**Attendance last Sunday:** 87

**General Fund offering:** $1,824.00+year-to-date = $125,050.14

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

**Nehemiah Fund pledges:** $167,555.28; received to date:$156,920.28

##### THIS WEEK

**Today 4:00pm** – IMA worship service

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

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

**Wednesday, 6:45pm** – Go Team meeting

**Thursday noon** – Bulletin items due

**Thursday, 6:30pm** – ESL classes

**Sunday, noon** – Potluck lunch

**Sunday**, **during potluck** – Membership exploration class

**Sunday, 4:00pm** – Fellowship Hall reserved

**COMING EVENTS – November**

**8** – Helping Hands, 5:30pm

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

**9** – Elders meeting, 6:30pm

**11** – Ministry Team Roundtable, 8:30-10:30am

**12** – “Beautiful Things” CMI Bazaar at Kraybill home, 3:00-5:00pm

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



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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 29, 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

### *Sing the Journey* 27– “God of the Bible”

### Call to Worship

**SINGING**

***Hymnal* 102 *–*** “To God be the glory”

***Sing the Journey* 59 *–*** “Come and fill out hearts”

**CONFESSION OF SIN AND WORDS OF ASSURANCE**

Gracious God, we confess that with us there is an abundance of sin,

**but in you there is abundance of pardon.**

We are spiritually poor,

**but you are rich in mercy through Jesus Christ.**

Strengthen our faith and trust in you.

We are empty vessels that need to be filled.

**Fill us**.

We are weak in faith.

**Strengthen us.**

We are cold in love.

**Warm us.**

Through your Holy Spirit,

***grant us the joy of our salvation. Amen.***

#### SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

#### HEARING THE WORD

**Children’s time:** Zachariah Hunt

**Scripture reading:** Romans 3:21-26

**Sermon:** Frances Ringenberg

“Standing in the Story”

#### RESPONDING

***Hymnal* 407** – “We are people of God’s peace”

**Sharing joys and concerns:** Anna Ruth Hershberger

**Offering – *Sing the Journey* 53** – “O God in heaven”

**Pastoral prayer:** Nelson Kraybill

#### SENDING

***Sing the Story* 57 *–*** “Go, my friends, in grace”

Benediction: Nelson Kraybill

*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:** *Ben Ollenburger*

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

**Song leader:** *Kyle Weirich*

**Prayer team:** *Nelson Kraybill, Anna Ruth Hershberger*

**Spanish translator:** *TBA*

**Visuals:** *Worship Team*

**Usher:** *Marie Troyer*

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

**Hall monitor:** *Stan Robinson*

**Church nursery:** *Sidney Hawkins*

**Fellowship-15:** *Nestor, Felipe, Kimberly*

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

AV technician: *Milo Wiese*

**SECOND HOUR:**

**Children**:

*Kindergarten–Grade 4 – Lower Level*

*Grades 5-8 – Pedal Power Bike shop*

**Adults:**

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

**Multi-Colored Bible** discussion meets in the classroom near the elevator on the lower level at 11:10am today; all are welcome to join. Topic: Genesis 1 and how ancient biblical creation stories relate to poetry, art and modern science. Teachers: Nelson Kraybill and Eleanor Kreider.

**NEXT SUNDAY: All Saints Day**

**Sermon:** *Nelson Kraybill*

**Worship Leader:** *Osée Tshiwape*

**Song Leader:** *Nicky Smith Slagel*

**Prayer team:** *Anna Ruth Hershberger, Lois Longenecker*

**Visuals:** *Worship team*

Pre-service music: *Music team/instruments*

Usher: *Becky Miller*

Greeter: *Rachel Denlinger*

Hall monitor: *Jerry Miller*

Church nursery: *LaNasha Taylor*

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

AV technician: *Nick Bouwman*

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**Today: Prairie Street Mennonite Church** will host the Interdenominational Ministers Alliance worship service 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.

**Next Sunday:** The**PSMC**M**embership/Baptism Exploration**Group will meet during the noon potluck. Currently there are four persons exploring membership and one exploring baptism. If you are not part of this exploration group, but would like to be, you are welcome!

**Handmade and international gifts that support missions:**  The CMI Bazaar “Beautiful Things Marketplace” will be on Sunday, November 12, 3:00-5:00pm 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.

**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 dates for the practices will soon be announced. A Thanksgiving offering will be taken for Church Community Services. Please put this event on your calendar!