



A researcher at UNL is seeking participants to share their thoughts about poverty and how it should be addressed in the U.S. Participation includes taking a short survey and taking part in a 30–60 minute interview.

Participants will receive a \$25 gift card as compensation. For more information, please see [https://go.unl.edu/pov\\_info](https://go.unl.edu/pov_info). To participate, go to <https://go.unl.edu/poverty>.



**Spring into Life! Give Blood.**

Eastridge is sponsoring an American Red Cross Blood Drive on May 8 from 12:00 pm—6:00 pm in Huxtable Lounge.

Sign up at: [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org) (search for Eastridge Presbyterian)

Join us for **Ella Young's Senior Voice Recital** on April 29 at 7:30pm (Ella is one of our choral scholars). The recital will be held in the Eastridge Sanctuary with a reception in the Welcome Center afterwards. This recital features Ella Young (Mezzo-Soprano), Micah Leary (Piano), and works by Lori Laitman, Gwyneth Walker, Alma Mahler, Poldowski, Irma Urteaga, and Patricia Caicedo. The program will be about an hour long and features English, German, French, and Spanish art song.



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**EASTRIDGE**  
Presbyterian Church



*The weekly lamp*

**TODAY AT EASTRIDGE—April 27**

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| 9:30 am  | Worship —Sanctuary and online    |
| 10:30 am | Coffee Fellowship—Welcome Center |
| 5:30 pm  | Youth Faith Formation—Offsite    |



**TODAY in worship:**

**Pastors:** Thomas Dummermuth

**Worship Connection:** Kris Adler-Brammer

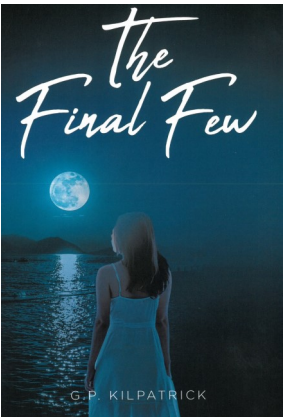
**Music:** Nancy Hall (harp), Kristen Unterseher, Elijah Hite, Ella Young, Will McGuire



**Trailblazers** is a group of older adults at Eastridge that provides an opportunity for men and women, singles as well as couples, to participate together in the life of the church—in service and fellowship.

**Trailblazers for May 9: We'll attend Lincoln Community Playhouse's production of Cinderella.**

**Committee:** Richard and Charlene Neal, Jim Budka



The **Eastridge Presbyterian library** will soon have the online checkout system going again! Look for more news regarding books soon. Like this announcement:

Our own George Kilpatrick has published a book! It's called "**The Final Few**" and will be available for checkout soon. "**The Final Few**" is a work of fiction that takes place in the year 2080.



Show up for justice at our third annual:

**Nehemiah Rally**

**May 1 at 6:30pm**

**St. Marks United Methodist Church (8550 Pioneers Blvd)**

Join over 1,300 other faith community members as we ask our public officials to make systemic changes in the following areas:

Affordable Housing

Adult Pre-trial Diversion

Mental Health Navigation Program

For questions, contact: sarabevans62@gmail.com or visit the Justice in Action website at:

[www.justice-in-action.org](http://www.justice-in-action.org)



Want a prompt to read the **Eastridge Daily Devotions**? Contact the office and it can be sent to your email inbox, just like the bulletin is sent each Friday.

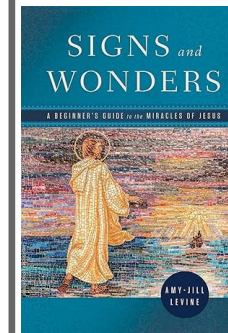


**The Mayor's Interfaith Prayer Breakfast is Sold Out — But Seats Are Still Available!** The 41st Annual Mayor's Interfaith Prayer Breakfast is officially sold out—great news for our city, but don't worry if you haven't reserved your spot yet. Eastridge Presbyterian Church through the Outreach Committee is sponsoring a table, and several seats are still available for those who would like to attend. If you're interested, please contact the church office as soon as possible to reserve one of the remaining spots.



# PRAYERS

Condolences to the family of **Judy Jewett**. Judy's memorial service will be held at Eastridge on Saturday, June 14, luncheon following.



**Signs and Wonders study:** Join Pastors Melodie and Thomas for a Zoom Bible Study Thursdays at 10:00 am from April 24-June 5.

Using Amy-Jill Levine's book, *Signs and Wonders: A Beginner's Guide to the Miracles of Jesus*, we'll explore Jesus' miracles as recorded in the gospels.

To sign up for the study, click on the following link (link in online version):

[Eastridge: Signs & Wonders Book Study](#)

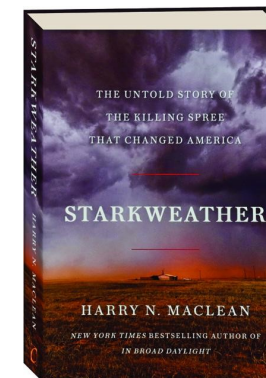
**THE GATHERING PLACE:** Eastridge Presbyterian Church arranges to provide 4-5 volunteers at The Gathering Place, a local soup kitchen, on the 4th Monday of each month. For more information on what this entails, contact the church office. Thank you to all Eastridge members who volunteer to serve at The Gathering Place. **Updated sign up:** <https://bit.ly/gatheringplace2025epc>



**Eastridge Food Pantry volunteer sign ups:**

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

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



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, **Starkweather** by **Harry N. Maclean**, is our pick for May.

**Join us May 12 at 7:00 pm in M12** for discussion and refreshments. **Members, share your suggestions for next year's book list with the office!**