



*The weekly Lamp*

**Today at Eastridge:**

10:00 am *Worship—ONLINE*  
10:45 am *Virtual Coffee Fellowship via Zoom*

**Corona Bible Update:**

We have received hundreds of contributions to the Nebraska Corona Bible Project! Now we need YOUR HELP to review the submissions, sort them, and put them in the right order.



We are looking for groups of 1-4 volunteers who would come in one or two hours at a time to sort through the contributions we have received so far. You can pick your preferred date using the signup below (Note: the times are left blank. Please arrange with fellow participants about their preferred time.)

<https://bit.ly/SortBible>



The past three months of the COVID-19 pandemic have been hard on many, including churches. Eastridge loses approximately \$ 1300 monthly in offering plate contributions alone

(loose offering). **We are so thankful for those of you who continue to give!** You can give by going to [www.eastridge.org](http://www.eastridge.org) and clicking on the SERVE menu, then GIVE TO EASTRIDGE. There is also a Member Weblinks link at the bottom of the page. You can also mail your donation to: 1135 Eastridge Drive, 68510.

Income to date (July 24): \$ 265,509  
Needed for the year: \$ 314,491  
Last year (2019) at this time: \$ 303,251



**Weekly Wednesday Prayer** at 6:30 pm  
via Facebook Live

**Our 2020 Confirmands:** Katelyn Boden, daughter of Scott and Michelle, Bangot Dak, son of Peter and Nyabuok, Nyaluak Dak, daughter of Peter and Nyabuok, Thomas Davis, son of Sharleen, Nyakuar Kuon, daughter of Nyabuoy Chan, Hope Shortridge, daughter of Robby Shortridge and Kris Brenneis, Paul Shortridge, son of Robby Shortridge and Kris Brenneis, Anne Wies, daughter of Jim and Lois.



Join us August 9 at 7 pm for a physically distanced **ICE CREAM SOCIAL** in the church parking lot. ALSO: for children and youth, we will have a **"Back to School Blessing"**.  
More info in the August newsletter.



**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  
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**Send your prayer requests to:**  
[office@eastridge.org](mailto:office@eastridge.org)

**Happy Birthday to:** Betty Kent, who turns 91 August 6, and Harriet Rome, who turns 98 on August 7.

**Anti Racism Taskforce: Established by the Outreach Committee in keeping with our Matthew 25 commitment**

**"to emerge from this pandemic together as a united people."**

Denial is useful when information is too painful to accept. "Metastatic racism" is a shocking diagnosis for our society. We have a choice to deny the existence of racism or to recognize it, educate ourselves, and embark on an aggressive plan of intervention.

How To Be An Anti Racist, Ibram X. Kendi (2019) This book gives a clear and compelling way to approach, "the basic struggle we're all in, the struggle to be fully human and to see that others are fully human." (Available at Lincoln City Libraries and booksellers)

An interview with the Founders of Black Lives Matter, Three founders share what gives them hope and inspiration, how to participate in ensuring freedom for everybody: and "sharpen each other, so that we all can rise." (16 minutes)

[https://www.ted.com/talks/alia-garza-patrisse-cullors\\_and\\_opal\\_tometi\\_an\\_interview\\_with\\_the\\_founders\\_of\\_black\\_lives\\_matter?referrer=playlist-talks\\_to\\_help\\_you\\_understand\\_r](https://www.ted.com/talks/alia-garza-patrisse-cullors_and_opal_tometi_an_interview_with_the_founders_of_black_lives_matter?referrer=playlist-talks_to_help_you_understand_r)

I Didn't Tell You, Ever wonder what a day in the life of a person of color is like? Listen to this poem, written and spoken by Norma Johnson. (7 minutes).

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3UVlgjuovt8>

**"...each generation must do its part to create an even more fair, more just society." (John Lewis)**

