**Attendance last Sunday:** 78

**General Fund offering:** $3,710.56 + year-to-date = $81,152.97

**General Fund contributions budgeted for all of 2017:** $237,687.00

**Nehemiah Fund pledges:** $163,020.00; received to date:$134,675.00

##### THIS WEEK

 **Today, noon** – Potluck lunch (planning meeting during dessert time for August 6 Celebration)

 **Monday, 10:00/11:00am/3:30/4:30/5:30pm** – Music Together

 **Tuesday–Friday** – MC USA General Assembly, Orlando, Florida

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

 **Thursday noon** – Bulletin items due

 **Saturday, 10:00am** – Make homemade ice cream

 **Sunday, during Sunday school hour** – Bike ride and ice cream

**COMING EVENTS - July**

 **10** – MVS Support committee, 6:00pm

 **13** – Journey reunion dinner, 6:30pm

 **16** – Sojourners & Friends at Kraybill home, 5:30pm

 **19** – VBS at Sunnyside Mennonite Church, 6:00-8:00pm



**Prairie Street Mennonite Church**

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(574) 293-0377; *office@prairiestreetmc.org*

Website: *http://www.prairiestreetmc.org*

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*

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

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

 Anna Ruth Hershberger

**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, July 2, 2017

*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* 34– “When the morning stars together”

### Call to Worship

**SINGING**

***Sing the Journey* 4** - “You’ve got a place”

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

**CONFESSION AND WORDS OF ASSURANCE**

#### SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

**BIRTHDAY BLESSING** – Anna Ruth Hershberger

**BLESSING FOR BEN, YASI AND ELI BOUWMAN** – Nelson Kraybill

#### HEARING THE WORD

**Children’s time:** Nick Bouwman

**Scripture reading:** Romans 6:5-12

**Sermon:** Nelson Kraybill

 "Live as free people!”

#### RESPONDING

***Hymnal* 545** – “Be thou my vision”

**Sharing joys and concerns:** Lois Longenecker

**Offering – *Sing the Story* 90** – “Oh, qué bueno es Jesús”

**Pastoral prayer:** Brent Eash

#### SENDING

***Hymnal* 434** – “Thuma mina”

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:** *Frances Ringenberg*

**Pre-service music:** *Music team/instruments*

**Song leader:** *Ellen Kraybill*

**Prayer team:** *Lois Longenecker, Brent Eash*

**Spanish translator:** *Martin Miranda*

**Visuals:** *Twilla Epp-Stutzman*

**Usher:** *Becky Miller*

**Greeters:** *Norm & Karen Cender*

**Hall monitor:** *Jerry Miller*

**Church nursery:** *LaNasha Taylor*

**Fellowship-15:** *Mary Lackore*

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

AV technician: *Nick Bouwman*

**SUNDAY SCHOOL HOUR:**

**Children**:

 *Kindergarten–Grade 4 – Lower Level*

*Grades 5-8 – MYF room*

**Adults:**

 **Spanish Class/Discipleship** – *Lower level classroom*

**“Sermon on the Mount” –** *Lower level classroom* – Eleanor Kreider/Nelson Kraybill

**NEXT SUNDAY:**

**Sermon:** *Kathee Kime Kirchner*

**Worship leader:** *Scott Litwiller*

**Song Leader:** *Kyle Weirich*

**Children’s time:** *TBA*

**Prayer team:** *TBA*

**Visuals:** *Frances Ringenberg/Heather Blaha*

Pre-service music: *Music team/instruments*

Usher: *Becky Miller*

Greeters: *Norm & Karen Cender*

Hall monitor: *Jerry Miller*

Church nursery: *Sidney Hawkins*

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

AV technician: *Orion Blaha*

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**This week:** Pastor Nelson, Pastor Carolyn and Joy will be out of the office. Please direct any pastoral concerns and bulletin announcements to Pastor Frances. There will not be a “Notes of Joy” sent out this week.

**Today:** Anyone interested in planning the open house and John Funk Celebration on Sunday, August 6, please meet in the conference room during the dessert time of the potluck today.

**Next Sunday, July 9,** get ready for biking and ice cream! On Saturday, July 8, anyone who has an ice cream maker is invited to join us at the church at 10:00am to make ice cream (please bring ingredients and recipe). On Sunday, we will meet during the Sunday school hour to ride bike on the Green Leaf trail, then come back to the church for an ice cream meal. In order to make this healthy, we ask that those with last names that begin with A-H bring granola; last names I-Q bring fruit and last names R-Z bring nuts.

Questions? Speak with Heather Blaha or Anna Ruth Hershberger.

**MC USA Convention and General Assembly will be held in Orlando, Florida this week. PSMC delegates are Pastor Nelson and Mara Weaver, Congregational Board Chair. Joy will also be attending the convention as a volunteer. Please keep this event in your prayers.**

**“Timbrel” (magazine of Mennonite Women USA) subscriptions are due. Cost will be $13 for a year. Let Mildred Schrock or Joy Detweiler know if you’d like to subscribe.**

**This year's Vacation Bible School** is a cooperative effort of four Elkhart Mennonite Churches held at Sunnyside Mennonite Church on three dates during the summer. The next one will be held on Wednesday, July 19. Beginning with a neighborhood meal at 6:00pm, children preschool through 5th grade will enjoy music, art, and active play from 6:30-8:00pm. For more information call or text Pastor Carolyn: 574-350-6285.

**Sign up in the church foyer** (next to the mailboxes) to bring items to fill 100 refugee kits for Mennonite Central Committee. The Women’s Service Circle is currently working on this project and they need your help. If you prefer to give money, please write a check to Prairie Street MC and write “refugee kits” in the memo line.

**If you missed Ted & Co. Presentation:**“Discovery: A Comic Lament,”
at College Mennonite Church last evening, it will be presented at Benton Mennonite Church, 7:00pm tonight. Benton is located at 15350 CR 44 (just east of US 33), Goshen. This is a brand-new Ted & Co show about the Doctrine of Discovery, the legal framework that justifies theft of land and oppression of Indigenous Peoples.