**Community Interfaith Thanksgiving Service:** Sunday, November 22 | 3:00 p.m.
South Street Temple | 2061 S. 20th St., Lincoln
Join people from across Lincoln's diverse faith communities for the annual Community Interfaith Thanksgiving Service. This gathering offers an opportunity to come together across religious traditions, give thanks, and celebrate the gift of community.
This year's service will be hosted by South Street Temple and Rabbi Benjamin Sendrow, with Rev. Irene Prince of Quinn Chapel AME Church as the featured speaker.
A reception will follow. You're invited to bring a dessert to share from your own tradition, as well as non-perishable food donations for the Food Bank of Lincoln.
**All are welcome!**




Following worship on Sunday, October 11, our Trustees and Session held a joint meeting to hear the reports of the **Elevator Committee and the Earth Care Team**. The vote was unanimous to move forward with the projects as proposed to address issues of accessibility and sustainability. These include the modernization of the elevator, replacing aged windows as necessary, and other projects. **A 2027 Capital Campaign Committee** is being assembled, and a fund has been established. A longer report will be published in the November newsletter.




EASTRIDGE FOOD PANTRY

**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
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# EASTRIDGE Presbyterian Church — *The weekly lamp*

## *TODAY at EASTRIDGE—November 8, 2026*

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| 9:30am | Worship —Sanctuary |
| 10:30am | Coffee Fellowship – Welcome Center |
| 11:00am | Session Meeting – M12 |
| 1:00pm | Special Musicians – Huxtable Lounge |

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

**Worship Connection:** Kris Adler-Brammer

**Music:** Kirk Ringers, Abigial Kabell (flute), Will McGuire, Brent Shaw

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**What We Hold in Common**

Join the **Faith Coalition of Lancaster County** as we welcome Maggie Stuckey-Ross on Wednesday, November 11 at 12:00 pm in Huxtable Lounge.

We'll hear **"All About Parks: Caring for the Places We Share".**

See you Wednesday! Bring a brown bag lunch if you'd like!




**November Congregational Meeting:**

This meeting will be on November 22, immediately following worship.

According to our by-laws, the purpose of the meeting is to approve the pastors' terms of call for 2027 and to nominate and elect officers.



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# *The weekly Lamp*

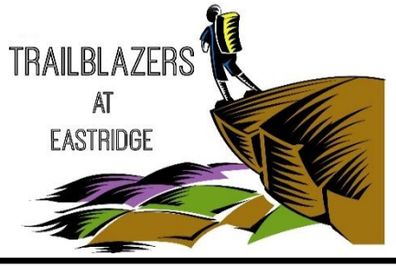
**For November 20: Speaker & refreshments**

**Guests Dave Keck and Jeannine Falter on a recent Shangai Trip**

6:00 p.m. – Huxtable Lounge

Committee: *John & Debbie Hicks, Bill Woito

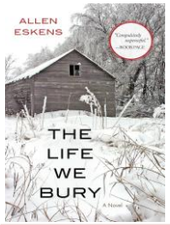
For more information, contact the church office!




**FROM THE OUTREACH COMMITTEE: "In the Blink of an Eye: Open someone's eyes"**

No matter how you say it, the ability to see clearly can change someone's life. EPC is collecting gently used prescription eyeglasses and UV resistant sunglasses for a mission trip to Kenya. Place your donations in the designated boxes in the welcome center before Dec. 31.






**EPC Book Club:**

Join us for our November book club meeting on Monday, November 9 at 7:00 pm in M12.

We meet the second Monday of each month in M12, September—June. More information on the church website, calendar page.

**For November 9: *The Life We Bury* by Allen Eskens.**

**Handspoken Pop up Sale**! Our Eastridge/First Youth Group is going to be hosting our annual pop-up sale in the Welcome Center. The dates of the sale are Sunday, November 15 following worship, Monday, November 16 from 10:00am – 7:00pm and Tuesday, November 17 from 2:00pm – 6:30pm. The Youth Group receives 15% of the total sales. These funds will be used to support our summer mission trip. We hope you will "stop by our sale" and check out all the goodies. As with all of our fundraising efforts, we appreciate all the support for the youth of EPC!

HANDSPOKEN FAIR TRADE



**Pop-up orchestra:** Any musical instrument of any level welcome! 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.

**Prayers and condolences for the family of Susan Taylor**. Susan's memorial service will be at Eastridge on November 12 at 11:00 am, luncheon to follow.

To be included in a prayer list, either here in the bulletin or in an online private group, contact the office.

We Grieve With You

**STEWARDSHIP SEASON:**. The Psalmist writes, "let the hills sing Together for Joy." We have mailed estimate of giving cards for 2027. Filling out a card helps our Finance Team build a budget that reflects our priorities and values for the upcoming year.



Sing to God a new song,
for God has done marvelous things.

Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth;
break forth into joyous song and sing praises.

Let the floods clap their hands;
let the hills sing together for joy.

+ Psalm 98

**We are currently collecting pledge cards.**

**Thank you for filling out a card!**



**FUND MATCH**: For the SEVENTH year in a row we have been given a matching gift for our general fund through a generous anonymous donor.

This year the gift is $12,000!

We are thankful for this generous gift as we enter the season of gratitude, as it encourages giving to the mission and ministry of Eastridge. Please note "fund match" in the memo line (or in the comment section if giving online). You may also email the office to let us know if an online donation is coming from you toward the fund match. **NEXT WEEK: an update on what we have raised to date toward the fund match!**

**YOUTH DINNER:** We LOVE having visitors at Youth Group on Wednesday evenings. It's a chance for us to get to know others in the congregation outside of the normal Sunday morning setting. One of the ways to get to know our youth, and be in fellowship with them, is to provide dinner on a Wednesday evening. If you would be willing to volunteer, you can sign up with the following link or QR code.

https://bit.ly/26-27YGdinner