

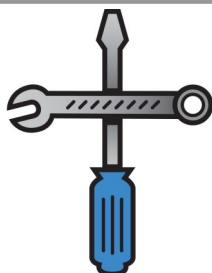


**Men's Discussion Group—Tuesdays 7-8 am**

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



**Pastor Melodie's Sabbatical:** Pastor Melodie will be on sabbatical from Monday, January 21 through Sunday, March 3. Her regular duties will be appropriately delegated temporarily to Associate Pastor Thomas Dummermuth; Treasurer, Bill Whiston; and personnel elders Doug McDaniel and Kurt Beck.



**CHURCH MAINTENANCE**

With some changes to personnel at the end of January, the church office is putting together a **list of volunteers** who could: 1) help with large room setups, specifically funeral luncheons. 2) help with general maintenance. Maintenance categories include: painting and repair.

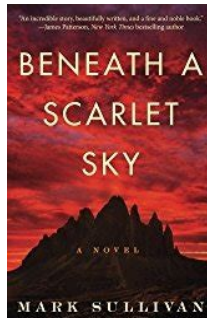
Please call the church for more information, if you think you may be able to be on either list!

# THIS YEAR'S BUDGET

At this year's annual meeting, the session felt it was important to share some information regarding our **2019 budget**.

At the January meeting, the session made changes (cuts) to the 2019 budget in three areas: Mission/Outreach, Personnel, Per Capita. You can find specific information in the February newsletter.

In summary: We are trying to be fiscally responsible and conservative, meeting the changes that are happening in society. At the same time, we want to recognize that we are a thriving, healthy, growing church. Our statistics are encouraging: 29 new members in 2018, growth of 25% in our children's ministry, a strong youth ministry, a vibrant music ministry, and growth in our worship attendance in the last quarter of the year. Thank you for your continued support of Eastridge!



**March Book Club:** Our March pick is *Beneath a Scarlet Sky* by Mark Sullivan. We'll meet Monday, March 11 at 7:00 pm in the Conference Room. Since we cancelled February's meeting due to weather, we'll also discuss *Educated* by Tara Westover (February pick). Join us in March for discussion and refreshments!

Check out the Welcome Desk for **Dinner for Six** sign-up forms. Fill out and leave in the offering plate or office inbox. Dinner for Six is a great way to meet other congregation members over a meal, once a month, for four months (or longer!)



### Eastridge Church Staff

Rev. Dr. Melodie Jones Pointon.....Senior Pastor  
Rev. Thomas Dummermuth.....Associate Pastor  
Rev. Dr. John Duling.....Parish Associate  
Kris Adler-Brammer.....Youth and Children's Ministries  
Donna Gustafson.....Office Manager  
Andy Kalnins.....Night/Weekend Custodian  
Brian Lew.....Adult Choir Director  
Will McGuire.....Worship Leader  
Travis Worsham.....Organist  
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# Meet Our Staff

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Presbyterian Church

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### *Today at Eastridge:*

9:00 am Worship—Sanctuary

11:00 am Worship—Sanctuary

11:15 am Preschool Faith Connection—L13

**Prayer Concerns:** Maria Wells



**PRAYERS**

**Condolences** to Terry and Sue Johnson and family on the loss of Terry's mother, Dolores.

Memorial service for **Walt French** will be held March 14 at 2:00 pm. More info to come.

**Happy Birthday** to Harold Edwards, who turns 93, and Margaret Ottoson, who turns 99 TODAY, February 17; and Mary Urbom, who turns 91 February 22.



We would like to share our sincere thanks to each of you who lovingly supported our efforts by attending and contributing to our **"Say It With Music" concert to benefit the Choral**

**Scholars Fund.** It was a delightful time together where we sang, we played, we laughed and we praised. Our hearts are full! We are so blessed to belong to such a generous and loving community of faith. If you were not able to attend, contributions are still being received for the Choral Scholars Fund and can be given to Donna in the office at any time. *With deep gratitude, Diane and Patty, Joel, Sarah, Jimmy, Madeline, Jackie and Laini*

**COFFEE FELLOWSHIP:** Shirley Flynn Bell/Gary Olsen

**USHERS:** 9:00 am Stephen Taylor, Don Mach,  
Jeff Mach, Darrell Nelson

11:00 am George Lanz, Nancy Brumbaugh

**LITURGIST:** Bill Wehrbein

**ACOLYTE:** Cody Chapman, Mia Olsen

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

**SANCTUARY CLEANUP:** Kilpatricks

## New Ministry

**New Ministry Being Considered:** Eastridge is considering a new ministry in the area of alcohol/drug issues. Many people in our community are impacted by alcohol and drug

problems daily. If you feel that our congregation has a role to play in supporting recovery or in preventing problems, then you are a candidate for this ministry. If you've found help in the Twelve Step program or other spiritual disciplines for problems like alcohol, drugs, overeating, or other forms of dependence, you're also a candidate for this ministry. If you want to learn more, please contact Pastor Thomas [tdummermuth@eastridge.org](mailto:tdummermuth@eastridge.org)



**LIBRARY:** Have you checked out the Little Free Library on the Eastridge property? There are currently many titles and genres to choose from, including many children's books. Check it out! It's on the north side of the parking lot, near the Sunrise Road entrance.



**HOSPICE SINGERS:** Our Eastridge Hospice Singers are available to provide singing visits for loved ones and friends journeying through hospice care. To schedule a singing visit, contact Patty Niemann at 402-432-8353 or [pniemann54@gmail.com](mailto:pniemann54@gmail.com).

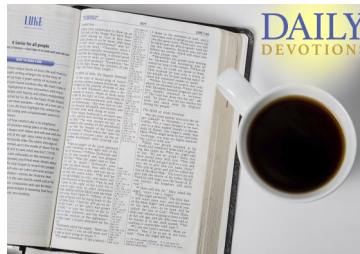
## At Eastridge today and coming soon!

### At the Welcome Desk:

- Info about camp at **Calvin Crest**
- Sign up to provide **flowers** for the sanctuary
- 2018 **Annual Report**
- **Dinner for Six** forms



THANK YOU to all who donated to the Souper Bowl of Caring! We collected \$1,381 and 88 food items for the pantry at Eastridge. Your generous donations will assist our pantry as we work to feed those in need.



We are always looking for more writers for our online **devotion ministry!** Please contact the office if you are interested in writing. To read the devotions, sign up in the office, or go to: [www.eastridgedailydevo.blogspot.com](http://www.eastridgedailydevo.blogspot.com)

**Bistro Theology is Back!** Bistro Theology will next meet on Thursday, February 28, 7-9pm (Note the new weekday). **Where:** The Piedmont Bistro by Venue. **What Bistro Theology is:** a monthly conversation in Lincoln NE about stuff that matters. For more information, contact the office or Rev. Thomas Dummermuth.

**Bistro Theology**  
FAITH. DRINKS. DISCUSSION. QUESTIONS.

## This Week at Eastridge

### MONDAY, FEBRUARY 18

9:00 am LARSP Board Meeting—M12  
1:30 pm Tai Chi Class—Narthex  
6:30 pm "Searching and Fearless" AA Meeting—M12  
6:30 pm Lincoln Irish Dancers—Fellowship Hall  
7:00 pm Monday Night Bible Study—Huxtable Lounge

### TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 19

7:00 am Men's Bible Study—The Mill on Prescott  
9:30 am Staff Meeting—Conference Room  
1:00 pm Living Well with Diabetes Class—M12  
3:15 pm Elementary Faith Connection—various  
5:15 pm Children's Music—L4  
6:00 pm PEO Chapter FG—Huxtable Lounge  
6:30 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal—L4

### WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 20

6:30 am Men's Fellowship Breakfast—HyVee on O Street  
10:30 am Wednesday Morning Bible Study—Conference Room  
1:30 pm Aging Partners Yoga—Narthex  
4:00 pm Food Pantry Distribution  
5:30 pm Youth Faith Connection  
6:30 pm Confirmation Class—M12  
7:00 pm Chancel Choir—Sanctuary

### THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 21

1:30 pm Tai Chi Class—Narthex  
5:30 pm Trustees Meeting—Conference Room  
6:30 pm Session Meeting—M12  
6:30 pm Deacons Meeting—Huxtable Lounge

### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 22 & SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 23

No scheduled activities

### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 24

9:00 am Worship—Sanctuary  
10:00 am Confirmation Mentor Meeting—M12  
11:00 am Worship—Sanctuary  
11:15 am Faith Connection for Preschool—L13