



Thanks to all who have been picking apples from the **Lefler apple tree**.

The harvest is going well and will make a positive impact on many students. The final day to pick an apple will be this coming Sunday, October 27. All gift cards and other items should be returned to the church **by TODAY, Sunday, Nov. 3.**

Your generosity is appreciated.

Dear Eastridge Presbyterian: Thank you for sharing your space and your volunteers at our event, "The Stories Starita Tells" on September 27th. The refreshments and personal touches were very warm and welcoming, so I appreciate your efforts!

I think the audience truly enjoyed the presentation and we could not have hosted such a successful event without your generous contributions. Warm Regards, Cian Hassovic



Thank you, Trailblazers at Eastridge, for helping us welcome Joe Starita and Conservation Nebraska at this event!



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!**

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
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The weekly Lamp

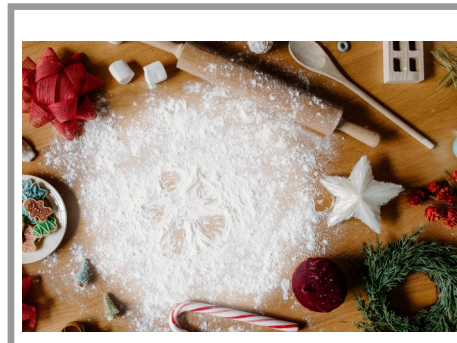
TODAY AT EASTRIDGE—November 3

9:30 am	Worship—Sanctuary and online
1:00 pm	Special Musicians—Huxtable Lounge
1:00 pm	NA Leaders Meeting—Fellowship Hall



TODAY in worship

Pastors: Thomas Dummermuth, Melodie Jones Pointon
Worship Connection: Kris Adler-Brammer
Music: Chancel Choir, Will McGuire, Kristen Unterseher, Brent Shaw, Abbie Taber



EPC Food Pantry drive:

Holiday baking supplies: granulated sugar, brown sugar, powdered sugar, shortening, oil, cocoa powder, salt, pepper, cinnamon, vanilla, chocolate chips **Other requests:** hot chocolate mixes, pie fillings, graham cracker crusts, cookie and cake mixes, gingerbread house kits, boxed potatoes, stuffing mixes, gravy or gravy mixes, instant oatmeal packages, jams and jellies, condiments (ketchup, mayo, mustard)



Pledge cards and stewardship letters have gone out in the mail!


The estimated giving card (pledge card) will help us formulate a budget for 2025. We encourage you to discuss and pray over your giving before filling out the card and returning it to the office by November 17 (you may also leave in the offering plate). Pledge cards and letters are also available at the welcome desk!



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:

Ideas for the pantry:

Instant oatmeal packets

Condiments (ketchup, mayo, mustard, jams)


Spices (such as salt, pepper, cinnamon, vanilla) and baking ingredients (sugar, flour, etc.)

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

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


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

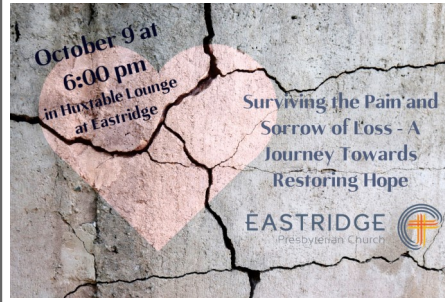
Prayers for Jack Pittman, for health concerns.
To be added to our prayer chain or here in the bulletin, contact the office.



The **November Congregational Meeting** will be Sunday, November 24, following worship. At this meeting we will nominate and elect church officers as well as approve pastor's terms of call.



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. **We are at \$ 11,215 toward the match! Thank you for your gifts to Eastridge!**




Did you attend our recent event **Surviving the Pain and Sorrow of Loss on October 9?** Eastridge Faith Partners is looking for feedback! If you'd like to share your impressions with us, please email the church office. If you'd like to remain anonymous, please leave a note in the office inbox.

Thank you for your assistance to EPC Faith Partners for our future event planning!



Ten Thousand Villages Holiday Pop-Up Sale:

The Youth Group will again host the Ten Thousand Villages Pop-Up Sale in the Welcome Center. We will also add an in-store shopping hours on Sunday afternoon where you can shop the entire store. Mark your calendars for Sunday, November 17 – Tuesday, November 19.



Join us for a Gratitude Meal! Bring a side that shares something you're grateful for! Whether it's your family's favorite holiday recipe, takeout from your favorite restaurant, some of your garden harvest, or something from the grocery store. **Join us on November 10, following worship. Turkey is provided!**