

EASTRIDGE

Presbyterian Church



The weekly Lamp

Today at Eastridge:

- 9:00 am Worship— IN PERSON
- 9:45 am Coffee Fellowship—Welcome Center
- 10:30 am Worship—Online
- 12:30 pm Special Musicians—various
- 12:30/1:00 pm Ladies Night Out at *Glacial Till*

Ushering at Eastridge: Here is the sign up for ushers. If you were an usher in the past, we would love to have you participate in this ministry again. Please sign up at the link below, or contact the office. You may also contact members of your former usher teams to coordinate.

<http://bit.ly/usherateastridge>

Uncertain about signing up online? Call the office and we can help, or we can sign you up.



2021 Budget \$ 552,800

In the general fund, we have received \$ 257,484 year-to-date.

We should be at \$ 297,661 to make budget for 2021.



Budget info



In July 1849, **Harriet Tubman** **escaped slavery** and went on to establish the **Underground Railroad** to help other slaves find freedom. Known as “Moses” and “The Black Ghost,” Tubman used her knowledge of herbs, astronomy, and human nature to improve the lives of over 3,000 slaves. Despite having experienced brain damage as a teenager, she created a complex system of signals and signs to indicate safe passageways for fugitive slaves. During the Civil War, Tubman served as a Union spy and as a nurse, taught soldiers to use natural herbs to treat cholera, yellow fever, and chicken pox. She received a military pension and honor before she died at age 91 in a charity home she founded.

“8 Amazing Facts about Harriet Tubman,” (BusinessInsider, Blake Stilwell, 4/21/16). Glimpse the life of Harriet Tubman,

founder of the Underground Railroad.

<https://bit.ly/365PsYO>

“Harriet Tubman,” (Biography, 6/3/21). Read about Tubman’s early life before she escaped slavery and her political advocacy in the later years of her life. <https://www.biography.com/activist/harriet-tubman>

“Harriet,” (Movie, 2019, PG-13, 2 hr. 5 min.). Harriet Tubman risks capture and death to guide hundreds to safety as one of the most prominent conductors of the Underground Railroad. She defied impossible odds to change the course of her life and the fate of the nation. (Fee/subscription to view-Hulu, Amazon Prime, YouTube, Google Play, Apple TV).

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LDEFa7Nzoel>

“Stand Up,” (YouTube music video, sung by Cynthia Erivo, October 2019, 5:02 min.). Theme song from the movie, “Harriet.”

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sn19xvfoXvk>

Prayers for: Harley Shortridge, Donna Gies

Flowers in the Sanctuary: If you are interested in providing flowers for in-person worship in the sanctuary, you may sign up here:

<http://bit.ly/flowersworship>

Today’s flowers provided by Duane and Carolyn Olsen, in honor of 60 years of marriage for Duane & Carolyn and for all July birthdays at Eastridge.



Baptized today: Hayden Christine Bouwens. Parents are Erin and Jesse Bouwens, sisters are Teagan and Brooklyn, grandparents are Dan and Judith Keller.

Thank you to all of you who offered condolences, sent cards, and shared kind words following the loss of my mother. You are appreciated! ~ *Donna Gustafson*



SERMON SERIES: This summer, Pastors Melodie and Thomas will take a look at sermons preached in the past. Is there a sermon from Pastor Melodie or Pastor Thomas that you recall:

You struggled to understand?

You loved?

You wanted to hear more about, because something in it stood out to you?

You had never heard the scripture preached in that way before?

We’d like to hear from you! Send an email with a brief description of what you recall, and we will do the rest!



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Coffee hour has returned to Eastridge on Sunday mornings! The coffee will be started for you, but otherwise the ministry looks the same as it did pre-COVID. Please plan to wear a mask when serving coffee.



Sign up here: <http://bit.ly/coffeeateastridge>

The Gathering Place:

Eastridge is presently committed to serving on the 4th Sunday (we picked this extra day up during COVID) and the 4th Monday of each month. PLEASE CONSIDER VOLUNTEERING TO HELP COVER THESE SPOTS EACH MONTH. You sign up for one evening at a time, and can do that as often as you wish, but even one time helps meet the need. You are welcome to invite non-EPC members to volunteer with you.

All volunteers at The Gathering Place, whether you have done this in the past or not, need to complete a Community Action Volunteer Application. You will then be given a PIN number to use each time you sign in to help.

To get a copy of this application, please contact Donna in the church office or Jo Bateman.

Once you have completed the application, you can sign up to volunteer, by going to the Eastridge Presbyterian website, select SERVE, and in the drop down menu, you will find the SignUp Genius for the Gathering Place OR you can call Donna in the church office to sign up.

Or click on the link below:

<http://bit.ly/gatheringplaceepc>



DEVOTION MINISTRY: We are always looking for new writers for our online devotion ministry. If you are interested in writing, even just occasionally, please contact the office for more information. If you'd like to receive a prompt and the link five days a week via email, let the office know as well.



Ladies Night Out: The Ladies Night Out group is planning a Sunday trip to Glacial Till TODAY. You can meet us there (around 1:00 pm), or meet us in the parking lot at 12:30 to carpool.

Deadline for the **August/September newsletter** is August 4. This is also our fall programming guide, so please submit information on your current Eastridge ministries!



Eastridge Church Staff

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A note about your offering: If you are attending worship and enjoy coffee in the Welcome Center before leaving your offering in the plate, please leave it in the black inbox (just outside office door) instead. Thank you!

Offerings

EPC Meals on Wheels Team: Please join the Hunger Action Board in thanking the EPC members who serve, delivering meals each Monday. The following people each deliver one Monday a month: Becky Rankin, Gerald Poppe, Roger and Patty Niemann, Connie Barry and Steve Bennett, Susan Taylor and Rogene Lowery. Members on the substitute list are Nancy Van Horn, Bonnie Halleen, Linda Shearman, Norma and Jerry Nuss, Neil Bateman, Marge Reeves and Berna Stading.



We **welcome these new members** to Eastridge: Arlen and Betty Beam, Christian Beard, Kevin James, Deb Reichert.



The ART (Anti-Racism Team) is **sharing ways to be kind and celebrating kindness** with lawn signs at the church and around town. Look for these signs, and ways to celebrate the kindness we see in our community! Note: after the initial project month of June, the yard sign project is changing. If people don't want to move the letters on to another yard they can return them to the church. The committee is no longer tracking them but available for questions.

