



**Men's Discussion Group—Tuesdays 7-8 am**

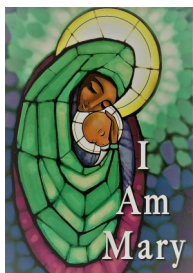
**Where:** The Mill 48th & Prescott

Combined November and December – **Ladies Night Out** meets at Shirlette's House for **snacks and a white elephant gift exchange** by the fire. Where: Shirlette's Place – 1301 Sycamore Dr. When: Friday Nov. 30 7pm-9pm. Please Bring: A snack to share; a donation for the *Friendship Home* (most needed items – pajamas, towels, washcloths, NEW pillows); A \$10 gift for the white elephant exchange. Please send Shirlette a message on Facebook or call 402-805-4031 with any questions.



We still have openings to provide **dinner for the Youth Group**. If you are interested in providing a meal, please sign up at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c054bafac2ca3fc1-youth3> or contact the church office.

**More Fun Than Black Friday!** Advent and Christmas are right around the corner! Get into the spirit of the season and help to decorate the church for the holidays. Come when you can and stay as long as you like. Monday, November 26 at 1:30 pm: We'll be decorating the sanctuary and narthex areas. Wednesday, November 28 after the soup supper and Advent service: We'll hang the greens and decorate the tree in the Welcome Center.



**I Am Mary.** This advent focus will begin for the Wednesday morning Bible study on November 28 and continue through December 19. Pastor Thomas will start a Tuesday 12:00 pm Table Talk beginning December 4; and the book will also be the focus during Wednesday evening Advent worship. Join either of these groups, or plan to attend worship at 6:30 pm Wednesdays!

### Check the Welcome Desk for Poinsettia forms!

If you wish to provide a Poinsettia for the church sanctuary for Advent, please complete the form and mail or bring to the church office by December 3. Make all checks payable to Eastridge Church noting on the check that it is for a Poinsettia.



**Thank you** to all of the volunteers who helped in any way last Sunday at our annual Thanksgiving meal. Special thanks to Pam Schumacher and Deb Kilian for their work in organizing the event.



**The challenge:** in order to meet our anticipated income for the year, we are extending a giving challenge of \$250,000 during this final quarter of the year. Please, consider helping us meet our budgeted expenses through the rest of the year. Every gift, large or small, matters!



### Eastridge Church Staff

Rev. Dr. Melodie Jones Pointon.....Senior Pastor  
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# EASTRIDGE

Presbyterian Church

*The weekly Lamp*



**Today at Eastridge:** *Thank Offering Sunday*

9:00 am *Worship—Sanctuary*  
10:00 am *Congregational Meeting—Sanctuary*  
10:00 am *Coffee/Fellowship—Welcome Center*  
11:00 am *Worship—Sanctuary*  
11:15 am *Preschool Faith Connection—L13*

### Prayers

**Church Phone:** 402-488-7844 to request prayers.



**Prayer Concerns:** Jean Taylor, Don Nelson

Anne Loudon's parents **Ron and Jane Stockfleth** of Hooper, NE, are frequent Eastridge visitors and will be with us in worship this Sunday as they celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary this weekend (actual anniversary date is Nov. 30). Happy Anniversary!



## CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

**Congregational Meeting TODAY** between services. This meeting is to nominate those called to serve as officers, and to approve the pastors' terms of call. Meeting is scheduled for 10:00 am, between services.

*Deacon:* Neil Bateman, Nyabuoy Chan, Peter Dak, Carla Green, LaDonna Grubbs, Diane Worrell-Eaton, Andy Kalnins, Brandi Phillips. *Elder:* Robin Hadfield, George Kilpatrick, Jen Olsen, Lois Wies. *Memorials & Endowments:* Steve Anderson, Greg Jensen, Duane Olsen, Beth Birnstihl. *Nominating Committee:* Dave Gies, Becky Rankin. *Trustees:* Ed Arthur, Susan Budler, Tanner Hilzer.

**COFFEE FELLOWSHIP:** Shirley Flynn and Susan Taylor

**USHERS:** 9:00 am Debbie Hicks, Phyllis Hyde  
Rogene Lowery, Susan Taylor

11:00 am Shirley Flynn, Nancy Brumbaugh, Julie Gies

**LITURGIST:** Ivy Hanson, Carolyn Olsen

**ACOLYTE:** Ben Dak, Mia Olsen

**NURSERY CARE:** Upstairs at the end of the east hallway

**SANCTUARY CLEANUP:** Holcombes

**Cornucopia of Caring!** As you give thanks for all of your blessings, remember the greatest blessing is sharing with others. Help fill the Cornucopia of Caring by donating items to the Eastridge Food Pantry. The Cornucopia is located in the sanctuary. We accept any donation: big or small, one can or twenty, food or cash. A list is available at the Welcome Desk! Any financial donation can be made to the "Pantry". Keep in mind, the Pantry is funded entirely through direct donation, not the General Fund – this is why your support is so essential.



Time to think about **Per Capita!** This year it is \$ 40 per member. When each Eastridge member pays his/her per capita, it allows our offerings to fund more items in the general budget. Some interesting facts: during the years 2010-2015, Eastridge contributed \$ 3,000 or under per year. Since we've been educating the congregation on per capita, we've been able to put \$ 4,000 (per year) toward our total (approx.) \$ 30,000 per capita. This year, we are currently at \$ 3,600.

Join Eastridge Presbyterian Women in welcoming Rev. **Stacy Martin** today. Martin is the President and CEO of Lutheran Family Services of Nebraska, one of our local mission partners.



## At Eastridge today and coming soon!

### COMMUNION IN 2019:

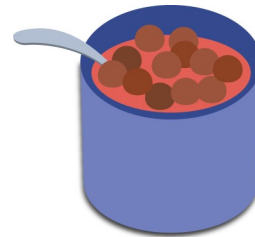
**Help! We need more servers for communion for the upcoming months.** If you haven't turned in your survey, please do; or, pick up a survey at the Welcome Desk.



Thank you for the immediate response to our **2019 Stewardship Pledge Drive.** Our finance committee is hard at work to make the budget balance for next year. We are currently working with the requests from the different ministries of the church, and are currently evaluating what our giving will be able to fund. We have asked the congregation to **increase giving by 3% for 2019,** making our giving goal for 2019 \$605,000. Please help us reach this goal! Thank you, for all of your gifts and contributions.



**ADVENT SOUP SUPPERS:** Sign up to provide a crock pot of soup for our Advent Soup Suppers! Sign up at: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c054bafac2ca3fc1-soup2>. Or call the office!



**Angel– Mitten Tree 2018:** The tree will be up in the Welcome Center before Thanksgiving! There will be angels and ornaments with wishes from the following Lincoln entities: Cedars, Aging Partners, Fresh Start, Clinton Elementary, Lefler Middle School, Presbyterian Mission, and several families. Follow the instructions on the back of the angel or ornament.

## This Week at Eastridge

### MONDAY, NOVEMBER 19

- 9:00 am LARSP Board Meeting—M12
- 1:30 pm Tai Chi Class—Narthex
- 6:30 pm CS Lewis study—Huxtable Lounge
- 6:30 pm "Searching and Fearless" AA Meeting—M12
- 6:30 pm Lincoln Irish Dancers—Roeske Fellowship Hall

### TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 20

- 7:00 am Men's Study—The Mill on Prescott
- 9:30 am Staff Meeting—Conference Room
- 5:30 pm Fresh Start Board Meeting—Fellowship Hall
- 6:00 pm PEO Meeting—Huxtable Lounge
- 6:30 pm Bell Choir—L4

### WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 21

- 6:30 am Men's Fellowship Breakfast—Hyvee on O Street
- 11:30 am A+ Academy Thanksgiving Meal—Fellowship Hall
- 1:30 pm Chair Yoga—Narthex

### THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 22

**Happy Thanksgiving!**



### FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 23 & SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 24

No scheduled events

### SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 25

- 9:00 am Worship—Sanctuary
- 10:00 am Coffee—Welcome Center
- 10:00 am Confirmation Mentor Meeting—M12
- 11:00 am Worship—Sanctuary

