



Justice in Action is an interfaith, grassroots coalition of faith communities in Lancaster County, Nebraska. We harness the power of organized people to address big community problems.

The first step is LISTENING. We invite you to join one of our “LISTENING SESSIONS” this fall to help us determine what issues we want to address this year. For additional information or to get involved go to: www.justice-in-action.org or contact Sara Bevans at sarabevans62@gmail.com

There is one TODAY in Huxtable Lounge, right after worship.

NOTE: The Eastmont session is scheduled for October 7 in the Sky Lounge. Contact Sara Bevans if you have questions!

Discover Eastridge: If you are interested in exploring membership at Eastridge, join us for a “Discover Eastridge” event. **Look for a sign up soon!**

Even if you are not ready to join, you are welcome to attend to find out more about our community. It will be held October 19 at 10:45 am (following worship) in Huxtable Lounge.



The **Eastridge Presbyterian Book Club** meets again October 13 at 7:00 pm. Our pick for the month is: ***The Forgotten Garden* by Kate Morton**. The EPC Book Club meets monthly from September—June in M12.

Join us for discussion and refreshments!

Eastridge Church Staff

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Our Staff

EASTRIDGE
Presbyterian Church



The weekly lamp

TODAY AT EASTRIDGE—September 28

9:30 am	Worship —Sanctuary and online
10:30 am	Coffee Fellowship —Welcome Center
10:45 am	JIA Listening Session—Huxtable Lounge
1:00 pm	Special Musicians—Huxtable Lounge

TODAY in worship:

Pastors: Melodie Jones Pointon, Thomas Dummermuth

Worship Connection: Kris Adler-Brammer

Music: Patty Niemann, Women’s Choir, Brent Shaw, Will McGuire, Kristen Unterseher



Join us as we gather around a Common Table October 5, following worship.

Eating together around a common table fosters community through shared meals and experiences. Our theme for October is apples, and we encourage anyone who would like to bring an apple themed dish to bring one!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

We have some wonderful opportunities in place for our children and youth coming this fall. Our volunteer opportunities vary in commitment and preparation – they can be a weekly, twice a month, or even monthly commitment. We will need:

Teachers – prepare and teach a lesson. At this time, we do not have enough people to cover our class needs. **Youth Group advisors** – lead recreation, prepare and teach a lesson/activity

If you think you might be interested in assisting the children and youth programming and would like additional information about these opportunities, please talk with Kris Adler-Brammer.





The Peace & Global Witness Offering is an initiative of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) designed to empower congregations and communities to promote peace by addressing various conflicts and injustices globally. This offering is part of the church's commitment to fostering peace and reconciliation in a world often marked by anxiety and discord.

The offering is typically received on World Communion Sunday, which falls on October 5 in 2025.

Meal for Youth: Each Wednesday evening, youth group begins with a meal. Providing a meal includes a main dish, side(s), and dessert. The church provides drinks and all the paper products. This year the group will consist of about 7-9 people. If you are willing to provide a meal, the following link can be used to sign up for a meal for the remainder of the year.

Sign up here: <https://bit.ly/youthmeal2526>



COLLEGE CARE

PACKAGES: It is time to send care packages to our EPC college students, and we need some goodies to fill the boxes. If you don't

want to go out and shop, you can also purchase online and just have it shipped to the church. If you are looking for ideas, you can use the following link to access our Amazon Wishlist. (<https://a.co/e4dn6le>) Please send it ATTN: Kris Adler-Brammer. And if you aren't up for shopping, cash donations are also helpful to purchase those last additional items or help cover the cost of postage (\$17.10 per box shipped).

Individual servings of cookies, oatmeal, crackers, etc.

Mac n Cheese (in the packets), ramen noodles

Halloween candy, granola bars/protein bars, gum, crystal light/drink powder packages

Laundry pods (non-scented), dryer sheets (non-scented)

Please have all items to the church office by Thursday, October 23rd so we will have everything to pack them up on Sunday, October 26th. We will be packing baskets/boxes on the 26th following worship and we would invite you to join us!

Check out the newsletter for more information!

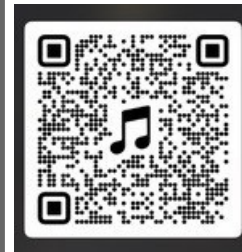
PRAYERS

Prayers for Peg Olmsted, for health concerns.

Congrats to the Kriz family on the birth of baby Wyatt! He joins parents Allie & Adam and big brothers Jack and Jamie.



Eastridge financial update: As in other years, our giving tapers off during late summer. We need approximately \$ 15,535 per week (Sept—Dec) to make our 2025 budget goal. **(For comparison, we took in \$ 3581 in general fund offerings this past week).**



SERMON SERIES PLAYLIST: Once again, our pastors have compiled a playlist to accompany our Holy Moments series. "These songs help us focus on those moments that are part of our everyday lives. Some of these songs remind us of the tasks associated with being parents, friends, children, spouses; some are about our search for meaning; some remind us that we are human beings and not human doings. They all speak to those moments that are holy in the midst of the everyday."



**EASTRIDGE
FOOD PANTRY**

Items we can use:

- Personal care items i.e. shampoo, conditioner, toilet paper
- Cleaning items i.e. laundry soap, dish soap
- Feminine hygiene products
- Canned fruits, vegetables, tomato products

- Canned meats
- Spaghetti pasta

TO VOLUNTEER:

Eastridge Food Pantry volunteer sign ups:

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

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

Sign up today!

What's a small act that helped you feel God's presence in your everyday life? This fall, we are asking for stories about small acts that helped you feel God's presence in your everyday life. Some of these stories may be shared in newsletters, sermons, in worship, or on our podcast, The Sunrise Road. We're calling it our **#do with love moments**, and it will relate directly to our fall series, "Holy Moments: Finding God in the Midst of the Everyday." To share your story, please email them to the office at office@eastridge.org, or send a video recording to 402-817-9004.

do with love