

Eastridge Faith Partners: DID YOU KNOW?

As part of Eastridge Faith Partners’ focus on caregivers, we’ve shared some information over the past two months on support, etc.



**Fifty-five (55%) percent of caregivers take on medical or nursing tasks like administering injections and managing catheters ~ from AARP**

Today marks our final “DID YOU KNOW?” blurb regarding caregivers/caregiving. Look for more information soon about an upcoming **Mental Health Café sponsored by Eastridge Faith Partners.**



**Calendar fundraiser:**

Thank you for purchasing the 2026 nature calendar to benefit the Choral Scholar Ministry at Eastridge.

This year we raised approximately \$ 600 for this Eastridge ministry.

**A FINANCIAL UPDATE:** Thank you for your contributions in 2025...we DID reach our goal of \$ 550,000! Your gifts to Eastridge Presbyterian Church help to fund the many ministries we support here. Look for more information in the 2025 annual report, coming soon!



Missed getting a “**star word**” on January 4 during worship?  
Pick up one in the basket at the Welcome Desk!

**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 in worship:**

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

**Worship Connection:** Kris Adler-Brammer

**Music:** "Pop-up orchestra": Jen Olsen, Hope Shortridge, Phoebe Pointon, Eli Pointon, Octavia Trenney, Sara Bevans, Kris Brenneis, Nancy Hall, Deb Reichert, Bill Reichert, Diane Worrell-Eaton, Abigail Kabell, Ella Young, Kristen Unterseher, Karen Buell. AND: Chancel Choir, Will McGuire, Brent Shaw.



**A THANK YOU FROM EASTRIDGE PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN:**

Thank you to all who purchased cookies in December at our annual cookie sale. We took in \$ 510 that will go toward a mission of Eastridge Presbyterian Women’s choosing.



Join us for our **Annual Meeting, “Eastridge Celebrates”** in Huxtable Lounge following worship on Sunday, **February 22 (NOTE NEW DATE!)**

Light refreshments will be served. Look for more information via email as the date approaches.



The youth will be hosting the **Souper Bowl of Caring** offering on February 8. This year the recipient of the Souper Bowl of Caring offering is the Eastridge Food Pantry. We would like to ask folks to bring shampoo/conditioner or feminine products. We want YOU to help us predict the Super Bowl winner again this year! Once we know who the teams are, watch the church Facebook page or the email notifications to know which item will be assigned to each team. Watch for more info!

Following worship that day, we invite you to stay and join the youth for a soup lunch and some fellowship in the Welcome Center.



### 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.



**TO VOLUNTEER in the EPC Food Pantry if you are a regular volunteer, see below. If you'd like to learn more about volunteering, contact the office!**

**Eastridge Food Pantry volunteer sign ups:**

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

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

**Eastridge Presbyterian Women monthly circles:** Our next monthly circle meetings are on Wednesday, February 4. Two circles meet in the afternoon, and one meets in the evening. Contact the church office if you are interested!



**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. The Gathering Place for 2026 sign up is online now! Check it out here: <https://bit.ly/epcgatheringplace26>



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.

Join us on **February 20 at 7:00 pm: Fellowship & Sharing/ Discussion** in Huxtable Lounge. **Topic: Vacations Good or Bad: bring your stories!**

### SNOW ANGELS:



**The City of Lincoln Transportation and Utilities** manager has reached out to churches in Lincoln, requesting interested volunteers for the Snow Angels Program. To find out more, visit:

[Snow Angels Volunteer Program – City of Lincoln, NE](#)

or check out the flyer on the bulletin board in M12/restroom hallway.



The **Eastridge Presbyterian Book Club** meets again February 9 at 7:00 pm. Our pick for the month is: ***Lady Tan's Circle of Women* by Lisa See**. The EPC Book Club meets monthly from September—June in M12.

Join us for discussion and refreshments! Check out the entire year's list online (link in online version of this bulletin):

[Book Club - Eastridge Presbyterian Church - Lincoln, Nebraska](#)



**YOUTH FAITH FORMATION:** As we move to February, we will need some folks who are willing to provide dinner. If you would be willing to feed and have some fellowship with us, please sign up using the following link. We are a fun, great group and it will be a great time. The link to sign up is <https://bit.ly/youthdinner25-26>.