



Spring Flower Order Form: If you wish to provide a spring flower for the church sanctuary for Easter Sunday, please complete this form and mail or bring to the church office by **April 3**. Flowers will be a variety: lilies, tulips, hyacinths, daffodils. **Please let the church decide what to order.**

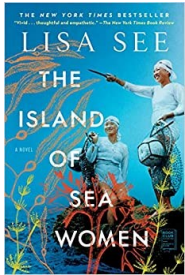
Make all checks payable to Eastridge Church noting on the check that it is for a flower. Please state exactly how you want your contribution printed in the bulletin. Return money with this form. Flowers will be delivered to Eastridge members unless you let us know you'd like to take yours home following Easter Sunday (flowers need to remain for both services).

Donated by _____

In memory of _____

In honor of _____

No. of flowers _____ (Cost \$13.00 per flower in pot) Total _____



EPC Book Club:

Join us on Monday, April 10 at 7:00 pm as we discuss the book *The Island of Sea Women* by Lisa See.

We meet each month during the school year for discussion and refreshments in M12 at Eastridge! **Book club members, start gathering ideas for next year's picks for our May meeting!**

Eastridge Church Staff

- Rev. Dr. Melodie Jones Pointon.....Senior Pastor
- Rev. Thomas Dummermuth.....Associate Pastor
- Kris Adler-Brammer.....Youth and Children's Ministries
- Dr. Brian Lew.....Director of Music Ministries
- Donna Gustafson.....Office Manager
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TODAY AT EASTRIDGE

- 9:00 am Worship —Sanctuary
- 10:30 am Worship —Sanctuary
- 12:30 pm Special Musicians—Narthex
- 1:00 pm Narcotics Anonymous leader meeting—Fellowship Hall

Join us as Eastridge sponsors two events in collaboration with LeaderWise for church visioning and strategic planning. We will look at our past, our future, our dreams for what Eastridge Presbyterian Church will look like in the years to come! Come to both events, or just one. Sign ups for each below, with more information. We are asking people to sign up simply to ensure that we have enough food! The Eastridge deacons and the LeaderWise planning committee are working on meal details.

Eastridge Presbyterian Church History event Saturday April 15 at 3:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall. **Sign up here:** <https://bit.ly/epchistoryevent>

Eastridge Presbyterian Church Learning event Sunday April 16 at 11:00 am (following ONE service of worship that morning) **Sign up here:** <https://bit.ly/epclearningevent>



JUSTICE IN ACTION:

Did you know that a needs assessment survey done in 2021 by the Bryan Health Community found that Behavioral Health was the dominant need in Lincoln and Lancaster County?

According to the Lincoln Police Department, in 2021 mental health calls for service totaled 2,257. Over 40% of those calls were for children and youth.

Help make change and improve lives by showing up for justice on May 4th at the Lancaster Event Center at 6:30pm.

Say YES when a member of the justice network invites you to the **Nehemiah Rally.**

For more information, or to get registered contact sarabevans@windstream.net





Eastridge Faith Partners: To learn more about our Eastridge team, contact one of these members: Thomas Dummermuth, Judith Keller, Bill Bevans, Donna Gustafson, Jennifer Olsen, Carolyn Brandle, Randy & Sandie Franks, Diane Worrell-Eaton.



The **One Great Hour of Sharing Offering** is an ecumenical endeavor that now involves nine denominations and Church World Service. About one third of the One Great Hour of Sharing Offering goes to the Self-Development of People fund, investing in under-served communities responding to their experiences of racism, oppression, poverty, and injustice, and educating all Presbyterians about the impact of these societal ills. **At Eastridge this Special Offering is traditionally received on Palm Sunday (today!)**



Fish banks for children (or adults!) available at the Welcome Desk.



COLLEGE CARE PACKAGES: Just after Easter, we would like to get our deliveries made so our college students will have some

goodies to help get them through the last few weeks of school! We hope you might be willing to donate some items that we can use to fill the boxes to the brim. If you don't want to go out and shop, you can also purchase online and just have it shipped to the church. A few items have been added to an amazon shopping list, too: <https://a.co/e4dn6le>. For any items you have shipped, please send it ATTN: Kris Adler-Brammer. And if you aren't up for shopping,

cash donations are also helpful to purchase those last additional items or help cover the cost of postage.

Individual servings of cookies, oatmeal, easy mac and cheese (on amazon list), crackers, etc.

Easter candy, granola bars/protein bars, gum, crystal light powder packages

Laundry pods – unscented (also on amazon wish list), dryer sheets (non-scented)

Highlighters, notecards, post-its (some suggestions on amazon wish list)

Band-aids, cough drops, small hand sanitizer (also on amazon wish list)

PRAYERS

Prayers: Susan Taylor, for health concerns.

To be added here or online for **prayer requests**, contact the church office at office@eastridge.org or 402-488-7844.

The **Eastridge Food Pantry** is making some changes, effective March 15. Wednesday distribution will only be for in-person shoppers. There will not be drive thru available on Wednesdays. Sunday distribution will only be for drive-thru boxes. There will be no in-person shopping available on Sundays.

Here are the new Sign-Up Genius Links : <https://bit.ly/FPDistFood>
<https://bit.ly/FPFillingBoxes>



LADIES NIGHT OUT: We will head to Omaha to **Lauritzen Gardens** on Sunday, May 7 at 11:30 am (following second worship service). We'll see the gardens as well as the Washed Ashore exhibit. Meet in the parking lot to carpool, or contact the office if you'd like to meet us there.



VOLUNTEER



Eastridge Presbyterian Church arranges to provide 4-5 volunteers at **The Gathering Place, a local soup kitchen**, on the 4th Monday of each month. Thank you to all Eastridge members who volunteer to serve at The Gathering Place. A sign up for 2023 is here: <https://bit.ly/TheGatheringPlace2023>

palm sunday, april 2

9 am in person led by chancel and childrens choirs
10:30 am online and in person

maundy thursday, april 6

6 pm all ages dinner and worship in huxtable lounge
6:30 all ages service of footwashing and the lord's supper in welcome center

good friday, april 7

6:30 pm worship experience (childcare available upon request)

easter sunday, april 9

6:30 pm *walking the sunrise road* (meet in church parking lot)
9 am in person service led by chancel choir and kirk ringers
10:30 am online and in person service



seeking:
honest questions
for deeper faith

Holy Week information at left:

- ◆ Potluck meal on Maundy Thursday
- ◆ Breakfast items at the end of the Sunrise Road walk!
- ◆ Don't miss reading the additional Sanctified Art devotions online!