**Attendance last Sunday:** 90

**General Fund offering:** $1,702.50+year-to-date = $123,226.14

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

**Nehemiah Fund pledges:** $167,555.28; received to date:$156,795.28

##### THIS WEEK

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

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

**Wednesday, 4:30pm** – Rhythm kids class

**Thursday noon** – Bulletin items due

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

**Thursday, 6:30pm** – ESL classes

**Friday, 9:00am-5:00pm** – MCC Comforter Bashat Pleasant View MC

**Saturday, 9:00am-3:00pm** – MCC Comforter Bash

**COMING EVENTS – October/November**

**25** – Worship team meeting, 5:00pm

**26** – Goshen Bible study, 1:30pm

**29** – IMA Worship service at PSMC, 4:00pm

**Nov. 1** – Helping Hands group, 5:30pm

**1** – Go Team meeting, 6:45pm



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

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**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, October 15, 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* 20 – “Come and see”

### Call to Worship

**SINGING**

***Sing the Journey* 25 *–*** “When long before time”

***Sing the Story* 82 *–*** “How long O Lord”

**CONFESSION AND WORDS OF ASSURANCE**

#### SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

#### HEARING THE WORD

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

**Scripture reading:** Genesis 2:4b-9, 15; Genesis 3:1-7; Isaiah 41:17-20

**Sermon:** Carolyn Gardner Hunt

“Tree of Life, Rooted in Love”

#### RESPONDING

***Sing the Story* 116** – “I saw a tree by the riverside”

**Sharing joys and concerns:** Frances Ringenberg

**Offering**

**Pastoral prayer:** Lois Longenecker

#### SENDING

***Hymnal* 427 *–*** “You shall go out with joy”

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:** *Brian Sutter*

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

**Song leader:** *Ellen Kraybill*

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

**Spanish translator:** *TBA*

**Visuals:** *Heather Blaha and children of Prairie Street*

**Usher:** *Becky Miller*

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

**Hall monitor:** *Jerry Miller*

**Church nursery:** *LaNasha Taylor*

**Fellowship-15:** *Jay Little*

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

AV technician: *Orion Blaha*

**SECOND HOUR:**

**Children**:

*Kindergarten–Grade 4 – Lower Level*

*Grades 5-8 – Pedal Power Bike shop*

**Adults:**

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

**Sermon on the Mount –** *Lower level classroom* – Eleanor Kreider

**NEXT SUNDAY:**

**Sermon:** *Nelson Kraybill*

**Worship Leader:** *Anthony Hunt*

**Song Leader:** *Tacy Heisey*

**Prayer team:** *Dorothy Wiebe-Johnson, Carolyn Gardner Hunt*

**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:** *Al Longenecker*

AV technician: *Nick Bouwman*

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**Please join Center for Community Justice** as they celebrate Connie Caiceros at a Farewell Open House on Friday, October 20, 4:00-6:00pm at CCJ, 121 S. 3rd St. Connie is currently transitioning out of her role as Executive Director and continuing her life journey at law school. We wish for your presence in helping to honor Connie and all that she has done for CCJ.

**Ellen Kraybill** will perform the *Alleluia* solo from Mozart’s magnificent

*Exultate Jubilate* at the St. Joseph Valley Camerata concert on **Sunday, October 22, 2017 at 7:30pm** in Sauder Concert Hall at **Goshen College Music Center**. Other works include the *Alleluia* by Thompson, settings of *Ubi Caritas* by Duruflé and Gjeilo, and Whitacre’s monumental lament, *When David Heard*. Also featured are various movements of the Latin Mass by Byrd, Mozart, Schubert, and Vaughan Williams. Tickets $15 available at <http://sjvcamerata.org/>

**Prairie Street Mennonite Church** will host the Interdenominational Ministers Alliance worship service on Sunday, October 29 at 4:00pm. Elder George Bostic of “Life in The Word” will be the speaker and several church choirs will offer selections. Please come and worship with our brothers and sisters.

**Handmade and international gifts that support missions:**  Mark your calendars now for the CMI Bazaar/Beautiful Things Marketplace on Sunday afternoon, November 12, at Ellen and Nelson Kraybill’s home. Your purchases support Tina Stoltzfus Horst as she coaches cross cultural workers, and provide essential funding for Coaching Mission International’s work around the world. There are many creative people at PSMC!  If you are one, and have items you’d like to **donate** to benefit missions leaders, consider giving an item or two (or more!) to the CMI Bazaar/Beautiful Things Marketplace. Contact Tina Stoltzfus Horst at Tina@cmiprograms.org (or 534-0400) to donate.

**Our congregation** is invited to participate in the Community-Wide Thanksgiving Service, Sunday, November 19 at 4:00pm at the St. James AME Church, 122 Dr. Martin L. King Drive. The guest speaker will be Dr. Douglas Cripe, pastor of Central Christian Church. There are plans to have a community-wide choir and will soon announce dates for the practices. A Thanksgiving offering will be taken for Church Community Services. Please put this event on your calendar!