

Attendance last Sunday: 80
General Fund offering: \$2,655.50 + year-to-date = \$106,692.96
General Fund contributions budgeted for all of 2018: \$218,488.55
Nehemiah Fund pledges: \$167,555.28; received to date: \$167,895.28

THIS WEEK

Monday, 3:00pm – Transition Team Meeting
Monday, 4:30/5:30/6:30pm – Music Together classes
Tuesday, 6:30pm – ESL classes
Wednesday, 4:30pm – Rhythm Kids
Thursday, 9:30am – Mennonite Women Service Circle
Thursday, noon – Bulletin items due
Thursday, 6:30pm – ESL classes
Sunday – World Communion Sunday
Sunday, October 7, noon – Potluck meal

COMING EVENTS – October

11 – Open Circle & Friends, 8:30am
12-14 – Men's & Women's Retreats at Camp Friedenswald and Amigo Centre (see announcements)



Prairie Street Mennonite Church

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Website: <http://www.praiestreetmc.org>
Office Hours: Tues–Fri, 8:00am to 2:30pm
Administrative Assistant: Joy Detweiler
Custodians: Ron and Marie Troyer

Transitional Pastor: Steve Thomas (574-202-0048)
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Pastor Frances Ringenberg (574) 621-2676 mfrancesvr@gmail.com

Elders: Dorothy Wiebe-Johnson, Lois Longenecker, Anna Ruth Hershberger, Leo Rodriguez

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



PRAIRIE STREET MENNONITE CHURCH

1316 Prairie Street, Elkhart IN 46515-1687

Sunday, September 30, 2018

*Joyfully following Jesus in a spirit of celebration,
hospitality, and caring so that others may know
Jesus and follow his way of peace.*

GATHERING TO WORSHIP AND WELCOME

Sing the Journey 1 – “We sing to you, O God”

CALL TO WORSHIP AND OPENING PRAYER

SINGING

Hymnal 55 – “Cantemos al Señor (Let's sing unto the Lord)”

Hymnal 606 – “Oh, have you not heard”

CONFESSION OF FAITH AND WORDS OF ASSURANCE

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

HEARING THE WORD

Children's time: Jeanette Krabill

Scripture reading: I Kings 8:56-61

Sermon: Eleanor Kreider

“Worship – Why? How?”

RESPONDING

Hymnal 511 – “God, who touches earth”

Sharing joys and concerns: Leo Rodriguez

Offering

Pastoral Prayer: Lois Longenecker

SENDING

Hymnal 478 – “Sent forth by God's blessing”

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*
Song Leader: *Carolyn Gardner Hunt*
Sharing Time: *Leo Rodriguez*
Prayer Team: *Lois Longenecker, Leo Rodriguez*
Visuals: *Frances Ringenberg, Eleanor Kreider*
AV Technician: *Orion Blaha*
Usher: *Becky Miller*
Greeter: *Mary Kathryn Miller*
Hall Monitor: *Jerry Miller*
Church Nursery: *LaNasha Taylor*
Fellowship 15 **Please see Mary Alice to Sign up!**
Building Lock-up: *Al Longenecker*

Second hour:

All ages are encouraged to gather in the Fellowship Hall for continued work on the Prairie Street timeline.

NEXT WEEK: World Communion Sunday

Sermon: *Carolyn Gardner Hunt*
Worship Leader: *To be determined*
Song Leader: *To be determined*
Communion: *Frances Ringenberg*
Children's Time: *Steve Wiebe-Johnson*
AV Technician: *TBD*
Usher: *Becky Miller*
Greeters: *Al & Lois Longenecker*
Hall Monitor: *Jerry Miller*
Church Nursery: *LaNasha Taylor*
Fellowship 15" **Please see Mary Alice to Sign up!**
Building Lock-up: *Ron Ringenberg*

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Last Chance to schedule your interview with Pastor Steve as part of our transitional process! Please schedule with Joy in the office – call 293-0377 or send an email. If signing up for 12:00 or 6:00, indicate whether you want to meet over a meal.

Offering Counters: We need one more person to help count offering on the first Sunday of each month. If you are available to help once a month, please call or email Joy in the office.

Church Community Services is in need of items for their food pantry. Some suggested items include: Cereals, Pasta, Peanut butter, Boxed potatoes, Rice, toiletries, etc. There is a full list of items they are requesting, on the hallway bulletin board. Place your food items in the box in the foyer.

"Amazing Grace" - the new original musical based on the awe-inspiring true story behind the world's most beloved song - will be presented at the Lerner Theater, Friday, October 12, Saturday, October 13 and Sunday, October 14. Tickets are \$21/adult; \$18/student or seniors (60+). Amber Heydon, daughter of Carolyn, is a part of the ensemble in this production.

From the Ollenburger family: Join us for an evening of music and pie to celebrate our resident raconteur, Ben C. Ollenburger, on his 70th birthday and retirement after 41 years of teaching and service. October 27, 2018, 7:00 p.m. at the Chapel of the Sermon on the Mount, Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary. Please let us know if you're able to attend. Please respond by Friday, October 12. RSVP at the website: katherineollenburger.com/rsvp.

It's not too late to register for these upcoming retreats!

"Consider it all Joy" is the theme for the Women & Girls fall retreat at Amigo Centre, October 12-14. Cyneatha Millsaps, recently named Executive Director of Mennonite Women USA, will be the speaker. Girls (third grade and older) are invited to attend with an adult. To register, contact Amigo Centre (269) 651-2811 or go to <http://www.amigocentre.org/in-mi-mennonite-womens-fall-retreat.html>

"Healthy Masculinity: On Being a Man" is the theme for the Men and Boys retreat at Camp Friedenswald, October 12-14. In this gathering of men and boys, we will explore how healthy masculinity is better for everyone. Mennonite Men Executive Director Steve Thomas will be the speaker. To register or for more information call (269) 476-9744 or go to <https://friedenswald.org/retreats/#mens-retreat>