



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.



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-

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

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.

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

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

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!

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TODAY AT EASTRIDGE—March 30

- 9:30 am Worship—Sanctuary and online
- 10:45 am Fellowship—Welcome Center
- 1:00 pm Special Musicians—Narthex or M12



TODAY in worship:

Pastors: Melodie Jones Pointon, Thomas Dummermuth

Worship Connection: Kris Adler-Brammer

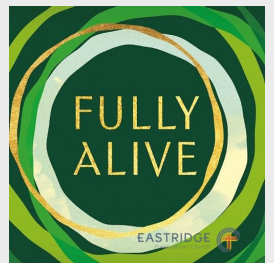
Music: Women's Choir, Jonah Bennett, Kristen Unterseher, Will McGuire, Brent Shaw

LENT AT EASTRIDGE:

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)



Beloved stickers are available after the worship service at the Welcome Desk.



CARD MAKING during LENT:

Join the **Elementary Faith Formation** kids to create a card or write a letter to someone you love! We will meet in the Welcome Center at 5:00 pm this **Tuesday, April 1.**



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.



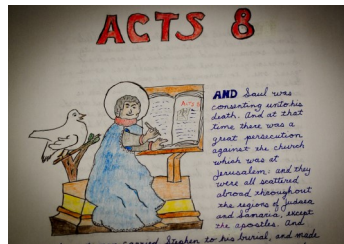
Happy anniversary!

Join the Longacre family in celebrating Dick & Joan Longacre's 70th anniversary by sending cards and greetings to: 6325 O Street 68510. They were married April 2, 1955.



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 at the Welcome Desk.

Care Connections Spring Gathering is April 10! If you are part of our community that is committed to caring for each other in intentional ways, we'd love to see you at our April 10 Spring Gathering! We'll meet at 6 pm for dinner and fellowship, and also some conversations about the ways we care for each other in this community. We'll be done by 8 pm, in time to get home before it gets too dark!



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

Presbyterians come together to make a difference in the world.

