

THE BROOKSIDE CHRONICLE

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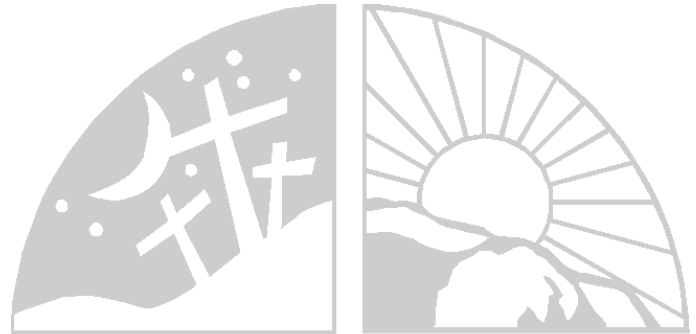
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Easter Lilies*

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Carolyn's



From Pastor Carolyn:

"When you come to the edge of all the light you have, and must take a step into the darkness of the unknown, believe that one of two things will happen. Either there will be something solid to stand on – or you will be taught how to fly." (author unknown)

At the center of our observance of Holy Week and the passion of Christ, is our understanding that this was a time of "the darkness of the unknown" not only for Jesus, but also for his followers. It is not hard for us to imagine how fear of the unknown future drove the first disciples to deny and betray Jesus. The original reaction of the women, who went to the tomb that Easter morning only to discover that the stone had been rolled away and who were greeted by a young man dressed in white, was just as fearful. The Gospel writer Mark describes their response this way: "So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid." (Mark 16:8). Mark ends his telling of the gospel story with those words describing fear and silence; a description of the kind of shock and crisis moments that we all have lived through, when the promise of Easter and resurrection seem so very far away.

But obviously, someone told someone. The paralyzing fear of the unknown was let go and the gospel of good news was proclaimed. Hope swallowed up darkness and joy replaced despair.

As we journey toward Easter, may we be brought out of darkness into light, out of fear into hope, and out of despair into joy, believing in God's abundant love made known to us in Christ's resurrection.

Blessings,
Carolyn



Holy Week

Palm/Passion Sunday – April 1

(Confirmation Sunday; First Communion)

10:00 A.M. All Ages Worship. A time when we worship God and remember Jesus' triumphal entrance into Jerusalem, and the events leading to his death on the cross.

Gather on the front steps of the Sanctuary immediately following worship, for our annual all-church photo.

Maundy Thursday – April 5

7:00 P.M. Join us in the Sanctuary for a Candlelight Service of Tenebrae and a remembrance of the Last Supper. Tenebrae (meaning "darkness" or "shadows") involves the symbolic extinguishing of candles, signifying the gathering forces of evil and the approach of Jesus' death.

Good Friday – April 6

7:00 P.M. We will gather in the Sanctuary for this solemn remembrance of the crucifixion of Christ. There will be an opportunity for anointing and healing as part of this service.

Easter Sunday – April 8

Worship

Our three services will be held at:

6:00 A.M. on the south lawn of the Manning House; dress warm!

7:00 A.M. in our Chapel; a brief service of the Word.

10:00 A.M. Joyous Easter Worship for all ages in our Sanctuary, featuring special music by our Choirs, along with accompaniment by the Nottingham Brass.



Breakfast

You are most welcome to gather for an Easter Breakfast that will be served from 7:45 - 9:15 a.m. in Fellowship Hall. Whether you go to the 7 a.m. service or the 10 a.m. service (or both!), this breakfast is timed just right! Donation is \$5 per person or \$15 maximum per family. We look forward to seeing you on this festive morning!



Our Work Is Cut Out for Us

The Search Committee has begun our work and will be providing the congregation with monthly updates in the *Chronicle* and during Sunday worship. Because this is our first report, we wanted to start with our vision for this work. The search and call process is an extraordinary blend of employment and spiritual work. The term "search" captures the practical, business-like personnel function of the work; in contrast the term "call" reflects the desire of the church and the candidate to discern the guidance of the Holy Spirit in our mutual decision-making. Our work will be guided by the Holy Spirit and supported and advised by the congregation, Pastor Carolyn and the New Hampshire Conference.

As the committee reflects on our work, we echo the observations of Pastor Carolyn in her March 2007 *Chronicle* article about the importance of Interim Time to the process of calling a pastor – it is the time for the congregation to reflect on its history and discern its special identity and articulate its vision for the future.

Thus far, the committee has met with Conference staff to receive orientation to the search and call process. Subsequently, the committee has met twice and has reviewed the materials provided by the Conference, sorted out the administrative tasks that accompany the formation of any new group, and developed a schedule of our work for the next several months. The committee will meet twice a month on Sunday after fellowship hour. The dates of our meetings will be included in the church calendar.

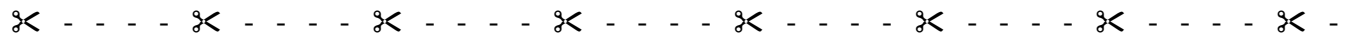
One of the responsibilities of the committee is the development of the Local Church Profile for Brookside Congregational Church, UCC. When completed, this lengthy document will present comprehensive factual information about the church (including information about demographics, finances, facilities, programs, and history), a picture of how we see ourselves as a faith community now, our vision for the future, and our assessment of the qualities and skills we are seeking in our new pastor.

The committee and the congregation have much work to do before we put pen to paper for the Local Church Profile. We will begin this work with a review of the history of Brookside and our most recent pastoral relationships. The committee is in the process of locating and pulling together materials from church records and other sources. The committee is committed to engaging current and past church members in the historical work. We have some ideas about how to do this and would eagerly and gratefully appreciate any and all thoughts about how best to involve the congregation in a discussion about its history.

We end this first status report with two important requests: first, we ask for your prayers for the committee and its work; and second, we ask for your enthusiastic participation in the process as we move forward.

With Thanks,

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| Gil Desjardins | Tricia Lucas, Chair |
| Jeff Fletcher | Judi Mitchell |
| Karen Horsch | Kerry Richardson, Chaplain |
| Joe Lachance | Laura Sevigny, Clerk |
| Pete Lovejoy | Brock Swetland |
| | Dale Trombley |



Easter Plant Donations

If you would like to donate a plant to adorn the Sanctuary on Easter Sunday, April 8, please fill out the form below and return it to the church office by **Monday, April 2**. The cost is \$12 per plant. (Plants may be picked up after the 10 a.m. service.)



Name _____

I/We wish to donate _____ Easter Plant(s) in memory of _____

Enclosed is my check for \$ _____ .

First Communion News

Sunday, April 1, our 1st and 2nd graders will celebrate communion with our church family. Following the Time With God's Children, they will join the 3rd-7th grades in returning to their seats to participate in Communion with their families. The Communion Bread has been made by this class as part of their First Communion instruction.

It is our practice and policy at Brookside Congregational Church to regard the timing of a child's first Communion as a family decision. We encourage you to talk about this opportunity with your child and to follow a timetable which is most appropriate for you and your child's faith walk.

Confirmation to Church Membership

During worship on **April 1**, *Victoria Benson, Mackenzie Cate, Shawn Connors, Jennifer George, Sierra Soucy, Sarah St. Pierre* and *Katie Williamson* will be confirmed in their Christian faith and become covenant members of Brookside Congregational Church, United Church of Christ. A celebration breakfast is scheduled for 8:30 a.m. on that day in Fellowship Hall. Family members and mentors are encouraged to attend the breakfast and the morning service.

These newly welcomed members will assist Pastor Carolyn in celebrating Holy Communion and sharing in the readings for the Maundy Thursday Tenebrae Service, **April 5**. Be sure to be with them on both April 1 and April 5, and congratulate them!

Brookside Youth to Travel, Serve

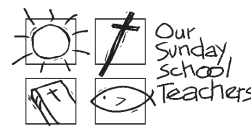
Themba Dhliwayo, Leandra George and *Michael Langevin* will be joining youth from UCC churches around NH for a return trip to West Palm Beach, Florida to work for hurricane disaster relief. They will leave from Manchester airport on Saturday morning, April 21, and return April 28.

Thandiwe Dhliwayo, Sam Ferranti and *Peyton Fletcher* will be traveling to Staten Island, New York, to work with Project Hospitality, an interfaith effort to shelter the

homeless, feed the hungry, and care for people with HIV/AIDS. They will leave by van from Brookside on Sunday, April 22, and return April 28. Jeff Fletcher and Jean Dickson will be traveling to NY as group leaders.

Both groups will be hosted by area churches, with some free time spent exploring the cultural and ethnic diversity of West Palm Beach and New York City. There will be several opportunities for these young people to share their experiences when they return.

As of March 25 we have raised 80% of the total amount needed for both groups through family contributions, youth group fundraisers and gracious donations from church members, the Thrift Shop and Women's Union. Thank you to all who have provided support, encouragement, and prayers for these six young adults.



Teaching in April

Infant/Toddler Room:
Stephanie Strandson

Preschool (3-5 Year-olds):

Karen Horsch, Leandra George

Grades 1-2: *Donna Moody*

Grades 3-4: *Erin Powers, Bob Milling*

Grades 5-7: *Sandi Decknick, Kathleen Dube*

30-Hour Famine Rescheduled

Brookside Youth's annual 30-Hour Famine was postponed due to a surprise spring snow storm. But fear not! The Famine has been rescheduled for **Saturday, May 5** beginning at 9:00 a.m. and continuing until 1:00 p.m. on **Sunday, May 6**. Join our middle school, senior high youth and supervising adults at Brookside for a full day of activities and an overnight lock-in. We will learn about developing countries and famine relief through games, discussions, watching movies, worshiping and participating in a "world famine" experience by eating 3 meals together (lunch, supper and breakfast) which will be sparse but nourishing. Please help support our youth in raising money to end hunger, and praying for their growing sensitivity for the needs of people around the world.

Youth Group Events on April 15:

Middle School: 11:45 to 1:00, Youth Lounge – food and fellowship, learning more about our partner church in Zimbabwe.

Mission Trip Orientation: 4:00 to 6:30 in the Youth Lounge.



Summer Camp, Anyone?

It's not too late to sign up for camp! Information about camping options is available in Fellowship Hall for all ages, elementary through high school, adults, and families with young children. To register, contact *Ed Mitchell* (472-7490) or log on to www.hortoncenter.org.

Women's Study Group

The Women's Study Group will be starting up again on **April 11**, the **Wednesday** following Easter, at the home of *Janet Kolkebeck*, 100 Carnegie Street, Manchester, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. We will continue our reading and discussion of *Reading the Bible Again for the First Time*.

Loaves and Fishes

Thank you for your March Loaves & Fishes donations—we collected 36 bags for New Horizons, our community partner. The next Loaves and Fishes collection will be **Sunday, April 1**.



Put On Your Walking Shoes

The 17th annual *Walk for Hunger* to benefit New Horizons will take place on **Sunday, May 20** at 12 noon. The Brookside Outreach Board is organizing a team again this year and invites you to walk with us to show our support for our long-time community partner. We will have sign-ups in Fellowship Hall from mid-April through early May. As we did last year, we'll have team t-shirts and will

plan to meet right after church on May 20th at Veterans Park in Manchester, the starting point for the walk. Don't worry about having to rush home to change after church that day--come to church in your walking clothes and sneakers! Please consider participating. If you can't, please consider sponsoring our team.

New Hampshire Conference, UCC News:

The Conference Council has recently appointed a Search Committee charged with the responsibility of seeking an Associate Conference Minister. Our own *Joyce Lovejoy*, a member here at Brookside, has been selected to chair this committee. Other members include Patricia Dubois, Luther Durgin, Wayne Martin, Deb Moore, Art Urie and Conference Minister Gary Schulte. Let us hold them in our prayers as they do this work on our behalf.

~ Brookside to Host Hillsborough Ass'n

We will be hosting the Hillsborough Association's annual meeting on **Sunday afternoon, May 6**.

~ NH UCC Annual Meeting Coming in June

We have received the call to the 2007 Annual Meeting of the NH Conference, to be held June 15-16 at Brewster Academy in Wolfeboro. The theme is "Raising the Bushel Basket: Rediscovering Dynamic and Vital Ministries." We will come together for business and worship, and to celebrate those ministries within our churches which can and do sustain us. The keynoter this year, the Rev. Martha Grace "Gay" Reese, is the Director of the *Mainline Evangelism Research Project*, a four-year study funded by the Lilly Endowment, Inc.

Fellowship Hour Schedule

Monthly hosts for Fellowship Hour are:

- **Apr:** Music Committee
- **May:** Board of Trustees
- **Jun:** Diaconate Board





We Welcome These New Members

New members who joined Brookside Church on March 18 are: *Chris and Karen Bulkley, Kevin and Jeanne Phelan*. Please welcome them into our church family.

New Members' Classes will be offered on **Sundays, April 1, May 6 and June 3** (choose one!), from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the upstairs Lounge. Reception of new members will occur on **Sundays, April 15, May 20 and June 17**.

Please let Pastor *Carolyn Keilig* know if you are interested in attending a class.

Holy Communion

The sacrament of Communion will be celebrated on **Sunday, April 1**, served by: *Jeff Fletcher, Dale Trombley, Raymond Brooks, Kathleen Dube, Dennis Giguere, Kevin Cate, Don Waldrup and Keith Hamer*.

Nursing Home Services

Worship services this month are as follows:

– **Sunday, April 15:**

- Courville, 2:00 p.m.
- Hillcrest Terrace, 3:00 p.m.

Parishioners are always welcome to come along as visitors or participants. Please try to work it into your schedule this month!



Baptisms

Ryan Taggart Williams (born 7/22/06), son of Matthew Williams and Leslie Taggart, was baptized on March 18.

Upcoming dates for baptisms are **Sundays, April 15 and June 17**. If you would like to schedule for one of these dates, please contact *Pastor Carolyn*.

If You're Hospitalized...

Because federal law greatly restricts the disclosure of patient information by hospitals,

the pastor and church office may not know that a member of the church has been admitted to the hospital. If you are hospitalized, and would like a visit from the pastor, it is important that you (or a family member) notify the church office as soon as possible. Call us at **669-2807**. Remember, hospitals no longer can provide this information to us.

To Your Health!

The Parish Nurse has hours here every week, on Thursdays from 10 a.m. to Noon in Room E. Avail yourself of free nurse consultation, blood pressure checks, health information, referrals and more. Be sure to check out the Parish Nurse bulletin board across from Room E to learn about events throughout Manchester!



For more information, call the Parish Nurse office at **663-8004**.

Women's Union to Meet April 19

This month's program has not been determined at press time, so you'll have to join us on **Thursday, April 19** to find out what it is! We meet in Fellowship Hall at 5:30 for social time; dinner is served at 6:00, then a short business meeting and the program follow. Make your dinner reservations by calling *Shirley Newell, (668-8425)* or *Bertha Siesicki (625-9824)*

Recent Losses Affecting our Church Family

Ruth Charest Alsten, sister of Brooksider Marge O'Connell, died February 18 in Sturbridge, Massachusetts.



Theodore Stebbins, brother of Brooksider Herbert Stebbins, died March 1.

Former Brookside member *Betty Bartlett* died March 2.

We offer our condolences to these families and hold them in our prayers.



Sagas From the Thrift Shop
 by Penny Stillman, Co-chair
 One of the Brookside Trustees' co-chairs dropped into the Thrift Shop recently to urge

us to write human interest stories for our congregation. Since we are directly involved in many ways of aiding those in need, we will occasionally report on these stories.

Our shop has a great fan club, consisting of customers, other churches, city, state, social workers and people "who have heard about us." Through them we learn of those in need. We are not in business just to raise money; we find ways for others to help others, too.

One day, a woman came in with a new, expensive electronic dart board game. She asked that we not sell it, but give it to someone who really needed it. One of our friends volunteers in the home for boys on Lowell Street. Ray comes in for "hoodies" for them; I gave him the dart board game for those boys. The next day, he was back, came around the desk, kissed me on the cheek and said it was from the boys. It took three separate individuals to find a home for the game and the boys are having much fun using it.

Just two weeks ago, Ray was back with a request for the lone woman service veteran who was in Liberty House, where they give shelter and help veterans in many ways. She had only the clothes on her back. Ray informed me she was my size, and could we give her some clothing; we packed a suitcase full. Back he came with another thank-you kiss (there are benefits working in the shop). Everything fit the female veteran and she can now go out and apply for jobs. But the sad ending to that story is, soon after this incident, it was announced that Liberty House is closing due to lack of financial support from the public. We worry about these veterans and where they will go.

When we tell inquirers where our profits go and I say 28 charities, local and far, they are astounded. So, please keep donating and shopping, so we can continue to help others.

Tour the Church – April 29

Learn about some of Brookside's secrets during this tour of the Church and Manning House. *Bill Hoysradt* will be your knowledgeable tour guide – meet him by the Coke machine in Fellowship Hall around 11:15 a.m. on **Sunday, April 29**.

Lost Linens Linger...

Tablecloths – large and small – are missing from Fellowship Hall. Please check to see if you may have brought them home at some point for laundering, and return them to the kitchen. Thank you.

Chronicle Deadline

Items for the May *Chronicle* are due in the office by **Thursday, April 12**. You can deliver them in person, send them by mail, fax them to **668-9041**, or e-mail them to: nicoleg@brooksideecc.org.

Keeping Tabs on Our Finances

Any questions regarding the detail of the treasurer's report below may be directed to *Gail Goodman* at **656-9038**, or e-mail her at ggoodman@elliott-hs.org.

TREASURER'S REPORT			
For the period ending February 28, 2007			
	<u>Actual vs. Budget</u>		
February	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Variance</u>
Total Income	25,864	25,457	406
Total Expenses	19,683	26,383	(6,700)
Net Gain (Loss)	6,181	(925)	7,106
Year-to-date			
Total Income	52,791	53,237	(446)
Total Expenses	36,196	46,454	(10,258)
Net Gain (Loss)	16,595	6,783	9,812
YTD Pledges	\$24,102	\$26,410	(2,307)



Meet Your Boards and Committees – Here Are the Trustees

We continue publishing our “mini biographies” to help us get to know one another better; meet the Trustees!

Mark Cross-Powers lives in Candia with his wife Karin and his two daughters, Katie age 11 and Ali age 7. Mark and Karin both work in the financial services industry at two competing firms. Karin is an active member of the church choir and the Christian Education Board. The girls are active participants in the Pat's Peak Alpine Race Team and love to horse back ride and play piano. Mark is an avid cyclist, skier, husband and dad. The Cross-Powers have been church members for four years and have attended Brookside for over seven years.

Ernie Desrosiers has been a member of Brookside for 11 years. He has been married to Jinnie for 65 years, has two children (Daniel and Mary), six grandchildren, and 12 great grandchildren – what a joy !!!

He attended and graduated the elementary and high schools in Manchester and also went to Springfield College and the NH School of Accounting. He served in the military for 32 years in the Active Army of the United States, Army Air Corps, NH Army National Guard and Reserves, serving in the Asiatic-Pacific Theater during World War II in the Philippines and Japan, while in the Army Air Corps he trained to be a Fighter Pilot. He retired from the military with the rank of Major.

He was a salesman for 40 years in the Glass & Aluminum business, with a territory of eight states during his last 20 years. He was a Scout Master for six years with Troop #103 at the First Baptist Church in Manchester.

Ernie enjoys art work, painting in oils and pencil sketching and he also loved building and flying radio controlled model airplanes. He served two terms on the Board of Trustees at Brookside and is now on his 3rd term and also served ten years in the choir. He has been retired for the past 22 years and is presently working part-time as a Draftsman & Estimator for Blue Dot Glass LLC in Hooksett.

Peter Farwell is a retired Verizon engineer who lives in Hooksett with his wife, Mary. They have been covenant members of Brookside Congregational Church for ten years.

Peter has served previously on the Board of Trustees with special interest in restoring the exterior and landscape to its original classic beauty. He has two children and six grandchildren (ages 7 and under) and enjoys spending time with them in the summer at his second home on Lake Winnepesaukee. He also enjoys travel, especially to warm places in the winter!

Steve Ferranti lives in Bedford with his wife Donna and their three children: Charlie, Sam and Sara. Steve has been attending Brookside for about 12 years. In that time he has taught in various grades as his children have progressed through the church school program and is beginning the second year of his three-year term on the Brookside Board of Trustees. Steve works in the hi-tech industry for a software company in Portsmouth and enjoys bicycling, motorcycling and astronomy when he has free time.

Gail Goodman has worked for the Elliot Hospital for 12 years in their Finance Department, currently a Senior Accountant in Financial Development. She is married and lives in Goffstown with her husband Michael. They have three children. Gail's son and daughter, Scott and Lisa, are currently in college and Michael's son Christopher is graduating from high school in Texas in May. Gail & Michael enjoy trips to the Cape to visit family as well as hiking, biking - and cross-country skiing (when there is snow...).

Scott Harris is married to Karen Horsch and they have two children, Emily and Carl. They have lived in the North End of Manchester since moving to New Hampshire in 1996. They began attending services at Brookside almost ten years ago and have been members for about the last six years. Scott is an attorney whose state-wide trial practice focuses on complex commercial and personal injury cases. In his off-hours, Scott trains for road races, skis and sails.

Joseph Lachance currently works for the United States Postal Service as a Labor Relations Specialist and Hesser College as an Adjunct Professor within the business department. Joe holds a Master's Degree in Business Education from Southern New Hampshire University and he is currently pursuing a Doctorate Degree from Northcentral University in Business Administration. Joe lives in Manchester with his wife Nancy and daughter Emily. Joe and Nancy are in the process of adopting a child from Guatemala and expect to have her home by mid-summer 2007. Joe enjoys live music, sporting events, spending time with family, and vacations.

Dave Migliori has served on the Trustees, Nominating Committee and Diaconate since joining the church in 1980. He lives in Manchester with his wife Cindy and his two children Scott and Kristin.

Judi Mitchell has been a member of Brookside Church for just over 14 years. She has served six years on the Music Committee, three on Trustees to date, both music director search committees and is currently on the Pastoral search committee. She has been a member of the choir for over 13 years. Judi has been a busy actress in community theater for the last 13 years as well. She lives in Bedford with her husband Ed and her children Erika and Chris.

Arthur Morehead lives in Goffstown and has been married to Lois for 50 years. They moved to the area in 1970 from Long Island where he was a tool design engineer for Grumman Aircraft. They owned and operated the Hill-Brook Motel in Bedford for 25 years. Arthur became a member of Brookside in 1990 after 20 years at a Bedford church. At Brookside, he has served as a Deacon and also a Trustee, and is one of the sextons of the church. He enjoys drawing, woodworking, gardening and team bowling.

Normand C. Noel has been a member of Brookside Church since 1972. He has been married to Myrtle Walker for the past 14 years and they live in Hooksett. They have, combined, 9 children, and all over the place

are 13 "Grands" plus 12 "Great grands" – they enjoy each and every one of them!!

Norm has served a number of years on the Board of Deacons, the Nominating Committee and the By-laws Committee. He has been a member of the Board of Trustees since 1988, serving in three-year increments with one or two years off in between, mostly serving on the Maintenance Committee of that board. He is a cabinet maker, wood worker and all-around "Mr. Fix-it." Main hobby: Work. Norm also enjoys reading – good mysteries, world events, building trade magazines – and listening to good music.

Laura Sevigny Since joining Brookside in 1993, Laura has served on a number of boards and committees. She resides in Manchester with her husband Roger and daughter Ashley. An avid reader, she also enjoys kayaking, camping, traveling, music and her role as operations director for a local company. Laura is currently serving on the board of Pastoral Counseling Services, the NH UCC Personnel Committee and on Brookside's Pastoral Search Committee.

Sakubva Church: Zimbabwe News

Where is Sakubva Church? How are the people of Sakubva alike/different from the people of Brookside? Why do we have an Ukama Partnership, and what is an Ukama Partnership anyway? After 10 years, it is time to take a fresh look at what this all means. If you have an interest in working with a small committee to help the people of Brookside learn again about Ukama and the people of Sakubva, please contact *Denise Forest* or *Janet Kolkebeck*.

Can You Hear Me Now?

Pastor Carolyn and Liberty Dhliwayo plan to reinstitute what we hope to be a monthly phone conversation with the leaders of Sakubva Church, tentatively scheduled for mid-day on **Monday, April 2**. If you would like to join in the conversation, please call ahead to confirm (669-2807).

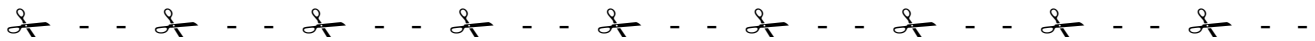
Please Help Us to Save Money

In an effort to save on printing, paper and mailing costs, the Brookside Board of Trustees is urging members to access the Monthly Chronicle online at the church Website, www.brooksidecc.org.

Beginning in May, we will e-mail the entire church to notify them each month when the Chronicle is ready. If we do not have your e-mail address and you would like to receive notification, then please send an e-mail to Nicole requesting that she add your e-mail address to the notification list. Please note, copies of the Chronicle will still be available in the Narthex and back hallway each month for you to take.

If you wish to continue receiving the chronicle in the mail, then please contact the church office by one of the following methods.

1. E-mail Nicole at: nicoleg@brooksidecc.org.
2. Call the church office at 669-2807 and ask Vicky or Nicole to keep you on the Chronicle mailing list.
3. Return the attached form in the mail to the church office.



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This Month's Lectionary

Each issue of the *Chronicle* features monthly Bible readings, so that you can read and reflect at home, on your own schedule.

Lectionary for April

April 1, Palm/Passion Sunday

Old Testament	Isaiah 50:4-9a
	Psalm 31:9-16
New Testament	Philippians 2:5-11
	Luke 19:28 - 23:56

April 8, Easter

Old Testament	Isaiah 65:17-25
	Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24
New Testament	1 Corinthians 15:19-26
	Luke 24:1-12

April 15

Old Testament	Psalm 150
New Testament	Acts 5:27-32
	Revelation 1:4-8
	John 20:19-31

April 22

Old Testament	Psalm 30
New Testament	Acts 9:1-6 (7-20)
	Revelation 5:11-14
	John 21:1-19

April 29

Old Testament	Psalm 23
New Testament	Acts 9:36-43
	Revelation 7:9-17
	John 10:22-30

READERS

April 1 Mike Wentzell	April 8 Kathleen Dube
April 15 Meridith Antonucci	April 22 John Cooperider
April 29 Elizabeth Dunn	

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9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Pastor Carolyn plans to be in Manchester Monday through Thursday.
Office tel. 669-2807 x 101; (H) 226-0625
email: pastor@brooksidecc.org

Please remember that the pastor is frequently called away, or may have other commitments during the day. It is best to call first if you need to speak with her.

DEACONS OF THE WEEK

April 1 Kerry Richardson Raymond Brooks	April 8 <i>Easter - All Deacons</i>
April 15 Raymond Brooks Kevin Cate	April 22 Don Waldrupe Joyce Lovejoy
April 29 Keith Hamer Don Waldrupe	

ACOLYTES

April 1 Katherine Cross-Powers	April 8 Colin Fletcher
April 15 Kimberly MacPhail	April 22 Ashtyn Milling
April 29 TJ Rapson	

CE PERSON OF THE WEEK

April 1 Ed Mitchell	April 8 Peter Lovejoy
April 15 Donna Moody	April 22 Ed Mitchell
April 29 Peter Lovejoy	

GREETERS

April 1 Sally Sederquist	April 8 Debi & Jeff Rapson
April 15 Dhliwayo family	April 22 Dennis & Elaine Giguere
April 29 Dawn Mahoney	

DOORPERSON

April 1 Keith Hamer	April 8 Mike Wentzell
April 15 Jeff & TJ Rapson	April 22 Kevin Cate
April 29 Jim Peace	

TRUSTEE OF THE WEEK

April 1 Mark Cross-Powers	April 8 Mark Cross-Powers
April 15 Peter Farwell	April 22 Peter Farwell
April 29 Ernie Desrosiers	

USHERS

April 1 Thomas Richards Jim Decknick Bruce Richards Dawn Mahoney	April 8, Easter <i>Diaconate</i> <i>Board</i> <i>Members</i>
April 15 Brock Swetland Marcy Lyman David Gates Benjamin Williamson	April 22 Kelli Fletcher Jeff Fletcher Peter Lovejoy Rod Leavell
April 29 Norm Noel Ellie Kelton Heather Soucy Jim Soucy	

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