**Attendance Last Sunday:** 106

**General Fund offering:** $3,796.89 + year-to-date = $11,764.89

**General Fund contributions budgeted for all of 2015:** $221,794.48

##### THIS WEEK

#####  Monday, 10am/4:30/5:30/6:30pm – Music Together classes

 **Monday, 7:00pm** – Peaceful Witness

 **Tuesday, 6:00pm** – Renovations Committee

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

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

 **Thursday, noon** – Bulletin items due

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

 **Friday, 7:00pm** – Restauración

 **Sunday** – Potluck lunch (remember your table service)

**COMING EVENTS – February**

 **8** – MVS Support Committee, 6:30pm at Miller’s home

 **10** – Ash Wednesday

 **11** – Open Circle & Friends, 8:30am at Granma’s House of Pancakes

 **14** – Sojourners & Friends, 5:30pm at Tacy’s home



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Office Hours**:** Tuesday–Friday, 8:00am to 2:30pm

Administrative Assistant: Joy Detweiler

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**Pastor** Nelson Kraybill (574) 370-0329*nelsonkraybill@gmail.com*

**Pastor** Carolyn Hunt (574) 350-6285 *carolyn.gardner.hunt@gmail.com*

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**Elders:** Ross Ringenberg, Dorothy Wiebe-Johnson, Lois Longenecker, Brent Eash

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

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 **PRAIRIE STREET MENNONITE CHURCH**

 1316 Prairie Street, Elkhart IN 46515-1687

Sunday, January 31, 2016

*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**

### Welcome

***Hymnal* 99** – “We praise thee, O God”

**Call to worship**

**SINGING:**

***Hymnal* 371** – “Let there be light, Lord God”

***Sing the Journey* 23** – “Slowly turning, ever turning”

#### CONFESSION AND WORDS OF ASSURANCE

#### SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

#### HEARING THE WORD

**Children’s time:** Steve Wiebe-Johnson

**Scripture reading:** Jeremiah 1:4-10; Luke 4:21-30

**Sermon:** Carolyn Gardner Hunt

 “Love Your Enemies”

#### RESPONDING

#### *Hymnal* 367 – “For the healing of the nations”

**Sharing joys and concerns:** Dorothy Wiebe-Johnson

### Offering – Hymnal insert – “Eres Todopoderoso”

**Pastoral prayer:** Brent Eash

#### SENDING

### *Hymnal* 420– “Heart with loving heart united”

**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:** *Jeanette Krabill*

**Pre-service music:** *Music team/Instruments***Song leader:** *Ben Bouwman*

**Prayer team:** *Dorothy Wiebe-Johnson, Brent Eash*

**Spanish translator:**

**Visuals:** *Heather Smith Blaha*

**Usher:** *Marie Troyer*

**Greeter:** *Mara Weaver*

**Hall monitor:** *Nick Bouwman*

**Church nursery:** *Sidney Hawkins*

**Library assistant:** *Mildred Schrock*

**Fellowship-15:** *Scott Hamilton, Natasha Kauffmann, Paula Killough*

**Building lock-up:** *Milo Wiese*

Sound technician: *Zeak Kamp*

**SUNDAY SCHOOL HOUR:**

**Children**:

 *Kindergarten–Grade 5 – Lower Level*

**Adult classes:**

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

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

**Sermon Response class** – *Outside of sanctuary –* Eleanor Kreider

**NEXT SUNDAY:**

**Sermon:** *Luke Gascho*

**Worship leader:** *Matt Cordella*

**Song Leader:** *Ellen Kraybill*

**Children’s time:**

**Prayer team:**

**Visuals:** *Heather Blaha*

Pre-service music: *Music team/instruments*

Usher: *Becky Miller*

Greeters: *Nick Bouwman, Ben Bouwman*

Hall monitor: *Jerry Miller*

Church nursery: *Sidney Hawkins*

Library assistant: *Marie Troyer*

**Building lock-up:** *Ron Ringenberg*

Sound technician: *Killian Hunt*

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**New Sunday school class beginning:** Consider joining us for a 14 week class focused on creation care issues from an Anabaptist lens. “Every Creature Singing” focuses on biblical and theological foundations, pursuing peace and justice and choosing a sustainable lifestyle. **Today** there will be a half hour meeting after Fellowship 15 for anyone interested.

**Water collection for Flint, Michigan:** If you are interested in donating bottled water to the Flint community, there will be a collection at St. James A.M.E. Church this week (before Saturday morning).

**All are invited** to Pathways Retreat, Goshen, for an Open House to celebrate the newly expanded retreat house today, January 31.  Tours and refreshments are from 3:00 – 5:30 with a liturgy of blessing at 4:00.  See www.pathwaysretreat.org for more information and directions.

**Prairie Street is a caring congregation,** and sometimes is able to give Mutual Aid help to persons in difficult financial circumstances. **If** **you wish to request help**, please talk to a Pastor or Elder. Typically you will complete a simple form describing your situation. Elders review that form, maintaining confidentiality. PSMC might request that a social worker from Church Community Services work with you to assess resources and needs. **If you receive a request for financial help,** please be in touch with a Pastor or Elder to get the larger picture of how the congregation is responding. Thank you for being part of a generous and discerning community! – Pastoral Team

**New Picture Directory:** At the end of April, photos will be taken for a new PSMC picture directory.  Several volunteers of any age are needed to help with this temporary project.  If you are able to sit at a table on Sunday morning to help make appointments or make reminder phone calls or be present during the photography sessions to sign people in, **please** contact the church office this week.  The first planning meeting with the directory staff will happen on Friday, February 19 at 10:00am.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!**  ESL (English as a Second Language) teachers are needed for the next session of English classes, March 1-May 19, 2016, at Prairie Street Mennonite Church. Sessions are Tuesday and Thursday evenings, 6:30-8:00pm. Teaching once or twice a week is your choice.  You do not need to be able to speak any Spanish.  Please contact Sueann VonGunten, vonalter2@frontier.com , 574-612-3108 or Lois Dyck, budloisdyck@gmail.com, 574-970-1024  with your interest or questions.