

THE HERALD

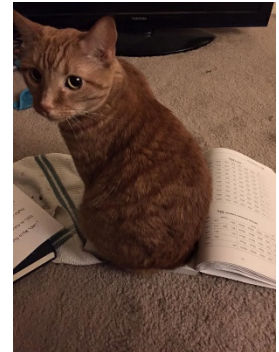
September 2021

Meet Our New Pastor



Hello y'all, I'm Erica Nelson, candidate to be your part-time solo pastor, starting in September if everything goes to plan! I am a single woman in my thirties and will be bringing a tabby cat named Amber with me to Nebraska. Amber is almost 15 years old and is still sweet and loving, even as she slows down with age.

As you will hear from my sermon, I like to call myself a 'social introvert,' which means I love being social with others but still need some alone time to recharge at the end of the day. When I am up to being social with others, I love playing board games, watching movies or tv, or just simply hanging out with some good food and nice tunes while we chat.



I am originally from Ogden, Utah and lived there my whole life until moving to Austin, Texas for seminary. I graduated from high school with both my diploma and my associates degree, and achieved my Bachelors Degree in Social Work two years later. I worked for the State of Utah Division of Child and Family Services for four years, working with children in foster care to be safely returned to their parents, adopted out to a loving and permanent home, or helping older teenagers learn independent living skills so they could take care of themselves if they aged out of the system.



In 2015, I answered the call to ministry and moved to Austin to attend seminary at Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary, earning my Master of Divinity degree in 2018. While at seminary, I discovered a passion for worship, biblical exegesis, and how the gospel calls us to be workers of justice in the world. I hope to live in to that calling through every aspect of my life, regardless of what kind of job God leads me to.

After graduating, I went to work for an interfaith advocacy non-profit organization, and I primarily worked in the fields of immigration and climate change. I unfortunately lost my job in 2020 due to COVID restricting travel. By the grace of God, I came across an opportunity to nanny for some friends from seminary in Virginia and took care of a seven-year-old and two four-year-old twins, all boys, from summer of 2020 to summer of 2021.

I now find myself with the potential opportunity of being your pastor and hope to get to know all of you, that we may be agents of Jesus' love in the world. As I have met with your PNC, I have been constantly filled with the warmth of their love and dedication, and know that the rest of the congregation will be the same.

Blessings,
Erica



SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

08 – Lacey Smith
 14 – Annabelle Singaas
 16 – Deb Kendle
 23 – Jackie Smith
 24 – Jacob Bahr
 24 – Ilah Singaas
 25 – Pat Zink



SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

01 – Larry & Melinda Brage
 03 – Ken & Diane Olsen
 12 – Freddie & Jeanne Bonnett
 12 – Ron & Jackie Smith
 13 – Jim & Carolyn Pester
 20 – Bruce Snyder & Jan Crouch
 22 – Scott & Candice Minks
 30 – Corrine Crouch & John Schmidt



HERITAGE BIRTHDAY CLUB

Anyone may join or renew their membership in Heritage's Birthday Club. Donations (usually 1 dollar per year of life) is made to our endowment fund.

REACH OUT TO HELP NEIGHBORS IN HAITI

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) is providing emergency relief and short-term recovery following the Aug. 14 earthquake in Haiti. The quake and its aftershocks have left almost 1,300 people dead, thousands more injured and an unknown number of people are still missing. At least 13,000 homes were destroyed and roads, bridges and communication systems have been severely damaged.

As this earthquake continues to cause destruction and loss of life, please pray for the communities affected by this event.

Gifts can be made [online](#), by phone at (800) 872-3283, or by check, which can be mailed to Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), P.O. Box 643700, Pittsburgh, PA 15264-3700.

WELCOME BACK TO IN-PERSON WORSHIP!

In-person worship has resumed at 10:30 am on Sundays.

- At this time it is requested that all persons wear a mask while attending worship.
- Sanitizing stations are available at various locations throughout the building.
- Offerings will be placed in baskets on your way in or out.
- Online virtual worship of previous services can be streamed anytime on YouTube. Shortened versions of in-person services will be posted the following week.
- Office hours are temporarily reduced to Tuesdays and Fridays, 9am - 1pm.

PEACE & GLOBAL WITNESS OFFERING

This year's theme for the Peace & Global Witness Offering is *Peace at all Times in all Ways* (2 Thessalonians 3:16). The Mission Committee invites you to join us to be a part of the work for peace in our world. This offering provides a concrete way to contribute to the work of peacemaking in our communities, region, and world.

LITTLE FREE LIBRARY

Our Little Free Library is in need of children's books! If you have any that you would like to donate, please place them in the narthex.

EASTRIDGE FOOD PANTRY

Eastridge Presbyterian has announced the re-opening of their food pantry. At this time they are only providing drive-thru distributions, but are hoping to begin in-person shopping sometime soon. Volunteers are needed for:

- Help Clients with Appointments – taking calls or returning messages to confirm appointments (can be done at home)
- Weekly Stocking of the Shelves
- Weekly Box Pickup/Box Making
- Help in the Weekly Distribution

If interested, contact Tami Rembolt at 660-728-9951 or tamirembolt@gmail.com.



October 1 & November 5: Games and Groceries

Come join us for some fun and fellowship as we play board/card games.

October 10: CROP Walk & potluck after worship

CROP Walk and World Food Day Celebration – join us for a potluck after worship and bring a non-perishable food item to donate to Heritage’s Food Pantry; contact Karen Griffin Sieber if you are interested in joining us as a “walker”.

October-November: Annual hat/mitten drive for students of Randolph Elementary

November 14: Taco Night & Silent Auction

Annual Mission Fundraiser – Taco Night and silent auction. Start thinking about an item(s) you can donate for the auction.

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**DEADLINE FOR THE
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September 25, 2021

Items received after this
date may not be included!

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SEPTEMBER 2021

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
29 10:30 AM Worship	30 10:00 AM Boy Scout Troop 39	31	1	2 2:00 PM Piano	3 10:30 AM Al-Anon	4
5 10:30 AM Worship	6 <i>Labor Day</i> 10:00 AM Boy Scout Troop 39	7 10:00 AM Women's Circle	8	9 2:00 PM Piano	10 10:30 AM Al-Anon	11
12 10:30 AM Worship	13 10:00 AM Boy Scout Troop 39	14	15	16 2:00 PM Piano	17 10:30 AM Al-Anon	18
19 10:30 AM Worship	20 10:00 AM Boy Scout Troop 39	21	22	23 2:00 PM Piano	24 10:30 AM Al-Anon	25 <i>Newsletter Deadline</i>
26 10:30 AM Worship	27 10:00 AM Boy Scout Troop 39	28	29	30 2:00 PM Piano	1 10:30 AM Al-Anon 6:30 PM Games & Groceries	2

Please refer to the online calendar for updated/changed events.