**Attendance last Sunday:** 95

**General Fund offering:** $1,969.00+year-to-date = $116,941.33

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

**Nehemiah Fund pledges:** $167,555.28; received to date:$153,755.28

##### THIS WEEK

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

**Tuesday, 6:30-8:00pm** – ESL classes

**Wednesday, 4:00pm** – Rhythm kids class

**Thursday noon** – Bulletin items due

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

**Thursday, 6:30-8:00pm** – ESL classes

**Thursday, 7:00pm** – PSMC Executive Committee and Elders

**Saturday, 9:30am** – Care Circle meeting

**Sunday, noon** – Potluck meal (remember your tableware)

**Sunday, 2:00-4:00pm** – Enneagram workshop

**COMING EVENTS - October**

**4** – Helping Hands group, 5:30pm

**7 & 8** – River revival (see announcement)

**12** – Open Circle & Friends, 8:30am

**12** – Mennonite Women Service Circle

**13** – Anabaptist Disabilities Network fundraiser at PSMC



**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, September 24, 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* 459 – “I come with joy to meet my Lord”

### Call to Worship

**SINGING**

***Hymnal* 226 *–*** “You are salt for the earth”

***Sing the Journey* 68 *–*** “O hear, my people”

**CONFESSION AND WORDS OF ASSURANCE**

#### SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

#### HEARING THE WORD

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

**Scripture reading:** Ephesians 2:11-20

**Sermon:** Nelson Kraybill

”A peace church builds bridges”

#### RESPONDING

***Hymnal* 408** – “O day of peace”

**Sharing joys and concerns:** Lois Longenecker

**Offering – *Sing the Journey* 67** – “Let there be light, Lord God”

**Pastoral prayer:** Dorothy Wiebe-Johnson

#### SENDING

***Sing the Story* 1 *–*** “Praise the One who breaks the darkness”

Benediction: Carolyn Gardner Hunt

*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:** *Karl Stutzman*

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

**Song leader:** *Kyle Weirich*

**Prayer team:** *Lois Longenecker, Dorothy Wiebe-Johnson*

**Spanish translator:** *Martin Miranda*

**Visuals:** *Worship team*

**Usher:** *Becky Miller*

**Greeter:** *Mary Kathryn Miller*

**Hall monitor:** *Jerry Miller*

**Church nursery:** *Sidney Hawkins*

**Fellowship-15:** *TBA*

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

AV technician: *Anthony Hunt*

**SECOND HOUR:**

**Children**:

*Kindergarten–Grade 4 – Lower Level*

*Grades 5-8 – Pedal Power Bike shop*

**Adults:**

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

**Destiny Rescue –** *Lower level classroom* – Steve Hill

**NEXT SUNDAY: World Communion Sunday**

**Sermon:** *Nelson Kraybill*

**Worship Leader:** *David Miller*

**Song Leader:** *TBA*

**Prayer team:** *TBA*

**Visuals:** *Worship team*

Pre-service music: *Music team/instruments*

Usher: *Becky Miller*

Greeters: *Al & Lois Longenecker*

Hall monitor: *Jerry Miller*

Church nursery: *Sidney Hawkins*

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

AV technician: *Nick Bouwman*

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**Steve Hill of Destiny Rescue**, an organization that works to save children and youth from sex trafficking, will present about this global concern at PSMC during second hour today. Based in Syracuse, Indiana, Destiny Rescue has programs in Thailand, Cambodia, Laos, Philippines, and India.

**Company of Women meeting:** This is a small group for women that meets once a month for a book/bible study, discussion and prayer. There has been a core group of women who have met for years, and we are always open for new people, new ideas. Please come to our organizational meeting Wednesday, September 27 at the home of Tacy Heisey at 6:45pm and see if this might be something for you. Bring book ideas for study or other ideas for the upcoming year.

**Holdeman Mennonite Church** invites you to “Haystacks for Hurricanes,” a fundraiser meal for the work of Mennonite Disaster Service in Texas and Florida. Saturday, September 30, 4:00-7:00pm at Holdeman MC (65723 CR 1, Wakarusa). All proceeds from the freewill donation will go to MDS.

**Sunday, October 1 is World Communion Sunday,** bringing churches around the world together in a service of Christian unity.

Also, on Sunday, October 1:

* Blessing and food shower for the VSers – Jonathan Brenneman and Jennifer Rey Villegas. Healthy foods and cheese are suggested items for the food shower.
* Monthly potluck lunch, noon.
* Enneagram workshop, 2:00-4:00pm hosted by the Elkhart MVS unit and led by Allie Meriwether Brown. See Mary Kathryn Miller for details.

**River Revival: Does God care about the Elkhart River?** Doug Kaufman, pastor of Benton Mennonite Church, says yes! And he will lead us through Biblical passages that demonstrate that concern. How do you relate to the Elkhart River?

* **Saturday, October 7, 3:00pm,** we will meet at Prairie Street Mennonite Church and, weather permitting, head out to the river. This kid friendly event will be up close and personal with river critters. We'll explore with the Bible in the one hand and the river on the other hand.
* **Sunday, October 8, 9:30am,** Morning worship at PSMC to see God’s vision for a renewed river.
* **Sunday, October 8, 6:00pm,** gathering at Belmont Neighborhood Fellowship (925 Oxford) to continue the morning theme.
* **Questions?** Contact Anna Ruth [arhershberger@ambs.edu](mailto:arhershberger@ambs.edu).

**Volunteers needed** for the LaCasa “Rock the Block” event on Saturday, October 7, 9:00am – 3:00pm. Clean up work will be on Eden Street between Indiana Ave. and Prairie St. If you are available to work with LaCasa or serve as a host at the church, please let one of the pastors or Joy know.