**Attendance Last Sunday:** 91

**General Fund offering:** $3,369.72 + year-to-date = $94,446.56

**General Fund contributions budgeted for all of 2015:** $217,040.00

##### THIS WEEK

**Today, 12:00pm** – Drama & the Bible sabbatical group

**Monday, 6:30pm** – ESL teacher meeting

**Wednesday, 5:30pm** – Helping Hands sabbatical group

**Wednesday, 6:00pm** – Elders meeting

**Wednesday, 6:30pm** – MVS support committee meeting

**Thursday, noon** – Bulletin items due

**Thursday, 1:30pm** – Elkhart Bible study

**Thursday-Sunday** – Bridgefolk conference at AMBS

**Friday, 7:00pm** – Restauración Bible study

**COMING EVENTS – August/September**

**24 & 25** – Jubilee House clean up days

**25** – ESL registration, 6:30pm

**27** – Goshen Bible study, 1:30pm

**Sept. 1** – Elders meeting, 6:00pm

**3** – Mennonite Women Service Circle, 9:30am



**Prairie Street Mennonite Church**

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

*Lead Pastor Nelson Kraybill is on sabbatical until November 29, 2015.*

See Pastor Nelson’s biblical sites blog at *peace-pilgrim.com*

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**PRAIRIE STREET MENNONITE CHURCH**

1316 Prairie Street, Elkhart IN 46515-1687

Sunday, August 16, 2015

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

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**GATHERING** **TO WORSHIP**

### Gathering music

**Call to worship**

**SINGING**

***Hymnal* 2**– “In thy holy place we bow”

***Hymnal* 475** – “Become to us the living Bread”

***Sing the Story* 121**– “Nothing is lost on the breath of God”

#### CONFESSION OF SIN AND WORDS OF ASSURANCE

#### – *Hymnal* 691

#### RECEIVING OF NEW MEMBER – Mara Weaver

#### PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

#### HEARING THE WORD

**Children’s time:** Carolyn Gardner Hunt

**Scripture:** John 6:51-58

**Sermon:** Matt Cordella

“Works, Signs & Wonders: taking a bite out of the Bread of Life”

#### RESPONDING

#### *Sing the Journey* 87 – “Put peace into each other’s hands”

**Sharing joys and concerns**: Frances Ringenberg

### Offering

**Pastoral prayer:** Lois Longenecker

#### SENDING

### *Sing the Journey* 97– “The Lord is my light”

**Benediction:** Frances Ringenberg

*A prayer team is available to pray with you at the front of the sanctuary following the service. This can include anointing.*

THIS MORNING:

**Worship leader:** *Marty Bender*

**Pre-service music:** *Carol & Lauren Weirich*

**Song leader:** *Kyle Weirich*

**Spanish Translator:**

**Prayer team:** *Lois Longenecker, Frances Ringenberg*

**Visuals:** *Heather Blaha*

**Usher:** *Becky Miller*

**Greeters:** *Al & Lois Longenecker*

**Hall monitor:** *Jerry Miller*

**Church nursery:** *TBA*

**Library assistant:** *Lois Longenecker*

**Fellowship-15:** *TBA*

**Building lock-up:** *Jim Bixler*

Sound tech: *TBA*

**SUNDAY SCHOOL HOUR:**

**Children**:

This week during Sunday Funday we will be using the wooden figures that the children painted several weeks ago. All ages can find Pastor Carolyn during Fellowship 15 and join in this intergenerational activity.

**Adult classes:**

**Bible Class/Spanish** – *Lower level, Sojourner room*

**Sabbatical group** – Gospel of John Bible study *– Lower level classroom* – Matt Cordella

**NEXT SUNDAY:**

**Sermon:** *Abbot John Klassen & Marilyn Stahl (Bridgefolk)*

**Worship leader:** *Alan Kreider*

**Song Leader:** *Ellen Kraybill*

**Children’s time:** *Kathee Kime Kirchner*

**Prayer team:** *Dorothy Wiebe-Johnson, Frances Ringenberg*

**Visuals:** *Heather Blaha*

Pre-service music: *Eleanor Kreider*

Usher: *Becky Miller*

Greeters: *Al & Lois Longenecker*

Hall monitor: *Jerry Miller*

Church nursery: *John Henry Brimmer*

Library assistant: *Grace Miller*

**Building lock-up:** *Al Longenecker*

**Sound tech:** *Josh Kinder*

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**Drama & the Bible sabbatical group** will meet today for a light noon lunch before Laura Kraybill leads the session.

**Karl & Twilla Epp Stutzman** invite you to an open house **Today**, **2:30-4:00pm,** with a house blessing at 3:30pm.  Their new home is located at 1103 Evans St., Elkhart.  Maps will be provided.

**THANKS and RAGS:** Thank you to all who donated to our Pedal Power Community Bike Shop last Sunday. I found it interesting, perhaps a good omen, that the total came out to exactly $100. That equals 40 hours that I am able to be in the shop (through MVS). But thank you especially for coming to see and hear about the shop and being interested in it. On a loosely related note, if you have any **OLD T-SHIRTS** you are looking to get rid of, we would gladly take them to cut up and use as rags in the shop. Perhaps we could form an old-t-shirt-cutting-into-rags-sermon-response Sunday School class (just kidding). – Nick Bouwman

**As the 2015-16 school year begins,** college students new to the area may be visiting PSMC and MVS'ers will be arriving at Jubilee House.  To offer a special welcome, the Party Team/Hospitality Pod is organizing Sunday noon lunches for the month of September.  If small groups or individuals would like to help provide a simple meal, please contact Becky Miller by e-mail pdlski@hotmail.com or in person.  Hosts are needed for September 13, 20 and 27.  Thanks for considering this hospitality opportunity.

**It is MCC School Kit time.**There are cloth bags on the table outside the library with a list of the contents.  There are quite a few bags, but if we run out of bags, supplies can be brought in a plastic bag and MCC will put in cloth bags.  Please return the filled bags to the table or the box under the table by the end of August.  Thank you.

**The MVS unit** will welcome new members on Wednesday, August 26, and helping hands are needed for a quick sprucing up around Jubilee House.  No heavy lifting!  Volunteers from Prairie Street and Fellowship of Hope will gather on **Monday, August 24, 7:00-8:00pm and Tuesday, August 25, 1:00-3:00pm** for two short bursts of cleaning. Pastor Carolyn is your contact:  574-350-6285.

**Prairie Street Men’s choral group** will sing in the morning service on October 4. Organizers: Stan Hoffman and James Krabill. More information and rehearsal times will come later.