



Justice in Action's 4th Annual Nehemiah Assembly: April 30 at 6:30pm at St. Mark's United Methodist Church.

Join with 26 other faith communities as we work to bring systemic changes to Lincoln and Lancaster County.

Current Issues: Food Insecurity, Diversion Programs. **Issues Being Monitored:** Mental Health Navigation, Eviction Mediation.



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 April 17 for a meal from Leon's at 6:00 p.m.** in Huxtable Lounge.

PLUS we will share our **Vacations—Good and Bad** stories (from the cancelled February meeting).

Fourth Friday Women's Coffee Fellowship: Join us in Huxtable Lounge on April 24 at 8:30 am for our monthly coffee fellowship. Let the office know if you would like to be included in an email reminder that week as well (sent monthly).



JUSTICE IN ACTION CHOIR

Join the JIA Choir! We'll meet at 5:30 pm April 30 to rehearse one or two pieces which will be performed at the start of the Nehemiah Assembly that evening at 6:30 pm. For more information, click on the QR code shown.



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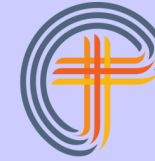
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EASTRIDGE
 Presbyterian Church



The weekly lamp

TODAY AT EASTRIDGE—April 12, 2026

- 9:30 am Worship—Sanctuary
- 10:30 am Coffee Fellowship—Welcome Center
- 10:30 am Packing college care boxes—M12
- 11:00 am Session Meeting—Huxtable Lounge



TODAY in worship:

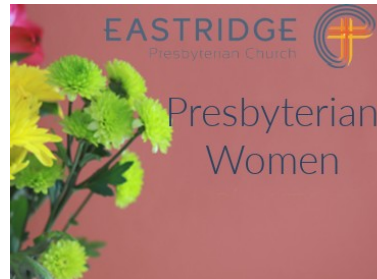
Pastors: Melodie Jones Pointon, Thomas Dummermuth

Worship Connection: Kris Adler-Brammer

Music: Marcia Claesson (autoharp), Will McGuire



Return to
 the Garden
 Sermon Series



EPW April Gathering: Pacemakers

Come find out more about pacemakers on April 15 at 1:00 pm at the EPW Gathering in Huxtable Lounge. The speaker will be Leah Baker, a chemical engineer who recently returned from Switzerland and works for Metronic in Minneapolis, Minnesota. She is also a granddaughter of Carolyn Olsen. **Join us on April 15!**



What is Walking Church? Walking church is a time to gather together and worship while we walk! **We'll meet Wednesdays at 8 am for a 30 minute walk (started this past week!)** in the parking lot on South Street just west of 33rd. We'll explore the trail in both directions, as we worship the God of all creation! *Note - if the weather is predicted to be prohibitive, we'll post on Facebook and send out an email notification of cancellation.



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FOOD PANTRY

Eastridge Food Pantry volunteer sign ups:

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

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

EPC Care Connections Spring Gathering! Tuesday, April 14, 6 pm-7:30 pm in Huxtable Lounge. If you are part of **EPC Care Connections**, or would like to be, you are invited to our **Spring Gathering!** We'll start with some time of fellowship followed by some time of discussion and discernment from 6:30 pm-7:30 pm. Finger foods will be provided!



Wilderness Park Hike on Saturday, April 25

at 10:00 a.m.: Join us for a relaxed morning hike in Wilderness Park, one of Lincoln's hidden gems. We'll enjoy fresh air, good conversation, and the beauty of the season as the trails come back to life. We'll meet at 10:00 a.m. at the First Street entrance (east side of First Street between Pioneers Blvd. and Old Cheney) The hike will last about an hour and a half at an easy pace on mostly flat terrain. All ages welcome. Dress for the weather, wear comfortable shoes, and feel free to bring a friend.



Eastridge will head to **Omaha's Lauritzen Gardens to see Thomas Dambo's TROLLS: Save the Humans on April 22** (watch for more details on departure times/meeting times at the Gardens soon). This outdoor exhibit by acclaimed artist Thomas Dambo features six towering trolls crafted from reclaimed wood.



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Prayers:

Condolences to the family of Jane Kinsey. Jane's memorial will be held at Eastridge on Friday, April 17 at 11:00 am.

Flowers today in memory of Judy Jewett by her children.



Prayer requests: Contact the church office if you'd like to be included here in the lamp or in an online private (Eastridge members) group.



Save the Date: 42nd Annual Mayor's Interfaith Prayer Breakfast

Join us on Thursday, May 7, 2026 from 7:30am to 9:00am at Venue 5 Twenty-Two in Lincoln. Doors open for breakfast at 7:30am. Program begins at 8:00am.

Lincoln Mayor, Leirion Gaylor Baird, will be the honorary chair for the event. Join us for a morning of wisdom, sacred readings, and music from the wide variety of faith communities that call Lincoln, Nebraska home.

Our Keynote speaker will be the Nebraska State Poet Jewel Rodgers, a celebrated performer and the author of Wax Over Water. Ms.

Rodgers will carry this year's theme "Who is My Neighbor", inviting guests to consider how we identify neighbors and treat them with dignity.

Let's come together to celebrate unity through community. See you there!

Join us April 19 for a book discussion of **"The Serviceberry: Abundance and Reciprocity in the Natural World"** by Robin Wall Kimmerer. We'll discuss the book, plus learn more about what we can do to encourage mutual flourishing, and sample some serviceberry-inspired foods!

We'll meet at 11:00 am Sunday, April 19 in Huxtable Lounge. Light refreshments provided.

Two copies of the book are now available in the Eastridge library.



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Abundance and Reciprocity
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ROBIN WALL KIMMERER
AUTHOR OF BRAIDING SWEETGRASS