Attendance last Sunday: 76

General Fund offering: \$947.30 + year-to-date = \$124,996.38 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

Wednesday, 4:30pm – Rhythm Kids Thursday, noon – Bulletin items due Thursday, 1:30pm – Goshen Bible study

Sunday - Potluck lunch followed by Congregational meeting

COMING EVENTS - December

- 6 Mennonite Women Service Circle, 9:30am
- 6 Rhythm Kids, 4:30pm
- **9** Baby shower for Alicia and Leo (during Fellowship-15)
- 12 Elkhart Mennonite Pastors at PSMC, 11:30am
- 13 Open Circle & Friends at Granma's House of Pancakes



Prairie Street Mennonite Church

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Website: http://www.prairiestreetmc.org
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Pastor Carolyn Hunt (574) 350-6285 carolyn.gardner.hunt@gmail.com **Pastor** Frances Ringenberg (574) 621-2676 mfrancesvr@gmail.com

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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 25, 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

Sing the Story 109 - "Blessing and honor"

CALL TO WORSHIP AND OPENING PRAYER

SINGING

Hymnal 285 – "All hail the power of Jesus' name" **Hymnal 358** – "Oyenos, mi Dios"

CONFESSION OF FAITH AND WORDS OF ASSURANCE

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

HEARING THE WORD

Children's time: Lois Longenecker Scripture reading: 2 Corinthians 4:1; 5-7

Sermon: Steve Thomas

"Defect is character: embracing our imperfections"

RESPONDING

Hymnal 449 - "Jesus took a towel"

Foot-washing and mutual aid collection

Offering

Pastoral Prayer: Lois Longenecker

SENDING

Sing the Story 110 - "Alleluia! Gracious Jesus!"

Benediction: Frances Ringenberg

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: Ben Ollenburger
Song Leader: Kyle Weirich
Visuals: Foot-washing

Prayer team: Frances Ringenberg, Lois Longenecker

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: Jim Bixler

Second hour:

All ages are encouraged to gather in the Fellowship Hall for Fellowship-15 and discussion of the recommendations from the Transition team.

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: Advent 1

Sermon: Twilla Epp-Stutzman **Worship Leader:** Frances Ringenberg

Song Leader: Kyle Weirich

Children's Time: TBA

AV Technician: Brian Sutter
Usher: Becky Miller

Greeter: Mary Kathryn Miller

Hall Monitor: Jerry Miller
Church Nursery: LaNasha Taylor

Fellowship 15" Please see Mary Alice to Sign up!

Building Lock-up: Ron Ringenberg

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Today during second hour: The Transition Team will introduce proposed recommendations based on congregational feedback for our transition process. Then on December 2, during second hour, there will be an opportunity for further discussion of these recommendations before our congregational meeting. All are invited to come and participate in these discussions.

Congregational meeting: Sunday, December 2 immediately following the monthly potluck lunch. There will be a proposed church budget in your church mailboxes this morning for you to review ahead of the congregational meeting.

We are looking for volunteers to decorate the Fellowship Hall for the Christmas season. If you are interested, please see Frances.

Mark your calendars! Sunday, December 9 there will be a <u>baby shower for Alicia and Leo Rodriguez</u>. They are welcoming a baby boy soon! Gifts and cards will be shared during Fellowship-15.

Volunteer Opportunity: Elkhart Interdenominational Ministerial Alliance, Black Expo, and the Elkhart Chapter of the NAACP are working together to sponsor a community Christmas dinner at the Roosevelt Center on Saturday, December 15 from 12 noon-3 p.m. Churches in Elkhart are cooperating to bring side dishes and serve the meal. Would you be able to help for **45 minutes** the day of the meal? Call or text Pastor Carolyn at 574-350-6285. Thank you!

Michiana Voices for Middle East Peace will host the documentary film, "The Occupation of the American Mind: Israel's Public Relations War in the United States", on Thursday, November 29, 7-8:30 PM at Southside Fellowship, 3003 Benham Avenue, Elkhart (AMBS). This is a stunning exposé on how propaganda drives public opinion and, in turn, our understanding of reality. Following the 84-minute movie, for those interested, there will be time for conversation about the movie. All are invited and welcome. The event is free of charge.

The St. Vincent de Paul Sacred Music Series presents a Concert event: "Sound from a Cathedral: The Organ Works of the Masters" with Jerome Cole on the organ, this evening at 6:00pm at St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church, 1108 S. Main St. Elkhart. Mr. Jerome Cole is the director of sacred music at St. Joseph Catholic Church, Mishawaka. He will perform the music of Bach, Franck, Dupre, Brahms, and Widor on St. Vincent's fine Wicks/Fowler pipe organ. Admission is free.