The work of **Justice in Action** is beginning its second year with listening sessions. We invite anyone interested in sharing or being a part of the work of our organization to join us at one of the following listening sessions:



Sunday, Sept. 24 @ 10:45 in Huxtable Lounge

Thursday, Sept. 28 @ 7:00 at home of Jean Schulze, 1613 N 4th Rd (Hwy 43), Eagle

Sunday, Oct. 1 @ 10:45 in Huxtable Lounge



NEWSLETTER DEADLINE:

Please submit your photos and articles for the October newsletter by September 25. Thank you!

IN THE MILITARY: The church is updating their list of military individuals. If someone in your family serves/has served, please let the office know.













Faith Connection for Youth: Youth programming is on Wednesdays from 6:00pm to 7:30pm.

For this school year, our time together will include dinner, recreation, fellowship, and study. Sign up to serve a meal to the youth! **Sign up is here:**

https://bit.ly/youthmeal2324

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The weekly Lamp





TODAY in worship: Pastor: Thomas Dummermuth Worship Connection: Kris Adler-Brammer

Liturgist: Shirlette Hershiser

For Every Musicians: Chancel Choir with Jazz singers Daniel
Purpose Ikpeama/Iesha Clanton; Renea Cross (saxophone); Brett
Meier (percussion), Brent Shaw.

Faith Partners will NOT meet for a regular meeting this month, but will participate in the **Faith Partners Comprehensive Training** this week (Thursday and Saturday, at Eastridge). Faith Partners

members, please check your email for more information if you have not already signed up.







VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: We have some wonderful opportunities in place for our children and youth coming this fall. Our volunteer opportunities vary in commitment and preparation – they can be a weekly, twice a month, or even monthly commitment. We will need: **Teachers** – prepare and teach a lesson. At this time, we do not have enough people to cover our class needs. **Youth Group advisors** – lead recreation, prepare and teach

a lesson/activity. **Meal Providers** – prepare a snack for the afterschool program or provide dinner for the youth group. If you think you might be interested in assisting the children and youth programming and would like additional information about these opportunities, please talk with Kris Adler-Brammer.

EASTRIDGE The weekly Lamp Presbyterian Church



Fourth Friday Women's Coffee: On the fourth Friday of each month, join this (mostly) retired group of ladies that meet in Huxtable Lounge here at Eastridge for coffee at 8:30 am. Join us September 22!

TODAY'S MUSIC:

Andre Thomas composed today's choral anthem. He is author of the book *Way Over in Beulah Lan': Understanding the Negro Spiritual* and has served as a faculty member for the Presbyterian Associations of Musicians along with Brent Shaw. He first conducted the church choir of his home baptist church at age 14, eventually serving as a professor at several institutions, including the Institute of Sacred Music at Yale University. The African Diaspora Sacred Music and Musicians organization honored Thomas as a "Living Legend" for



his arrangements of spirituals — songs of a genre drawing from an African-American oral tradition — and commitment to choral education.

Discover Eastridge: New Member Orientation. Join us on Sunday, September 24 following worship (worship at 9:30, we'll meet at 10:45ish) to learn more about our Eastridge community and if you'd like to explore membership! We will meet in M12, the room directly across from upstairs restrooms. Sign up here: https://bit.ly/discovereastridge





The **Eastridge Food Pantry:** The **Food Pantry** made some changes in March. 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 links for volunteers:

Distribution: https://bit.ly/FPDistFood Filling boxes: https://bit.ly/FPFillingBoxes



Prayers for Jack Steven for health concerns.

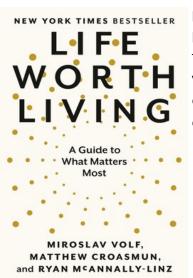
To sign up to provide flowers in sanctuary for Sunday mornings:

https://bit.ly/flowersworship



Faith Connection for Elementary Children: Our elementary aged faith formation program resumed on Tuesday, September 12. This is an after school program that allows two hours with our children to build relationships and develop faith. The Tuesday afternoon daily schedule begins with the completion of the school day (including early out days) and concludes at 5:30pm.

Life Worth Living: A Guide to What Matters Most by Volf, Croasmun, McAnnlly-Linz: The writer of Ecclesiastes 3 wonders, "what is the meaning of life?" It's a question for every age, and Yale professors Miroslav Volf, Matthew Croasmun, and Ryan McAnnlly-Linz have turned its exploration into the most



popular class in school. Using thinkers and authors from many disciplines and perspectives, this book will lead us through explorations of the meaning of our own lives. Led by Pastors Melodie and Thomas via Zoom Thursdays (started Sept. 7). Stop in the office for a copy of the book, or let us know if we can leave one for you at the Welcome Desk. Sign up: https://bit.ly/lifeworthlivingstudy

We are also offering an IN PERSON option for this study, led by Bill Bevans. We will meet on Wednesdays starting September 20 (NOTE NEW START DATE) at 6:00 pm in M12. Inquire in the office about books, or pick yours up at the Welcome Desk if you plan to join the study.

Sign up here! https://bit.ly/lifeworthlivinginperson



EPC Book Club: Our next selection is *The Bluest Eye* by Toni Morrison. This group meets the second Monday of each month from September to June. Check out the entire list on the Eastridge website, under the menu "What's New" and by clicking on Calendar. Or, just head here (link available in online version):

Book Club - Eastridge Presbyterian Church - Lincoln, Nebraska