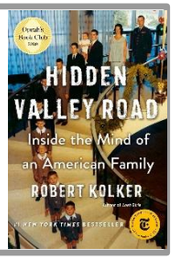
**Community Interfaith Thanksgiving Service:** Sunday, November 22 | 3:00 p.m.
South Street Temple | 2061 S. 20th St., Lincoln
Join people from across Lincoln's diverse faith communities for the annual Community Interfaith Thanksgiving Service. This gathering offers an opportunity to come together across 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!**




Join **Eastridge Faith Partners** for a book discussion of ***Hidden Valley Road: Inside the Mind of an American Family*** **by Robert Kolker.**
We'll meet Monday, December 7 at 7:00 pm in M12. Expect discussion of the book and themes it addresses, plus light appetizers! Sign up is encouraged, but not required!
**View sign up here: https://bit.ly/hiddenvalleydiscussionepc**




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
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# EASTRIDGE Presbyterian Church

*The weekly lamp*

## *TODAY at EASTRIDGE—November 15, 2026*

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

**TODAY: Handspoken Fair Trade Sale**

HANDSPOKEN FAIR TRADE

EASTRIDGE Presbyterian Church
What We Hold in Common

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

**Worship Connection:** Kris Adler-Brammer

**Music:** Chancel choir, Bill Reichert, Kristen Unterseher, Will McGuire, Brent Shaw
*Composer Mary McDonald, who wrote today's anthem and offertory, is a groundbreaking American composer, arranger, pianist and organist, having written over 1700 works and was the 1st woman to lead one of the largest church music organizations. She has 2 children and 7 grandchildren.



**Soup in Advent!** Join us for a soup lunch following worship on Sunday, December 20. We'll gather in the Welcome Center for soup and fellowship.

We need 8-9 people to bring a crockpot of soup!

Sign up here to bring soup: https://bit.ly/soupadventepc

**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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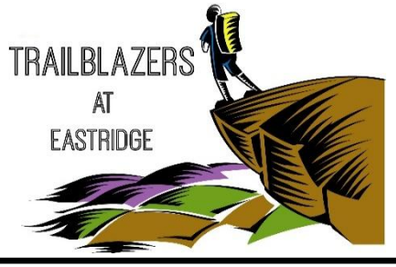
**For November 20: Speaker & refreshments**

**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.






**Advent Decorating**: It's time to start thinking about decorating for Advent and Christmas! This year we would like to invite our families to join us in decorating EPC for Advent. We will gather on Sunday, November 22 following the congregational meeting. We will conclude our decorating time with pizza, and the volleyball game will be shown on the screen. **We hope you will join us for this family event!**



**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.

**Check out the poinsettia donation forms** at the Welcome Desk today! Include payment and info on the form and return to the office, offering plate, or office inbox.

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



**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.

**We are currently collecting pledge cards.**

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



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



**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. **We have $ 5,850 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