

Fall Programming Schedule

Elementary Faith Formation (K-5th grade) – We began on Tuesday, September 15. We gather at the conclusion of the school day and meet until 5:30pm.

Middle & High School Faith Formation (6th – 12th Grade) – We started on Wednesday, September 9. We gather from 6:00pm to 7:30pm. We will continue our partner-

ship with the youth group at First Presbyterian Church. We continue alternating churches each month beginning with Eastridge in September.

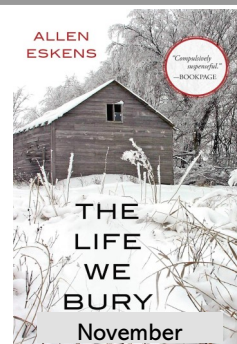


We can always use additional volunteers in all our programming. If you think you might be interested in volunteering with our children and youth in any way, with any commitment level, please talk with Kris Adler-Brammer.

EPC Book Club: We meet the second Monday of each month in M12, September—June. More information on the church website, calendar page. For October: ***The Long March Home* by Marcus Brotherton & Tosca Lee.**

For November: ***The Life We Bury* by Allen Eskens.**

For the entire year's list, head to the church website, calendar page.



Eastridge Food Pantry volunteer sign ups:

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

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

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.....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
Laura Siemsen.....Administrative Assistant
Kristen Unterseher.....Choir Accompanist

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Our Staff

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The weekly lamp

TODAY AT EASTRIDGE—October 4, 2026

9:30am	Worship —Sanctuary
10:45am	New Member Orientation—Huxtable Lounge
1:00pm	Special Musicians—Huxtable Lounge
1:00pm/3:00pm	NA Leaders Meetings —Fellowship Hall & M12

TODAY in worship: Pastors: Melodie Jones Pointon, Thomas Dummermuth

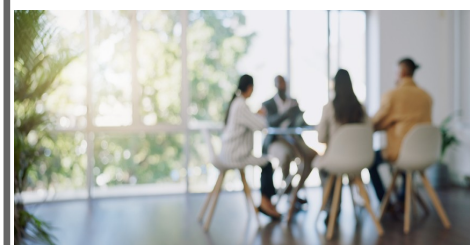
Worship Connection: Kris Adler-Brammer

Music: Peter Bouffard Jazz Trio, Michael Jha, Brent Shaw

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What We Hold
in Common



New Member Orientation TODAY!

Interested in membership at Eastridge? Come TODAY (October 4) following worship (10:45 am) to find out more! We will meet in Huxtable Lounge.

Sign up: <https://tinyurl.com/discoverEPC>



This fall we have made some changes in the sanctuary to provide a space that fits our children k-5. In place of the two pews that formerly were used for the Worship Connection, we have provided chairs that fit children and allow their feet to touch the ground.

There is also tabletop space that will allow

them to fully engage in the worship experience appropriate for their age. In this space, we will provide them with creative ways to participate in worship. We hope you will welcome these changes for our children in worship!



WHAT WE HOLD IN COMMON | 2026-27

From Values to Action

ENGAGING IN CIVIC LIFE

A conversation with Nancy Petitto, Executive Director of Civic Nebraska



Nancy Petitto



WEDNESDAY
OCT 14 2026
Noon-1:00 PM



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IN PERSON
& ON ZOOM



Promoting unity, understanding, and mutual support
Among different Faith Traditions in Lancaster County

From Values to Action:
Engaging in Civic Life with
Nancy Petitto, Executive
Director of Civic Nebraska

Wednesday, October 14
12:00-1:00 PM
Huxtable Lounge + Zoom

Join the Faith Coalition of
Lancaster County for a
conversation with

Nancy Petitto, Executive Director of Civic Nebraska, as we explore the many ways our shared values can find expression in civic life.

Eastridge financial update: As in other years, our giving tapers off this time of year. We need approximately \$ 15,000 per week (Sept—Dec) to make our 2026 budget goal. (For comparison, we took in \$ 3,956 in general fund offerings this past week).
Look for third quarter statements soon!



Pop-up orchestra: Any musical instrument of any level welcome! (Rain sticks, windchimes, and other percussion available with little or without any experience.) Rehearse Sunday, November 15 after the church service (about 10:45am) then play the prelude on Sunday, November 22 which is the Sunday before Thanksgiving. Talk to Brent at organman77@gmail.com or 919-609-5362 to get sheet music before hand or a part that fits your ability of any musical instrument.

Eastridge Presbyterian Church arranges to provide 4-5 volunteers at **The Gathering Place**, a local soup kitchen, on the 4th Monday of each month. Check out the sign up here: <https://bit.ly/epcgatheringplace26>

VOLUNTEER



PRAYERS

Prayers of condolence to the family of **Phyllis Hyde**. Service information to come.

Congratulations to these couples:

Mikayla Hinrichs & Alexander Emerson, and Sydney Mitchell & Tyler Mason. Both couples were married on Saturday, September 26.

Brett and Adalyn Meier, married September 30. Daughter is Everleigh.

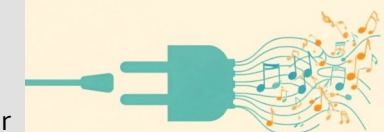
Blessings on your new lives together!



From the Earth Care Team: Tackle Your Fall Cleaning & Support Southwest Music! Clearing out old tech? Bring your unwanted items to the Southwest Music Department's Electronic Recycling Drive!

When: Saturday, October 10 | 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM **Where:** Southwest High School Parking lot. **What to Bring:** Anything that uses (or once used) electricity! Help us keep electronics out of landfills while supporting SW music students! List of items accepted: <https://trst.in/DzCd5X>

Electronic Drive



Upcoming Music calendar:

TODAY—Jazz Trio

September 27- Kirk Ringers

October 4 - Guest Jazz Combo

October 11 - Chancel Choir

October 18 - Guest Bugeaters Barbershop quartet and Bill Reichert

October 25 - Kirk Ringers and Chancel Choir

In November: See info on a pop-up orchestra (previous page in this bulletin!)

Trailblazers Snapshot: Trailblazers gathered for their monthly meeting September 18 and were excited to hear a presentation on *Pre-Historic Nebraska* by Jeremy McMullin from UNL State Museum. Prior to the presentation, the group enjoyed yummy fruit pizzas and other treats.

There were 28 in attendance (members plus guests). If anyone is interested in attending the meetings, please let one of the chairperson know so we can add you to the reminder call list. We meet September through May and meetings begin at 6:00 pm. Contact chairpersons: Sandy & Bryce (402-770-4289) or Betty & Bill (402-414-0264). You may also contact the church office.

