 7 and 14 at 7:00pm.

**You're invited**: Berkey Avenue Mennonite Fellowship (2509 Berkey Ave., Goshen) will be hosting a Jazz Vespers Service, Sunday, November 11, 4:00-5:00pm. The Dean's List will be the featured musicians.

<u>Pastoral Appreciation Sunday:</u> Mark your calendars for Sunday, November 18, when we plan to celebrate our pastors during Fellowship 15. In this season of transition and Thanksgving, encouragement is important to all of us, especially those in leadership. Plan to attend. Prepare notes of appreciation for Pastors Carolyn, Francis and Steve, draw a picture, bake some bread...whatever best suits your way of showing appreciation. The Pastoral Support Team: Jeanette Krabill and Twilla Epp Stutzman.

**Invitation to Elkhart Forest Church**, November 18, 2:30pm at 1103 Evans Street, Elkhart.

Inspired by the Wild Church Network (<a href="https://www.wildchurchnetwork.com/">https://www.wildchurchnetwork.com/</a>), our family is experimenting with monthly Sunday afternoon outdoor worship services where we join with nature in worshiping God. You are invited to join us for our first meeting on Sunday afternoon, November 18 at 2:30pm. We'll convene around the fire circle in our backyard and then branch out into the adjacent parkland along the Elkhart River. We will meet regardless of weather, so please dress appropriately to spend about an hour outdoors (we also recommend footwear that can get muddy). If all goes well, we hope to do this regularly on the third Sunday of the month. Please send us an email (eppstutzman@gmail.com) if you'd like to stay informed about developments or have any questions. Peace, Karl, Twilla, Silas, Junia & Nathaniel

A facility note: If you see work projects that need to be done around the church building, contact Joy in the office and she will be in touch with the appropriate people for the job. Thank you.