



**FOOD PANTRY MURAL:**

Thank you to everyone who attended the **Food Pantry mural dedication** October 6! The artist, Ann Williams, was present for the event. Look for more photos in the upcoming November newsletter!



**COLLEGE CARE PACKAGES:** It is time to send care packages to our EPC college students! THANK YOU to all of you who generously donated so that we can send a new EPC t-shirt to our students. They are going to LOVE the extra surprise! Now, we need some items to fill the rest of the box that will be delivered to them. Below you can find a list of some of the favorites. Once you have shopped, the items can be dropped off in the church office. If you don't want to go out a shop, you can also purchase online and just have it shipped to the church. If you are looking for ideas, you can you the following link to access our Amazon Wishlist. (<https://a.co/e4dn6le>) 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 (\$17.10 per box shipped).



**COLLEGE CARE PACKAGES**

- Individual servings of cookies, oatmeal, crackers, etc.
- Mac n Cheese (in the packets), ramen noodles
- Halloween candy, granola bars/protein bars, gum, crystal light/drink powder packages

Laundry pods (non-scented), dryer sheets (non-scented)

Highlighters, pens

Band-aids, cough drops

We will be filling about 25 care packages so items in multiples are appreciated. If you have any questions about donating, please feel free to contact Kris Adler-Brammer at [kadlerbrammer@eastridge.org](mailto:kadlerbrammer@eastridge.org). Please have all items to the church office by Thursday, October 24th so we will have everything to pack them up **on Sunday, October 27th. Join us that day to help pack!**

**Eastridge Church Staff**

- Rev. Dr. Melodie Jones Pointon.....Senior Pastor
- Rev. Thomas Dummermuth.....Associate Pastor
- Kris Adler-Brammer.....Youth and Children's Ministries
- Donna Gustafson.....Office Manager
- Andy Kalnins.....Night/Weekend Custodian
- Brent Shaw.....Choir Director/Organist
- Will McGuire.....Worship Leader
- Vince Ruhl.....Director of Online Worship
- Brett Meier.....A/V Tech
- Sydney Mitchell.....Nursery attendant
- Laura Siemsen.....Administrative Assistant

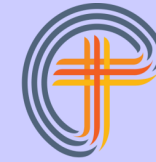
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**EASTRIDGE**  
Presbyterian Church



*The weekly Lamp*

**TODAY AT EASTRIDGE—October 20**

- 9:30 am      Worship—Sanctuary and online
- 10:45 am    *Now and Not Yet* Study—M12
- 10:45 am    JIA Meeting—Huxtable Lounge
- 1:00 pm      Special Musicians—Huxtable Lounge



**TODAY in worship**

**Pastors:** Thomas Dummermuth

**Liturgist:** Doug McDaniel

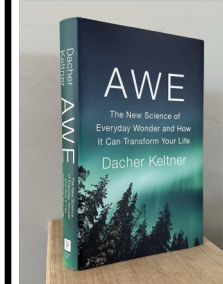
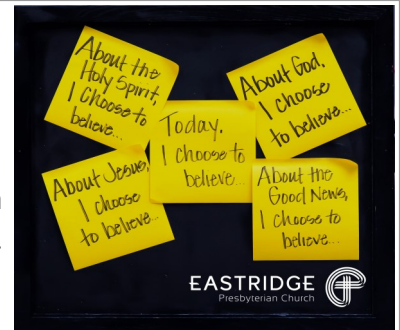
**Worship Connection:** Kris Adler-Brammer

**Music:** Herrera family, Will McGuire, Brent Shaw, Michael Jha

**Did you miss our summer sermon series, "Today, I Choose to Believe...."?**

**Maybe you just want to have another listen?**

You can find our pastors' sermons on our Eastridge Presbyterian YouTube channel (@eastridgepresbyterian) and Eastridge Presbyterian Church on your favorite podcast platform.



**EPC Book Club:** November pick: *Awe: The New Science of Everyday Wonder and How It Can Transform Your Life* by Dacher Keltner

The book club meets the second Monday of each month, September through June, at 7:00 pm in M12.

Check out the full year's list on the Eastridge website, calendar page. Join us on November 11!



The Green Team continues to monitor energy usage after the LED light replacement project earlier in the summer, and while results are still preliminary, it looks as though the project is already helping keep our usage, and therefore costs, down! The Team installed a first round of motion detector light switches at the top and bottom of the stairway on the front side of the church in mid-September. It was a challenging project, but thanks to Bill Bevans and Kip Illian, it was accomplished! Next, the Team plans placing the next



motion detector light switches in the hallway behind the chancel, the north foyer in the Welcome Center, M12, and in the Library. Timers were also installed in the Foyer, and the Team is working with Wolfe Electric to identify additional energy efficiency projects in the next six months. The Cave (and other storage area) organization project spearheaded by Sara Bevans is being enjoyed by all! Now is a great time to join the team, as there are lots of upcoming opportunities to work on different types of projects!

**Eastridge Food Pantry volunteer sign ups:**

Distribution: <https://bit.ly/FPDistFood>

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

**Please consider this great opportunity to serve. For more information, contact the church office.**



**It's back!** Join us as we travel along the Sunrise Road! Our podcast guests this fall include Beth Graverholt and Olivia Butts with Justice in Action; Sharon Kandel, PC(USA) Regional Liaison for the Horn of Africa; Michaella Kumke, President and CEO of the Food Bank of Lincoln; Lisa Janssen, Program Administrator at the Gathering Place. The Sunrise Road can be found on the Sunrise Road YouTube channel (@sunriseroad) and all major podcast platforms.

**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>



# PRAYERS

**Prayers:** Condolences to the family of **Lois Coleman**. Lois's memorial service will be held November 1 at 11:00 am at Eastridge, luncheon to follow.

**Prayers for health concerns:** Andy Kalnins.

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



**FUND MATCH:** For the FIFTH year in a row we have been given a matching gift of \$10,000 through a generous anonymous donor! We are thankful for this generous gift as we enter the season of gratitude, as it encourages giving to the mission and ministry of Eastridge. Please note "fund match" in the memo line (or in the comment section if giving online). You may also email the office to let us know if an online donation is coming from you toward the fund match. **We are at \$ 3715 toward the match!**



**Youth** – Each Wednesday evening, youth group begins with a meal. Providing a meal includes a main dish, side(s), and dessert. The church provides drinks and all the paper products. This year the group will consist of about 12 people. If you are willing to provide a meal, the following link can be used to sign up for a meal for the remainder of the 2024 year. OR: <https://bit.ly/youthmeal2425>



**MEMORIAL GIFT:**

Have you noticed the new tables on our east patio and garden area? The tables, umbrellas, and benches were gifts from the **DeeAnn Dilley Memorial**.



**Fourth Friday Women's Coffee Fellowship:**

Join the ladies in Huxtable on October 25 at 8:30 am for our monthly coffee fellowship!

Let the office know if you would like to be included in an email reminder.

EPC Outreach decided to designate \$1000 to **PDA Disaster Relief for Helene response**, and encourages the congregation to give too. If you'd like to give via EPC, please note "Helene PDA" in the memo, OR you can give directly: <https://pda.pcusa.org/situation/hurricane-helene/>

