



Did you miss filling out an **Eastridge Care Connections** card? There are copies at the Welcome Desk, and at the usher table in the narthex. Fill out and either leave in the offering plate or the office inbox. We are looking forward to connecting our community with this ministry!

THE GATHERING PLACE: Eastridge Presbyterian Church arranges to provide 4-5 volunteers at The Gathering Place, a local soup kitchen, on the 4th Monday of each month. For more information on what this entails, contact the church office. Thank you to all Eastridge members who volunteer to serve at The Gathering Place. Sign up here: <https://bit.ly/thegatheringplacecurrent>



As we celebrate the **10th Anniversary of our distinctive logo**, we reflect the many ways it has become an identifying feature for our faith community. This July, the session would like to make t-shirts, sweatshirts, and hats available to the faith community for purchase through Relentless Merch, a local small business. There's a bit of a twist this time, with the addition of Micah 6:8 to the back of the shirt, "Do Justice. Love Mercy. Walk Humbly."

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T-shirts will be available in black, gray, and white; sweatshirts in gray. More information to come on a

link to purchase these items. (For more information, check out the July newsletter.)

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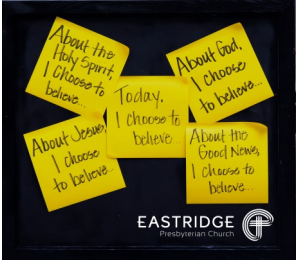
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The weekly Lamp

TODAY AT EASTRIDGE—July 7

9:30 am	Worship—Sanctuary and online
10:30 am	Coffee Fellowship—Welcome Center
12:45 pm	Special Musicians—Huxtable Lounge
1:00 pm	NA Leaders—Fellowship Hall

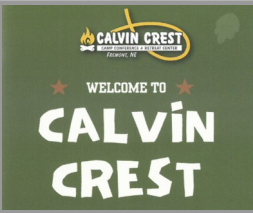


TODAY in worship:

Pastor: Thomas Dummermuth.

Liturgist: Mia Olsen. **Worship Connection:** Sara McInerney.

Music: Charlie Schroeder, Brent Shaw, Will McGuire.



Calvin Crest Camp:
Check out the brochures at the Welcome Desk, or online here: [Home - Calvin Crest](#) (link available in online version of this bulletin).



SUMMER SERMON SERIES: This March our session read and studied Bruce Reyes-Chow's book *Everything Good about God is True* in order to plan and prepare for our summer ministry season. What excited the session was the many ways and possibilities this book can connect with our community of faith. Maybe you want to read the book individually, or participate in a group study, or listen to sermons based on scriptures and themes inspired by the book. We are excited about the community art installation - a mural by local artist Ann Williams on the west side of our pantry building. And, together we will have an opportunity to create a faith montage that comes from our community. (from Pastor Melodie's note in the June newsletter)



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The next blood drive is July 16 from 11:00 - 5:00 in Huxtable Lounge.

Sign up at: redcrossblood.org (search for Eastridge Presbyterian)



EASTRIDGE FOOD PANTRY:

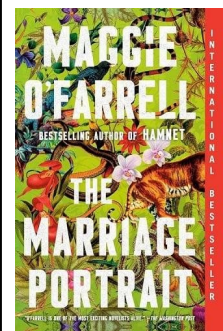
We get many items from the Lincoln Food Bank, however, you may ask what can I do to help?

With a pantry right here at Eastridge you can help by supplying the pantry with these types of items:

Sugar
Shampoo, Deodorant
Toilet paper, Bath soap
Dish soap, Laundry soap
Paper towels
Toothpaste
Spices, Catsup, Mustard
Salad dressings
Hamburger helper, Tuna helper

Sign ups:

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



Book Club for the 2024-2025 year: a list is available online! Head to the church website, "What's New" pulldown menu, "Calendar", then "Book Club". Or click here: [Book Club - Eastridge Presbyterian Church - Lincoln, Nebraska](#) (link available in online version of the Lamp).

Our first pick in September is: *The Marriage Portrait* by Maggie O'Farrell.

See you September 9! This group meets Sept.—June the second Monday of each month at 7:00 pm in M12.

YOUR GIVING MATTERS!

Income information (general fund):

Year-to-date (July 2) \$ 233,825

Last year at this time: \$ 256,927 (*we closed the gap just a bit this past week, but are still around \$ 20,000 less than last year at this time*).

Please remember the church in your giving!



Contact the church office if you would like to be included in our online prayer group or here in the bulletin.

Sign up to provide sanctuary flowers here: <https://bit.ly/flowersworship>



Ladies Night Out: Our Eastridge group will head to **Capitol View Winery & Vineyards** on Sunday, July 21 at 1:00 pm for fellowship (and a tour?).

Look for more information on the Facebook page or contact the office!

Pastor Melodie's Sabbatical Journey: After five years of service, our pastors receive a six-week sabbatical period to be used during the sixth year of service.



Pastor Melodie will be on sabbatical beginning Thursday, June 13 returning Thursday, July 25. During this time she will be traveling to visit historical sites meaningful to her family history on their route west along the Mormon Trail. She will also spend

time in Washington State and British Columbia with family. To follow her adventures, you can join the private Facebook Group "Pastor Melodie's 2024 Sabbatical Journey Notes." If she's not posting much, it means she's sleeping, relaxing, running, or spending time with family and friends.



Community Art Installation: Local artist Ann Williams will be working with our congregation over the summer on a community art project for everyone to enjoy! On this fourth collaboration with Ann, we continue with the image of a tree in a field where the community gathers. *This is a privately funded project, and donations are still being accepted. **Save the date! Our Eastridge community will participate in part of the mural project on Sunday, August 11!**

What We Believe Today: our Faith Montage. During worship, you'll notice post its and pens in the pews. Every week a new question will invite you to ponder. Write your answer on the post it and add to the board in the Welcome Center! We will build our faith montage over the summer.

*This week's question: *What do I believe about the timing of the Spirit?*

