

Sing a Song to the Lord! Do you remember those songs you sang when you were a child? Maybe some were silly, maybe some were fun, maybe some you sang in church, maybe some you sang at home. We want to know what those songs were and still are - those songs you sang when you were a child that you love to sing today! As we gather these songs, we may share them or sing them!



On behalf of the Food Bank of Lincoln, I wanted to thank you for your incredible support in making our 2025 Empty Bowls Luncheon a HUGE success!

Empty Bowls is truly a community favorite, and that is made possible by wonderful soup vendors such as yourself! We know how much effort, time and planning goes into being a soup vendor for this event, and we truly appreciate all the hard work and generosity.

*Because of your participation, we are thrilled to share that **over 400,000 meals** will be added to our community for neighbors facing hunger. Your culinary talents and willingness to give back helped make this event not only meaningful but memorable for everyone who attended.*

With gratitude,
Annelise Lowery + The Food Bank of Lincoln Team

A NEW pottery communion set in honor and recognition of the Eastridge Food Pantry’s ongoing commitment to end food insecurity in our community has been gifted to commemorate the event. To all who work and donate to the pantry and in honor of the collaborative leadership team: thank you for inspiring us and leading us as we live out the call to love our neighbors.



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EASTRIDGE
Presbyterian Church

The weekly lamp

TODAY AT EASTRIDGE—June 22

9:30 am	Worship —Sanctuary and online
10:30 am	Coffee Fellowship—Welcome Center
1:00 pm	Special Musicians—Huxtable Lounge

TODAY in worship:

Pastor: Melodie Jones Pointon, Kris “Bubba” Brammer

Worship Connection: Kris Adler-Brammer

Liturgist: Sara McInerny

Music: Bill Reichert, Diane Worrell Eaton

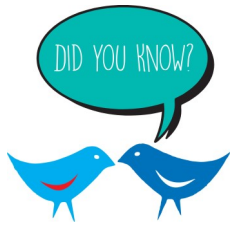
NEWSLETTER DEADLINE:
July newsletter deadline: Please submit items for the July newsletter by Monday, June 23.

June 22 - TODAY—Mark 10:17-31; Isaiah 5:1-7 & *Rainbow Fish*.
Guest Preacher: Bubba Brammer, Christian Education Director at First Presbyterian Church Lincoln.

June 29 - Numbers 21:8-9; *Bel and the Dragon* vv1-22 & *Dragons Love Tacos* by Rubin Salmieri.
Taco bar after worship!

Summer Sermon Series:

Faith Like a Child



Did you know?

The bulletin board in the hallway outside the women's restroom has volunteer opportunities and other community information.

Check it out!



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.

2025 sign up: <https://bit.ly/gatheringplace2025epc>



New in the Eastridge library: ***The Scientist and the Serial Killer*** by Lise Olsen, daughter of Carolyn and the late Duane Olsen. Synopsis: *Investigative journalist Lise Olsen brings to life the teens who were hunted by a killer hiding in plain sight and the extraordinary woman who would finally give his unknown victims back their names and their dignity.*

SABBATICAL NEWS: As part of Eastridge's commitment to pastoral renewal, pastors are eligible for a six-week sabbatical period after five years of service. Pastor Thomas will be on sabbatical beginning Thursday, May 15 and returning on Thursday, June 26.



At the center of Thomas' sabbatical is a spiritual pilgrimage along the Camino de Santiago, an ancient

path in northern Spain that has drawn pilgrims for centuries. Designed especially for clergy, this pilgrimage offers space to unplug, reflect, and encounter the Sacred—one step at a time.

In addition to the Camino, Pastor Thomas will use this time for rest, family connection, and the spiritual practice of "being where his feet are." Please keep him and his family in your prayers during this time!

Eastridge Food Pantry volunteer sign ups:

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

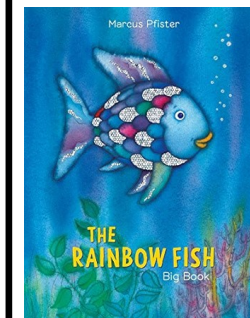
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Prayers: Condolences to the family of Lance Rankin. Lance's memorial service will be Monday, June 23 at 1:00 pm.



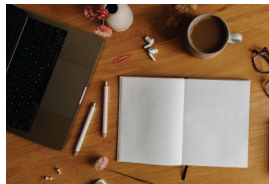
The Wednesday morning bible study will be starting "*The Grace of Les Misérables*" by Matt Rawle July 16. In the six-week study *The Grace of Les Misérables*, author and pastor Matt Rawle dives into six ideals found in the story—grace, justice, poverty, revolution, love, and hope—each represented by a character in Hugo's story.



TODAY'S BOOK referenced in the sermon: **Rainbow Fish** by Marcus Pfister.

Rainbow Fish has been a favorite of children all over the world for 30 years. Its indelible message is simple—a pleasure shared is the nicest pleasure. The book tells the story of a beautiful fish with shimmering scales who initially refuses to share his beauty with others. As the other fish admire him and request some of his scales, he learns that sharing leads to friendship and happiness. Ultimately, Rainbow Fish discovers that true beauty comes from generosity and connection with others.

Devotion Ministry: We are always looking for new writers for our online devotion ministry. If you are interested in writing, even just occasionally, please contact the office for more information. If you'd like to receive a prompt and the link five days a week via email, let the office know as well.



June 22—Bill Reichert,
Diane Worrell Eaton

June 29—Brent Shaw and
Will McGuire

**UPCOMING MUSIC FOR WORSHIP
THIS SUMMER! (look for July and
August soon)**



Eastridge Blood Drive:

Join us Tuesday, July 15 from 12:00—6:00 pm in the Huxtable Lounge to give blood! Sign up here (link available in online version of lamp):

[Schedule a Blood, Platelet or Plasma Donation | American Red Cross](#)

For more information contact the office.