



Join us in the sanctuary, tomorrow, **March 24 at 6:00 pm for half an hour of centering prayer.** Led by Doug McDaniel. For more weekly Lent activities, check out the events tab on the Eastridge Facebook page or pick up a flyer at the Welcome Desk.



Join the **Eastridge Presbyterian Green Team Facebook** page for information on what the group is doing here at Eastridge plus general information on climate and how to be a better steward of the earth. Contact the church office for an invitation to the group! Not on Facebook? Contact the office for a monthly flyer on the Facebook group activity.



**COLLEGE CARE PACKAGES:** We hope you might be will-

**ATTN:** Kris Adler-Brammer. And if you aren't up for shopping, cash donations are also helpful to purchase those additional items or help cover the cost of postage.

light/drink powder packages; Laundry pods (non-scented), dryer sheets (non-scented); Highlighters, pens; Band-aids, cough drops, small hand sanitizer

ing to donate some items that we can use to fill the boxes to the brim. If you are looking for ideas, you can you the following link to access our Amazon Wishlist. (<https://a.co/bWV3MwR>) Please send it

Individual servings of cookies, oatmeal, crackers, etc.; Mac n Cheese (in the packets), ramen noodles; Individual sized peanut butter (they are small cups); Candy, granola bars/protein bars, gum, crystal

Please have all items to the church office by Wednesday, April 2 so we will have everything to pack them up on Sunday, April 6. Join us that day to help pack the boxes!

**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  
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*The weekly lamp*

**TODAY AT EASTRIDGE—March 23**

- 9:30 am Worship—Sanctuary and online
- 10:45 am Fellowship—Welcome Center
- 11:00 am Mental Health First Aid—Huxtable Lounge
- 1:00 pm Special Musicians—Narthex or M12



**TODAY in worship:**

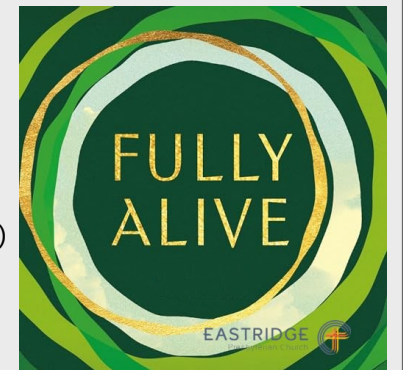
**Pastors:** Melodie Jones Pointon, Thomas Dummermuth

**Worship Connection:** Kris Adler-Brammer

**Music:** Ella Young, Will McGuire, Brent Shaw

**LENT AT EASTRIDGE:**

- Monday, March 24, 6:00 pm - Join in a Centering Prayer (Sanctuary)
- Tuesday, April 1, 5 pm - Make a card or write a letter to someone you love (Welcome Center)
- Tuesday, April 8, 5 pm - Join us for a food taste test (Welcome Center)
- Wednesday, April 16, 6 pm - All abilities yoga and meditation (Sanctuary)



Our families with young children recently received a "Lenten Book Bag" with books and activities to explore this Lent. With a grant from the PC(USA) as well as funds from our budget we were able to gift: *Psalms of Wonder* by Carey Wallace and Khoa Le; *Little Prayers for Everyday Life* by Traci Smith and Anna Jones; and *Ordinary Blessings for Parents* by Meta Herrick Carlson. These books were distributed through our Tuesday Afterschool Program and Faith Formation team. If you would like more information, please contact Kris Adler-Brammer.



**Join us at Eastridge during Holy Week!**

Sunday, April 13, 9:30 am - Palm Sunday  
Worship

Wednesday, April 16, 6 pm-7 pm - All abilities  
yoga and meditation (sanctuary)

Thursday, April 17, 6 pm - Maundy Thursday dinner followed by service at 6:45 pm (welcome center)

Friday, April 18, 12 pm - Good Friday worship

Easter Sunday, April 20, 6:30 am - Sunrise Service (weather permitting, east patio)

Easter Sunday, April 20, 9:30 am - worship with traditions old and new (sanctuary)



**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. **Updated sign up:** <https://bit.ly/gatheringplace2025epc>

**VOLUNTEER**



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

Join the ladies in Huxtable on March 28 at 8:30 am for our monthly coffee fellowship! Let the office know if you would like to be included in an email reminder.



**Denominational giving:** In the past we've thought of our giving to our PC(USA) connections as per capita. We'd like to ask what you can give toward funding our denominational structures that connect and support our congregation. For more information, check out the letter sent out via email OR at the Welcome Desk today.



**Easter flowers:**

If you wish to provide a spring flower for the church sanctuary for Easter Sunday, please complete a form and mail or bring to the church office by April 11. Flowers will be a variety: lilies, tulips, hyacinths, daffodils. Forms are in today's bulletin and at the Welcome Desk.

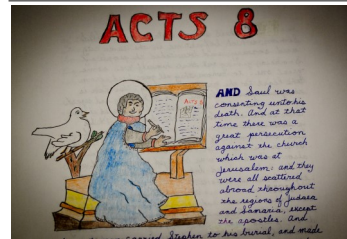


The **EPC Book Club** meets the second Monday of each month September through June at 7:00 pm.

Locations vary...check the Welcome Center for info when you arrive!

The selection shown, *The Wind Knows My Name* by Isabel Allende, is our pick for April.

**Join us April 14 at 7:00 pm in M12** for discussion and refreshments.



Looking for something to "take up" during Lent? Purchase a copy of the **Nebraska Corona Bible** in flash drive format and enjoy daily readings on your computer! Brochures are at the Welcome Desk, or inquire in the office. The office has several copies available, no waiting for your order! Great to give as a gift as well. Many of the submissions include artwork (photo at left).

**Eastridge Food Pantry volunteer sign ups:**

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

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



**Three Reasons Why Giving to One Great Hour of Sharing Makes a Difference**

**People's Lives Are Changed:** You help real people in the U.S. and around the globe recover from disasters, fight systemic poverty and hunger, and develop the skills they need to transform their communities in ways only they know how.

**We Are Called to be Repairers of the Breach:** Isaiah 58 says, "If you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted ... you shall be called repairers

of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in."

**We can do so much more together than individually:**

Each of us can make an impact in a small way, but when we join together, through One Great Hour of Sharing, we can do so much more. It is the single largest way

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