



My children have been interested in hearing stories from our lives for quite some time, and we've found that it's hard to remember our lives on demand. So I was happily surprised when I recently purchased the Game of Life for my family. You see, we're at that age and stage where games of all sorts are a big hit for all of us. So I thought it would be a good time to bring this childhood favorite of mine into our game library. We have had so much fun! It's just as good as I remembered, with a couple of fun adjustments (we have the pet version!).

I didn't realize, however, how many opportunities playing the game would give us for sharing stories. At every stage of life (in the game), there are opportunities

through action cards, career cards, pet cards, and house cards to share stories of our childhood, our present, and our future.

This year, we would like to invite our congregation and community to share stories of the "milestones" of our lives. By milestones we mean those points in our

life and faith that become the turning points in our stories. We invite you to explore these with us in a couple of ways:

First, our worship this fall will take us back to those Biblical characters of our childhood that are mentioned by the author of Hebrews in chapter 11. In a sermon series called, "Heroes of the Faith," we will hear anew the stories of Deborah and Barak, Samson and Delilah, Elijah and Elisha, and David and Mephibosheth. Then, we will look to the churches John of Patmos writes to in Revelation, ending with a vision of the future in Revelation 21.

We also invite you to participate in GiFT (Growing in

Faith Together) the first Wednesday of the month. Inspired by the outline of Rachel Held Evans book, Searching for Sunday, and the Game of Life, we will explore each milestone – birth (baptism), career (vocation), shelter (community and communion), marriage (Kingdom of God), moving (confession), crisis (healing), retirement (re-committing our faith), and resurrection (new life).

You will also find information for all our ministries in these pages. We would like to encourage you to join us, whether you're returning, or for the first time, to one of these opportunities to share our lives and our faith.

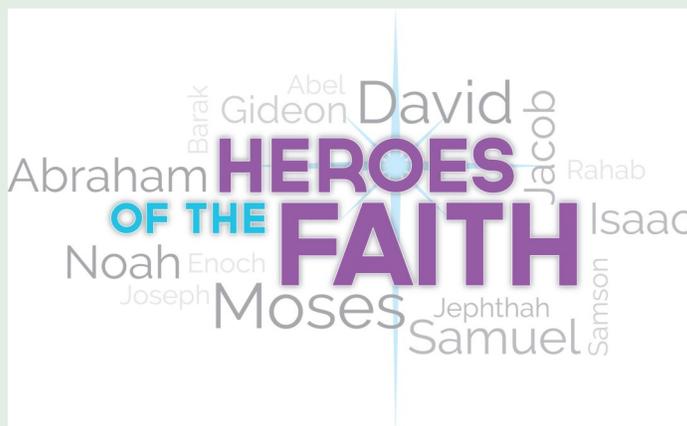
The writer of Hebrews concludes the list of Heroes of the Faith in chapter 12, saying, "Therefore, since we are

surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the

cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God." It is our hope and our prayer that this fall we will all be renewed in our faith in Jesus Christ through exploring these milestones. Because, yes, of course, there are heroes of the faith throughout the Biblical witness, but as always, dear friends, I would like to remind you that you are a hero of the faith, too. One of the great cloud of witnesses that inspires others (including me.) So, please, join us as we explore the stories of the heroes of our faith this fall!

In Christ,

Melodie





GiFT is moving!

Wait, moving? No worries! GiFT, the core program at Eastridge isn't going anywhere. But with its fourth season, the creative, educational, interactive and intergenerational ministry will now new take place on the evening of the first Wednesday night each month.

Who is GiFT for?

Literally for everyone. Meaning: for youth, singles, couples, moms and dads, college students, teenagers, kids, grandmas and grandpas, empty nesters, newcomers, working people, retired people, people with pets, and for those without. In short: for everyone (did we say that already?).

What are the goals of GiFT?

GiFT reclaims God's intent for faith to be shared in community and across generations. Through an experience of learning together, sharing faith, praying together, serving and celebrating rituals

and traditions, GiFT helps connect families and individuals who want to spend more quality time together. GiFT builds relationships between the generations and across the congregation. By sharing our faith stories and learning from each other, we Grow in Faith Together.

What does a GiFT event look like?

GiFT takes place on the first Wednesday each month.

A GiFT event begins at 5:30 pm with a joint dinner and a time of fellowship in the fellowship hall. At the heart of a GiFT evening is a fun interactive experience that centers around milestones of our lives, and engages all ages. GiFT also offers practical tools to nurture the faith of families and individuals in our daily lives.

Come join us on September 4th, as we start our new year of Growing in Faith Together.

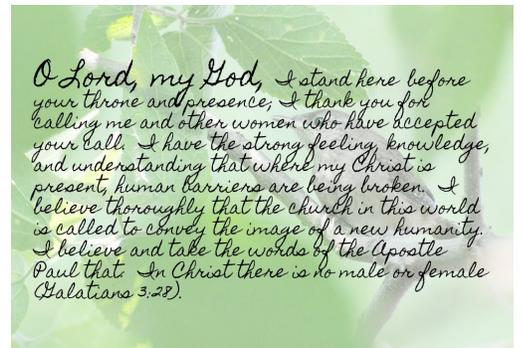
(look for more information on GiFT on the following page)



We heard you!

Some of you commented that you missed having the prayers in the bulletin, that you would often take a copy home and cut out the prayer for your nightstand or refrigerator.

We are now including these prayers of confession, illumination, and others on the devotion website and making cards. The cards will be printed for you to take on the shelf just around the corner from the narthex.



O Lord, my God, I stand here before your throne and presence, I thank you for calling me and other women who have accepted your call. I have the strong feeling, knowledge, and understanding that where my Christ is present, human barriers are being broken. I believe thoroughly that the church in this world is called to embody the image of a new humanity. I believe and take the words of the Apostle Paul that "In Christ there is no male or female" (Galatians 3:28).



GiFT Theme 2019-2020: “The Game of Life”

Since its conception in 1860, the “The Game of Life” has been a favorite with children and adults alike. While many elements have changed with each of the at least 10 different incarnations, one thing has remained the same: the goal to win the game, by reaching the Millionaire Mansion and making the most money.

Life is full of surprises. You can risk everything for big gains - or you can lose it all in a moment.

But how does one win in real life? What does that even mean? Is there such thing? This answer might not be quite so clear.

One similarity between the board game and our lives, however, is that both include milestones: moments in our life that are turning points in our stories.

Often, these turning points in our lives also become turning points in our faith. Some of them, like baptism, are known as sacraments that are celebrated with a whole church family. Others are private mo-



ments that usually don't get the same attention in the life of a congregation.

This year, our GiFT theme invites us in a playful, yet intentional way to engage with all kinds of milestones and reflect on our life stories. Over the course of the next 8 months, we want to name



some of our personal and communal turning points, explore, celebrate and bless them. And together, may we discover in each one of them a particular gift that God presents to our community of faith.

Come join us, as we embark on this playful journey through our milestones and sacraments, inspired by the Game of Life:

Outline:

Sep 4 - Birth: Baptism

Oct 2 - Career: Vocation

Nov 6 - Home: Community and Communion

Dec 4 - Marriage: Kingdom and Kin-ship

Jan 1 - Moving: a Fresh Start

Feb 5 - Crisis and Healing

Mar 4 - Retirement: Re-committing Our Faith

Apr 1 - In Our End a New Beginning



Highlights from the Eastridge Food Pantry!

First of all, thank you for your continued support – both financially and to all of our folks that volunteer in some way. We are helping so many families in the Lincoln community!

In May, we expanded our distribution from one day a week for 3 hours to two days for 2 hours each – now on Wednesdays and Sundays. We have had great success with this change and couldn't have done it without your support! Here's a look at our numbers so far:

	# of customers	# of family
January	299	68
February	257	61
March	236	74
April	273	71
May	404	112
June	485	116
Total to date:	2030	502

You can see how many people we now help just by adding an hour of distribution each week. With this many folks coming to our pantry we still need your help in making this all happen and being successful!

If you would like to make a donation to the pantry – mark your envelope or check with “Food Pantry” and drop it off in the offering plate during service or at the

Church Office.

If you would like to volunteer for the Food Pantry— we have many opportunities available, contact Heather Douglas at 402-560-5271.

Thank you to those who attended our Annual Pantry Picnic on August 18!

CAUTION: GOD AT WORK BUILDING HOPE

Watch out for the caution yellow tape in the southwest corner of the Welcome Center! But don't avoid the “GOD AT WORK” area; stop by to learn more about our congregation's mission activities. This June, the foundation for BUILDING HOPE in our community and around the world is being laid with an overview of the ministry and giving opportunities available.

Each month through the next year, a ministry of outreach and service will be featured. The four offering opportunities we share with all PCUSA congregations will also be highlighted. Learn more about how you can participate, support, and promote GOD AT WORK

through our congregation. Check the display area regularly and prayerfully consider: How will you help BUILD HOPE?

For more information, contact a member of the Outreach Committee (Bill Wehrbein, chair; Jo Bateman; Chris Boone; Noel DeKalb; Carol McClain; Berna Stading; and Thomas Dummermuth, staff).

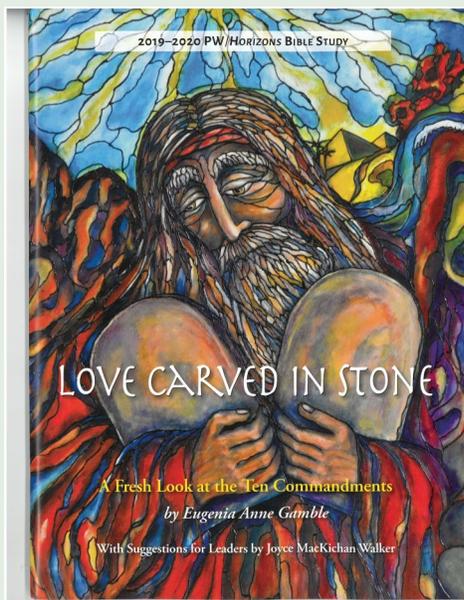




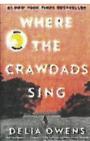
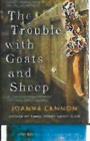
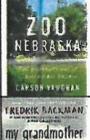
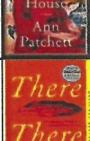
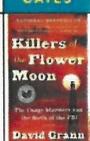
Eastridge Presbyterian Women

This season why not join a circle of women studying the Bible, praying together and reaching out to one another? Eastridge offers EPW (Eastridge Presbyterian Women). Meeting the first Wednesday of the month, four different circles of women meet either morning, afternoon or evening. On the third Wednesday you can join all of the circles in the Huxtable Lounge for lunch and a speaker. Interested? (And we hope you are!) Contact Berna Stading or Susan Taylor.

Eastridge Presbyterian Women, check out the table in the Welcome Center for your Circle study books and yearbooks. They are organized by Circle group. We look forward to a new year of “Love Carved in Stone” as our lesson book, and Circle fellowship each month!



EPC Book Club: Our EPC Book Club starts a new year in September! Join us as we read and discuss books from September through June. Our first book of the year is *Where the Crawdads Sing* by Delia Owens. We'll meet Monday, September 9 at 7 pm in the Conference Room. The list can also be found on the church website.

September 9		<i>Where the Crawdads Sing</i> by Delia Owens
October 14		<i>The Little Old Lady Who Broke All the Rules</i> by Catharina Ingelman-Sundberg
November 11		<i>The Trouble with Goats and Sheep</i> by Joanna Cannon
January 13		<i>Zoo Nebraska</i> by Carson Vaughan
February 10		<i>My Grandmother Asked Me to Tell You She's Sorry</i> by Fredrick Backman
March 9		<i>The Dutch House</i> , by Ann Patchett
April 13		<i>There, There</i> by Tommy Orange
May 11		<i>The Moment of Lift</i> by Melinda Gates
June 8		<i>Killers of the Flower Moon</i> by David Grann

EASTRIDGE

Presbyterian Church



July 19, 2019

Eastridge Presbyterian Church
1135 Eastridge Drive
Lincoln, NE 68510

Dear Brian Lew and Eastridge Presbyterian Church,

On behalf of the Nebraska Trumpet Ensemble, I would like to thank you for hosting NTE's trumpet recital featuring Tim Andersen on July 16th and for preparing a wonderful reception during intermission. We are especially grateful for the quick response to a larger than anticipated audience for the reception refreshments!

Thank you for supporting the Arts and working with us to make this performance possible. Your help in advertising in your bulletins and by posting flyers made a difference. We truly appreciate it, and look forward to working with you again in the future!

Sincerely,

Dean W. Haist
Executive Director

Dear Eastridge Presbyterian Church: Thank you so much for the opportunity to be the Children's Choir Director at Eastridge for the 2018-2019 school year. This was an unexpected opportunity that I was not sure I would succeed in. However, I learned so much about faith education, directing a music class, and the behaviors of young children. I never expected them to teach me so much. I now know that God had that in plan for me all along.

I am sending in my "resignation" letter, as I have been accepted into my dream graduate program at the University of Nebraska Medical Center in Omaha in Genetic Counseling. I will be moving there in August and will not be able to continue as the Children's Music Director this upcoming school year.

Thank you for your trust in me to spread God's Word through music to our future generations. I hope to continue as a Faith Educator/Worship Musician at other churches in the future, as I grow in my relationship with God.

Sincerely, *Jessie Poskochil*





Joseph

Friends at Eastridge Presbyterian Church, Thank you for the amazing luncheon, beautiful service, and for helping make the 2019 service dog camp a success



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From all of us...

We Give Thanks

Your dedication and support helps us every day, in all we do, to help others gain more independent lives.

We are grateful for your generosity, time and talents.

Joseph

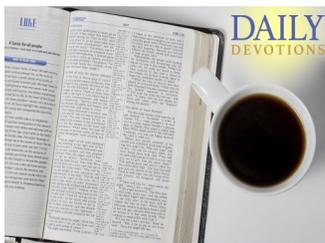


Swamp



Brent Shaw, Organist

Born in Atlanta, Georgia, Brent got his Master degrees in Music and in Ministry in North Carolina and has served at several churches in capacities as organist and in youth, children, music, worship, missions, and education ministries. He teaches organ locally, ages children to adults and at the collegiate level. He has a passion for Christ, for leading people of all ages into worship, and encouraging them to be passionate worshipers and worship leaders that follow Christ's examples to serve others. He and his family are blessed to work with foster children.



We are always looking for more writers for our online **devotion ministry!** Please contact the office if you are interested in writing.
eastridgedailydevo.blogspot.com

The Oestmann and Gies families would like to thank the congregation for their support and prayers after the passing of Jill. We also would like to express our appreciation to everyone who helped with the luncheon following the service. Please continue to keep our family in your prayers as we learn to live without our mother, wife & daughter. *Dave & Julie Gies and John, Morgan & Audra Oestmann*

Heartfelt Thanks



EASTRIDGE HOSPICE SINGERS

Organized in the fall of 2018, the Eastridge Hospice Singers is a group of hospice-trained musicians whose mission is to bring the peace and comfort of music to those in hospice care. Through requests made by family members, friends, care providers and pastors/ spiritual advisors, small groups of these hospice-trained volunteers provide singing visits to individuals receiving hospice at any stage of their life's journey. Our church financially and spiritually supports the Eastridge Hospice Singers of which is currently made up of 18 singers from six different denominations. They are formally associated with Tabitha Hospice and HoriSun Hospice but sing for anyone receiving hospice care with any hospice provider. They practice the first Thursday of each month and sing a cappella. To request a singing visit for someone in hospice care or to inquire about joining the Eastridge Hospice Singers, contact Patty Niemann at epc.hospice.singers@gmail.com or 402-432-8353.



Music Ministry

Children's Music: elementary students are invited to come to Children's Music on Tuesdays from 5:15 to 5:45 in the music room downstairs. Children will learn to use drums, hand-chimes, sing, and use sign language. They will help lead worship once or twice each semester.

Chancel Choir: the chancel choir is open to all adults and students who are in at least 6th grade. Rehearsals are on Wednesdays from 7:00-8:15 in the sanctuary and help lead worship weekly.

Kirk Ringers: the bell choir rehearses weekly on Tuesdays from 6:30-7:30 in the music room and helps to lead worship once a month. Rudimentary music understanding is helpful but not required.

Women's Choir: the women's choir comes together a few times each year to learn a piece or two for worship. Please contact Brian Lew if you are interested so he can reach out to you when the choir forms.

Instrumental ensemble: do you play an instrument? We would love to include you in worship. Music can be tailored to your playing abilities. Contact Brian Lew and let him know what instrument(s) you play!





Spiritual Direction with Rev. Dr. John Duling

What We Offer:

- **Formal Individual Spiritual Direction**
- **Group Spiritual Direction**
- **Retreats**
- **Exploration of Spiritual Exercises**
- **Centering Prayer**
- **Lectio Davina**
- **Welcoming Prayer**
- **Journaling**
- **Mandalas**
- **Prayer with Music**
- **Prayer with Poetry**
- **Prayer companioning**
- **Workshops**
- **Spiritual Formation**
- **Sabbath Living**

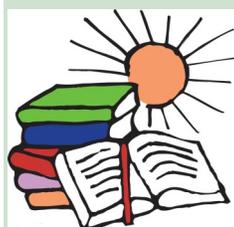
What is Spiritual Direction?

“Most people would agree that spiritual direction means companionship with another person or group

through which the Holy One shines with wisdom, encouragement and discernment. Some, however, expect this companionship to be of a professional nature, with a trained, supervised, and perhaps even certified spiritual director. Others see it as spontaneous and gifted, strongly resisting signs of professionalization.

Spiritual guidance can happen authentically in a vast variety of forms. The many forms can be divided into major groups: Formal spiritual direction and informal spiritual companionship.

Formal spiritual direction includes relationships that are explicitly defined as spiritual direction with a clear separation of roles between spiritual director and spiritual directee. Meetings are usually scheduled in advance on a regular basis, and a spiritual directee normally has only one formal director.”



Eastridge Presbyterian

Women: The books on the reading list are now available! Check out the marked shelf in the church library and get started reading!



Join us for an **Ice Cream Social** on Sunday, August 25 at 4:00 pm on the East Patio. Sponsored by the Communication/New Member and Hospitality Deacons.



Care Packages FOR COLLEGE STUDENTS



COLLEGE CARE PACKAGES:

We would love to send our college students off to school this fall with a great care package from EPC! In order to fill these care packages, we need your help. Below is a list of items requested. Please feel free to donate any item

in any quantity. If you aren't up for shopping but would still like to donate, you can make a cash donation which will be helped to purchase the items as well as pay for postage.

Individual servings of chips, pretzels, cookies, oatmeal, goldfish, easy mac n cheese, crackers, etc.

Laundry pods, dryer sheets (non-scented)

Band-aids, cough drops

Candy, granola bars/protein bars, microwave popcorn, gum, Crystal Light powder packets

Post-it notes, pens, highlighters, notecards

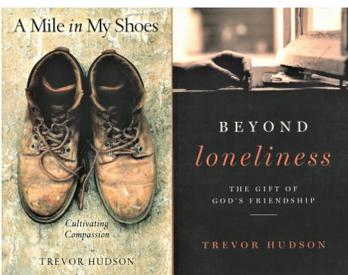
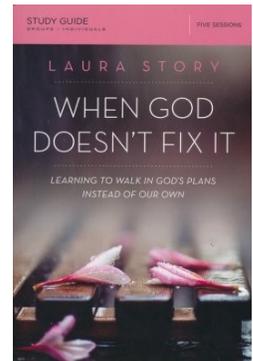
\$5 - \$10 Starbucks gift cards

We will be filling about 35 care packages so items in multiples are appreciated.

For more info, contact the office or Kris Adler-Brammer.

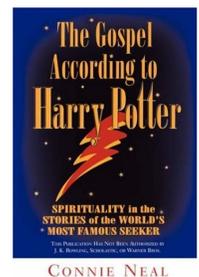
Adult Bible Studies:

Monday Evening Bible Study: This study meets at 7:00 pm Mondays during the school year, in a study leader's home. Begins Monday, September 9: **"When God Doesn't Fix It..."**. *"This is a study for anyone whose prayer was not answered in the way they expected, or maybe not in the timeframe they preferred. It is for anyone who has walks a hard road that's caused them to question their beliefs. For those who have found themselves at the holy crossroads for trying to decide whether to turn from God or trust Him with greater abandon..."*. Laura Story. For more information, contact the office or Doug McDaniel



Wednesday Morning Bible Study: This study meets at 10:30 am every Wednesday in the Conference Room. They are currently studying books by Trevor Hudson. For more information, contact the office or Donna Gustafson. Our book in August/September : *A Mile in My Shoes* by Trevor Hudson.

Thursday Evening Bible Study: This study meets at 6:30 pm most Thursdays, in Huxtable Lounge. Currently, the book they are working through is *The Gospel According to Harry Potter*. For more information, contact the office or Kylie Meter.





MINISTRY WITH CHILDREN

Faith Connection for Pre-school Children: Beginning September 8th, the preschool education class will resume during the 10:30am worship service. The children will begin their time in worship with their family. Following the Worship Connection, they will be invited to join their teachers for a Bible lesson that will include age appropriate activities. Their class will meet through the conclusion of worship.

Faith Connection for Elementary Children: The Faith Connection program for our elementary age children will resume on Tuesday, September 3rd. This is an after-school program that allows us two hours with our children to build relationships and develop faith. On Tuesday afternoons, we begin with some free play time, have a snack, engage in Bible study with age

appropriate activities, and provide worship education. From 5:15pm to 5:45pm, we will have our children's choir directed by Brian Lew. To assist families in participating in this ministry opportunity, we will provide



transportation for those that need it from school to the church. The Tuesday afternoon daily schedule begins with the complete of the school day and concludes at 5:45pm.

Acolytes: We will continue with acolytes during the worship services. If you have a 2nd through 5th grade student that would like to be part of worship as an acolyte during either worship service, please contact Kris Adler-Brammer in the church office.

“Pray”-Ground: The Pray-Ground is an area in the front corner of our sanctuary specifically set aside for young children during our worship services. It consists of a rug, small tables with child-sized chairs, coloring sheets, crayons, blocks, books and soft toys. We invite those bringing small children to worship to sit with their families in the chairs, pews, or on the rug with our youngest worshippers. In order to help our youngest children know how to worship in the space, we will incorporate opportunities for them to learn how to worship in this space.



MINISTRY WITH YOUTH

Faith Connection for Youth:

Youth programming will resume on Wednesday, September 4th from 5:30pm to 7:30pm. For this school year, our time together will include dinner, recreation, fellowship, and study. We will continue with some of our activities within this time frame:

Class dinners – On two/three occasions throughout the school year, we will

look for church members who are willing to host a specific grade in their home for dinner. In addition to dinner and fellowship, we will have a short devotion led by the hosts.

Popcorn theology – We can learn a lot from the movies! If

you watch, these usually always have a lesson for us. Several times throughout our year, we will look at some of the movies we watch and see what they might be teaching us about our faith.

Some new elements we will add this year are:



GiFT - Youth AND their families will join the GiFT programming that will occur on the first Wednesday of each month from 5:30pm to 7:30m. We are excited for this opportunity for families to have learning opportunities together.

Interest Groups – This year we are going to offer groups one Sunday a month that will allow youth to be in fellowship doing what they love or what they would like to learn to do. Members of the congregation will volunteer their gifts to teach our youth a new skill or join them in an activity that

they already like to do. These groups will be offered one Sunday a month in October, November, January, February, March, and April.

Times will be determined based on the leader and the activity.

A full schedule for the youth and their activities will be mailed to each family. This booklet will also include information on summer trips.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: We have some wonderful opportunities in place for our children and youth coming this fall. In order for these opportunities to happen, we need volunteers! Our volunteer opportunities vary in commitment and preparation. We will need:

Teachers – prepare and teach a lesson

Youth Group advisors – lead recreation, prepare and teach a lesson/activity

Transportation drivers – bring children from school to the church for afterschool programming

Snack/meal Providers – prepare a snack for the afterschool program or provide dinner for the youth group

If you would like additional information about what these opportunities mean or if you would like to volunteer, please talk with Lois Wies, Jen Olsen or Kris Adler-Brammer.





From the Outreach

Committee: About a year ago I submitted an article to the church newsletter about Eastridge Presbyterian Church's growing interest in missionary work in the Horn of Africa, especially South Sudan. Last August mission co-worker Sharon Kandel, Regional Liaison for the Horn of Africa, met with our Outreach Committee, EPC members Peter Dak and Nyalippe Dak, and others to brainstorm possible directions. One project that captured our imagination was to address the need for trauma counseling among the South Sudanese. After years of conflict South Sudan gained its independence from Sudan in 2011. But since 2013 the world's newest nation has been locked in a civil war that has become a humanitarian nightmare: 400,000 deaths, two million refugees, and another two million

internally displaced persons. To be effective, such counseling must be performed by those whose roots are in South Sudan. Since that time, we have identified seven people willing to be trained for this mission, four of whom are members of Eastridge.

In April of this year, Pastor Melodie and Pastor Jock Paleak (Associate Pastor at First Presby-

SERVE

terian Church) met with Dr. Frank Dimmock of the Outreach Foundation, who reported that research in the refugee camps in Ethiopia indicate that trauma training and counseling is one of the top needs of the South Sudanese. We feel that God is calling us to follow this path! He also expressed a willingness to help

support our efforts in this mission, connecting us with the work of the American Bible Society's Trauma Healing and Resiliency Equipping Ministry.

As I write this article, Melodie, Peter, and Nyalippe are attending the New Wilmington Mission Conference, where the Sudan/South Sudan Mission Network has invited Peter and Nyalippe to report on our project (photo below, left). The first week in August Eastridge Presbyterian Church will host a three-day Initial Trauma Healing Equipping Session, led by experienced facilitators from The American Bible Society, for a dozen students (photo below, right). Plans are developing for a first trip to the refugee camps in June 2020 to be led by Jock and Peter.

Bill Wehrbein
Outreach Committee





MUSIC NEWS: Interested in joining our music ministry? Contact Brian to see how you can help share your musical talents in worship in many different ways. Call the office, or email Brian at blew@eastridge.org.

HELP FOR THE HUNGRY



The **Eastridge Pantry Board** is planning to pursue certification as a Hunger Action Congregation through the Presbyterian Church (USA). This is a process which will help us challenge ourselves to expand our activities addressing hunger. As part of this process, the board's name is changing to the Hunger Action Board, and we will be addressing all hunger-related activities at

Eastridge, including the Eastridge Pantry, the Lefler Market, the Gathering Place, Meals on Wheels, the Crop Walk, the Bread Ministry, and Bread for the World. Please continue to pray that we may serve our neighbors near and far to focus on their hunger needs.

Join us - again or for the first time - at Bistro Theology!

When: Thursday, August 29

Where: The Piedmont Bistro by Venue

What Bistro Theology is:

a monthly conversation in Lincoln NE about stuff that matters.

a gathering space for people of all faith and non-faith backgrounds to come together and respectfully dialogue and question over life, spirituality, culture and society.

a celebration of our community and how we can challenge and learn from each other.

What Bistro Theology is not:

a slick new evangelism program.

a Bible study at the bar.

a church service.

a debate club.

Come join us at the *Piedmont Bistro* for Faith, Drinks, Discussions

Bistro Theology
FAITH. DRINKS. DISCUSSION. QUESTIONS



Eastridge Faith Partners is sponsoring a Parent Meeting that focuses on drug/alcohol prevention on Wednesday, October 9 (more info to come).

In the next few weeks, we'll be sharing statistics on drug/alcohol use in teens in the Lamp. Stay tuned for more information.



Coffee for Six or Lunch for Six:
Not able to make a commitment to meeting a group over dinner? Why not coffee? Pick up a form at the Welcome Desk!

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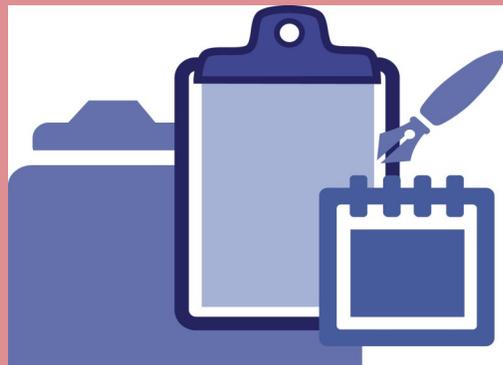
EASTRIDGE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH SESSION HIGHLIGHTS: JUNE-JULY 2019

The Session received three new members: Gregory and Cheryl Pohl and Stephen Kong.

The Session approved the baptism of Allen Jun Trauthen, son of Scott Allen Trauthen and Yue Trauthen, at the 9 a.m. service on July 28, 2019.

The Session received a report that Peter Dak and Nyalippe Dak will give a presentation at the South Sudan Mission Network Conference in New Wilmington, Pennsylvania, in July. They will report on the Trauma Healing Project Training.

The picnic for Pantry customers and volunteers is scheduled for August 18, 2019.



Church Session

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Scenes at Eastridge





Ministry for Adults:

Adult Bible Studies

Bistro Theology

Chancel Choir

The Gathering Place

EPC Book Club

EPW Gatherings

Eastridge Hospice Singers

Faith Partners

Food Pantry

GiFT Wednesday

Kirk Ringers

Ladies Night Out

Meals on Wheels

Men's Fellowship Groups

Prayer Shawl Group

Stephen Ministry

Trailblazers

Trauma Healing Equipping Sessions

Wednesday Worship in Advent & Lent

Women's Circle Groups

Women's 4th Friday Coffee

Ministry for Youth:

Chancel Choir

Confirmation Class

Faith Connection for Youth

Serve at The Gathering Place

Food Pantry

GiFT Wednesdays

Kirk Ringers

Worship in Advent

Worship in Lent

Youth Interest Groups



Ministry for Everyone:

GiFT Wednesday

Sunday morning Worship

Volunteer Opportunities

Worship in Advent & Lent



Ministry for Children:

Acolytes

Children's Music

Faith Connection for Pre-school Children

Faith Connection for Elementary Children

GiFT Wednesdays

Nursery

"Pray"ground

Worship in Advent and Lent

Worship Connection (Children's Sermon)



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Learn

SERVE

Programming Schedule for 2019/2020



KEY

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Y-MINISTRY FOR YOUTH

C-MINISTRY FOR CHILDREN

E-MINISTRY FOR EVERYONE

W-MINISTRY FOR WOMEN

M-MINISTRY FOR MEN



Date and time



Activity	W, S	Sundays	C
Acolyte (for 2nd-5th grades)	W, S	Sundays	C
Adult Studies (Monday 7pm, Wednesday 10:30am, Thursday 6:30pm)	W, L, S	various	A
Bistro Theology	L	Last Thursday of the month	A
Chancel Choir	W	Wednesdays at 7:00pm	A, Y
Children's Music	W	5:15-5:45 Tuesdays during school year	C
Confirmation Class	W, L, S	Retreats held during the year	Y
Devotion Ministry	S	Write as often as you'd like!	A, Y
Eastridge serves at The Gathering Place	S	Last Monday of every month	E
Eastridge Hospice Singers	W, S	Various; rehearsals on Thursdays	A
EPC Book Club	L	2nd Monday of the month during school year	A
EPW Gatherings	L, S	Third Wednesday of the month during school year	W
Faith Connection for Children in Preschool	W, L, S	Sundays during school year	C
Faith Connection for Elementary-Age Children	W, L, S	Tuesdays during school year	C
Faith Partners at Eastridge	S	Meetings the 2nd Thursday most months; special events	A, Y
Food Pantry	S	Volunteer on Wednesdays and Sundays	A, Y

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Worship, Learn, Serve
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L e a r n S e r v e



Date and time



Age group (key on each page)

	W, L, S	1st Wednesday of the month during school year	E
GiFT	W, L, S	Tuesdays at 6:30 pm	A, Y
Kirk Ringers	W	Quarterly throughout the year	W
Ladies Night Out	L	Call the office to volunteer!	A
Meals on Wheels	S	Wednesday mornings at 6am	M
Men's Fellowship Breakfast Group	L, S	Every Tuesday at 7am	M
Men's Tuesday Morning Bible Study	L, S	During worship services	C
"Pray"ground	W	Wednesdays	A
Prayer Shawl Group	W, S	6:00 pm prior to worship	E
Soup Suppers during Advent and Lent	S	Contact the church office for more information	A
Stephen Ministry	S	Thursday evenings at 6:30 pm	A
Thursday Night Bible Study	L	3rd Friday of the month except summer months	A
Trailblazers	L, S	6:30pm during Advent & Lent	E
Wednesday Worship in Advent and Lent	W, L	First Wednesday of the month; times vary; except summer	W
Women's Circle Groups	L	Wednesdays during the school year	Y
Youth—Faith Connection	W, L	Sunday following GiFT	Y
Youth — Interest Groups	W, L, S		

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