

THE BROOKSIDE CHRONICLE

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Carolyn's



From Pastor Carolyn:

"Every morning I awake torn between a desire to save the world and an inclination to savor it. This makes it hard to plan the day. But if we forget to savor the world, what possible reason do we have for saving it? In a way, the savoring must come first."

(E.B. White)

It may be true that most mornings when our feet hit the floor, saving the world is not on the top of our "to do" list. Yet, we might easily find ourselves facing serious responsibilities, critical tasks, and a variety of jobs that require emotional and mental stamina. The day ahead might not include "saving the world," but what we are doing sure feels important. We might even consider ourselves indispensable or be recognized as crucial to the success of an upcoming event, which without our presence or input could easily fail. Pressure to be productive in the workforce or to overachieve with our families can lead to unhealthy stress or behaviors.

I like E.B. White's reminder that we need to remember to take the time to savor our world; to slow down and take delight in the world our God has created. Summer often is a wonderful time to reconnect with those things that are important to us and to pay special attention to our spiritual health.

On behalf of the Board of Deacons, I invite you to explore a particular spiritual path this summer. Coming out of the Lenten study group was an interest in learning more about labyrinths and how walking one can be a significant part of our prayer life. There will be two different opportunities to learn about labyrinths in July: **Sunday, July 15**, from 11:30 a.m.-12:15 p.m. and **Tuesday, July 17**, 7:00-7:45 p.m. These workshops will be identical and held in the Lounge, and children and youth are more than welcome. They are planned to be an orientation for walking a labyrinth or using a finger labyrinth.

You are also invited to go on a field trip or two to walk an outdoor labyrinth. There are several beautiful ones in New Hampshire

that are free and open to the public. We are in the process of planning trips to visit some of these on both **Sunday, August 19** and **Wednesday, August 22** in the afternoon. As we get closer to these dates, check the website (www.brooksidecc.org), Sunday bulletin, or call the office for carpooling information, and exact times and places.

I hope that you will be able to save the time to savor God's creation with your friends in Christ here at Brookside.

Blessings,
Carolyn

Time-out for the Pastor...

Pastor Carolyn will be at Horton Center the week of **July 22**, and will take vacation time from **July 29 - August 12**. Should a pastoral emergency occur, members of the Diaconate Board will respond to pastoral care issues as they arise. In the event of a death, serious illness or other critical event occurring, the Rev. *Cindy Bagley*, Pastor of the Dunbarton Congregational Church, UCC, will be on call. Please call the Brookside office, **669-2807**, to contact the Deacon on call should you require assistance.



Sermon Series Concludes July 1

Pastor Carolyn will be concluding her sermon series lifting up the 50th Anniversary of the United Church of Christ.

July 1- Luke 9:51-62; Galatians 5:1, 13-25 "Responsible Freedom"

One of the gifts of our denomination is the insistence of the autonomy of the local church. To put it bluntly, "no one can tell us - the local church - what to do." How do we balance freedom and responsibility?

No Answer? Here's Why:

The church office will be closed on **Tuesday, August 21**. Staff members will be off-site attending a retreat.



Thank You, Thank You, Thank You:

~ To all who helped make Children's Sunday such a fun celebration. We should all be proud of the leadership roles our children and teens took on once again. We have some great future leaders in our midst. Let us continue to encourage their faith through prayer, fellowship and fun.

~ To the folks who taught in our Sunday School program during the 2006-07 program year:

Lance Auger, Susan Benson, Susan Bilo-deau, Dawn Brockett, Marcia Connors, Karin Cross-Powers, Mark Cross-Powers, Robin Davison, Sandi Decknick, Thandi Dhliwayo, Themba Dhliwayo, Charlie Ferranti, Donna Ferranti, Steve Ferranti, Peyton Fletcher, Leandra George, Dennis Giguere, Becky Guimont, Karen Horsch, Bonnie Hoyt, Michael Langevin, Joe Lachance, Nancy MacPhail, Tracey McDonough, Cindy Migliori, Bob Milling, Chris Mitchell, Ed Mitchell, Mickie Mokos, Donna Moody, Alyssa Mun, Sandy Mun, Erin Powers, Debi Rapson, Jeff Rapson, Sally Sederquist, Teagan Soucy, Stephanie Strandson, Brock Swetland, Gina Swetland, Doug Thomas, Jennifer Wentz.

We are grateful for their time and guidance, their patience and thoughtfulness in helping to lead our children in their journey of faith.

Parents and Kids, Please Take Note:

During summer, Sunday School is available for children ages 5 and younger. Although some older children/pre-teens may, on occasion, help when one of their parents is teaching, we ask that elementary school aged children use the quieter summer time to be in worship. Thank you for your assistance.

Vacation News

Our Christian Education Director will be on vacation from **July 3 through July 22**. Please call the church office (669-2807) if you need assistance during this time.

Keeping Up with Secret Pals

We hope that you've sent your Secret Pal a note or small activity by now. Be sure to do so two or three times more this summer. If you've misplaced your Pal's address or info sheet, contact *Jean Dickson* (669-2807 ext. 104 or jeand@brooksidecc.org).

A reminder: **September 9, 2007** is Homecoming Sunday when you'll meet your Secret Pal for a special lunch. Be sure it's on your calendar!

Camping Builds Spirit

Several people will be attending Horton Center at Pine Mountain this summer. Sandi Decknick and Josh have volunteered to be unit leaders, while Taylor and Phillip will attend as campers. Kathleen Dube and children plan to be at Family Camp.

Pastor Carolyn will be volunteering as a Unit leader the week of July 22-28.

Ask any of them how you can attend next summer!

Help Prepare Our Classrooms

Help is needed to get our classrooms ready for fall. General room and toy cleaning, relocating tables & chairs, restocking classroom supply shelves are all jobs that require willing volunteers. Please help out if you can on **Monday, August 27** (3:30-5:30 pm) or **Wednesday, August 29** (5-7 pm). C.E. Board members will be available both days.

Let's Keep Our Youth Involved!

Mark your calendars now for the Junior High Retreat, **September 21-23**, and the Senior High Retreat, **October 12-14**, both taking place at Geneva Point Center on Lake Winnepesaukee. Each retreat will begin after supper on Friday and end after breakfast and closing worship on Sunday. Anticipated cost for each retreat is \$50 per person. A planning team from around the state will begin its work soon to make these events meaningful and fun for everyone. Watch for additional retreat details on the NH Conference web site, www.nhcucc.org.

Doing Themselves Proud:

Graduated from Central High School:

Sarah Chamberlain – plans to major in music at DePauw University in the fall. She is the granddaughter of Ethelda Chamberlain.

Graham Grinnell, son of “Nicole in the office,” will be attending Worcester Polytechnic Institute, with plans to major in biochemistry.

Stasia Turner has enjoyed singing in the chorus at Central and working at the child care program at the YMCA. After graduation she will be taking advantage of a transition year to study French and explore a variety of occupational opportunities with a hope to work in the field of child care in the future.

Graduated from West High School:

Thembaletu Dhliwayo has been working at Ridgewood Center Nursing Home and will be taking classes through the summer and fall semesters to complete prerequisites for a career in nursing. He hopes to continue working at Ridgewood and earn scholarship support through one of four excellent training facilities in the area.

Charles Ferranti will be attending Northeastern University in Boston in the fall, majoring in biochemistry. Charlie has been an active musician through high school. He hopes to be involved in the jazz band at Northeastern.

Graduated from Memorial High School:

Leandra George has participated in winter and spring track all through high school, Latin Club for 2 years, and has played softball for 13 years. She will be attending UNH Durham majoring in psychology with plans to go on to law school.

Michael Langevin has been working long hours with an area landscaping company. He will be working at Foothills for the summer before heading off to Connecticut Culinary Institute, where he will study culinary arts with a focus in Hotel Management.

Nathan Nault has been busy this year. He is ranked 5th in his class, is an editor of the yearbook, a member of the National Honor Society, the Varsity Golf Team, and Latin Honor Society. He also achieved the rank of Eagle Scout this year. He will be attending Holy Cross on a full Navy ROTC scholarship.

Graduated from Derryfield School:

Hilary Hamer graduated Valedictorian and member of the National Honor Society. Hillary has fenced competitively at the national and international level for 6 years, and participated in crew during her senior year. She will be attending Brandeis University on an academic scholarship, with intention to major in chemistry, physics, biology or biological physics.

Kristin Migliori was a commencement speaker at graduation. She received Highest Honors and the Departmental awards for Drama and Life Sciences as well as an award for Community Service work. Kristin hopes to continue her work in these areas while attending Colgate University in the fall.

College/University Graduates:

Jennifer Adams received her Master’s Degree in Math Education from Plymouth State University. She is Carole Whitcher’s daughter-in-law.

Nicholas Bold graduated with distinguished honors from Worcester Polytechnic Institute, earning a degree in Electrical & Computer Engineering. He will begin working for BAE Systems as an engineer in July.

Scott Migliori recently graduated Summa Cum Laude in the University Honors Program from the University of New Hampshire with degrees in Finance and Accounting. He will be returning to UNH next fall to complete a Master’s program in Accounting.

Elisabeth Nault graduated Magna Cum Laude from UNH with a Bachelor’s Degree in Music Education. She was a member of the Wind Symphony, the Symphonic Band, the

Pep Band, and the Wildcats Marching Band. For two years, she was the Drum Major for the Marching Band. She was also a member of the Music Fraternity, Kappa Kappa Psi, a community service based fraternity. She held the offices of Historian, Secretary, and Treasurer. In the fall, she will be student teaching at Wells High School, in Wells, Maine.

***Regis Wakefield** received her Bachelor's Degree in Psychology from UNH and is currently in Tokyo completing a semester abroad. She will begin a Master's program at Northeastern University in the fall.*

Church School Teachers are Needed for 2007-08

Thank you to the many teachers and assistants who worked with our children during the Church School hour this past year.

During the coming year we hope to pair volunteers new to teaching Sunday School with experienced teachers to provide an exciting and fun Sunday morning experience for children and adults alike.

At this point, we continue to need teachers for the following classes:

Infant / Toddler Room – birth through age 2

A consistent adult presence is needed to provide comfort, familiarity, and routine to the youngest of our children. We are looking for up to 3 adults who would be willing to commit to providing supervision for 3 months a year. The schedule could rotate a month at a time among the supervising adults.

Preschool / Kindergarten – ages 3-5

Keeping with our Safe Spaces policy, 2 adults or 1 adult and 1 high school youth are needed for: Sept., Oct., Nov., Dec., Jan., Feb., March, April, May.

Elementary – 1st thru 4th grade

This is a new configuration. We will be using a multi-age curriculum and will require 3 adults or 2 adults and 1 high school youth each month. Second adult needed for: Nov., Dec., Feb. A third individual is currently needed for all 9 months.

Middle School – 5th, 6th & 7th grade

Two adults or 1 adult and 1 high school youth are needed for: Dec., Feb., March, April, May.

Please contact *Jean Dickson* (669-2807 ext.104) to volunteer your time to help support the important work of Christian education at Brookside.

SoulFest 2007 at Gunstock Aug. 1-4

SoulFest combines over 125 artists, authors and speakers for four nights of fellowship, music and inspired teaching. Brochures are on the bulletin board by the church office, or check out www.thesoulfest.com.

Music Notes from Rob St. Cyr

Summer Greetings to all! I hope you all find time for some R & R in the next couple of months, but if you are itching to get involved in our summer services, then now is the time to sign up for "Summer Solos". I will be looking for singers or instrumentalists (solo, duet or small group) to provide music during the 'Offertory' for each summer service. You may take your pick: any Sunday in July or August. If you are interested, please call me at the church office (669-2807, ext. 108) to let me know of your intent.

Blessings,

Rob

Visitation Training to Be Offered

The Diaconate is opening up its upcoming Visitation Training session to any Brookside members who have an interest in learning ways to better connect with friends and members of Brookside through visitation. If you have an interest in visiting those who would appreciate support or who are going through a life transition, we encourage you to attend this workshop. It will be held on **Sunday, July 1**, from 11:30 a.m.- 1:00 p.m. in the Lounge, and lunch will be provided. Please RSVP to Pastor Carolyn (669-2807, ext 101 or pastor@brooksidecc.org).



Update on Our Search

First, the Pastoral Search Committee wishes to thank the congregation for its participation in the history project. We were able to identify several main themes because of the wonderful feedback we received, which are summarized as follows:

- Brookside Church is a community, because we: are welcoming, approachable, and inclusive; actively participate in collective activities such as meals, special events, group outreach activities and board and committee work; form connections and relationships across generations.
- Outreach activities are important to the life of the church, exemplified by: members actively participating in outreach activities; offering the use of the church building and grounds for outreach activities; supporting our local and community organizations such as New Horizons and Families in Transition; supporting international outreach such as our partnership with Sakubva Church and support for Compassion International and Partners in Health.
- Our focus on the importance of youth in and to the life of the church, exhibited by: youth participation in worship; the Christian Education curriculum/programs for Sunday School, youth groups and special intergenerational activities; youth participation as members of boards and committees.
- The importance of the Music Program to the life of the church.
- Our interfaith involvement.
- Our awareness of the importance of Brookside's long history as it relates to the present and future life of the church.

- Our awareness of challenges, such as: stewardship, including the blessing and curse of our endowment; declining Church membership and attendance.

Next on our agenda through the summer, we'll be working on completing the Local Church Profile. This document will detail who we are as a congregation and characteristics we're looking for in our next pastor. There are many questions within the profile that we need to reach out to the congregation to help us complete. We're creating a survey that we'll mail to the congregation in early fall. This survey will be very comprehensive and is essential in helping us to complete the profile. We ask for your full participation in completing the survey that can be done via the mailed copy or online.

We expect to complete the Local Church Profile -- using the survey results, history themes and work the committee completed thus far and will complete through the summer -- and submit it to the NH Conference by October 15th.

Thank you again for your enthusiastic participation during the search process.

Very sincerely,

Tricia Lucas, Chair
Gil Desjardins, Vice Chair
Kerry Richardson, Chaplain
Laura Sevigny, Clerk
Jeff Fletcher
Karen Horsch

Joe Lachance
Pete Lovejoy
Judi Mitchell
Brock Swetland
Dale Trombley



Take a Tour – Learn a Bit of Our Story

Hear 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 outside near the Lemonade area around 11:15 a.m. on **Sunday, July 29**.



Brookside's Gardens Yield So Much More than Just Plants:

(1) Memory Garden Creates a Healing Place for Bereaved Parents

"The goal of our memory garden project is to create a place of peace and serenity, a place where the beauty and the scent of flowers penetrate the senses, allowing memories to come forth, feelings to be felt, and a healing to take place. Our memory garden will be a living, vibrant place in honor and in memory of our children."

The Compassionate Friends have gifted Brookside Congregational Church and our wider community with a Memory Garden that is a place of beauty and peace. Remember that you are welcome to visit it and find spiritual rest and healing.

(2) International Garden Helps Refugees Take Root in Their New Home

For the third consecutive summer we are privileged to provide space for an International Garden. Cared for, planted, and harvested by our Manchester neighbors who are refugees, and guided by UNH Cooperative Extension's *Margaret Hagen* and other UNH Master Gardener volunteers, the garden is a place of riches – food and fellowship abound.

This year the refugees are Somali Bantu, Somali, Sudanese, Burundi, Ukrainian and Turkish. Because of staff cuts at the Extension, there will not be interpreters this year which makes things very interesting! Margaret notes, "It's a good thing that we can accomplish most of what we need to do by sign language and demonstrating. We have 12 families as well as a common area where we grow crops the refugees don't have in their plots (lettuce, winter squash, herbs, lots of extra tomatoes, etc). Each family chose the plants they wanted to grow based on their cuisine and the plants we can grow in NH during our short growing season. So, as you'd expect, the Turks and Russians wanted lots of broccoli, cabbage, dill, onions and potatoes, while the Africans were more inter-

ested in okra, sweet potatoes, peppers and eggplant. **Anyone who would like to visit or volunteer on a Friday morning between 9:00 and Noon is more than welcome."**

Helping to Stamp Out Hunger

On May 20th, nineteen Brookside adults and children braved the spring rain and participated in New Horizons' Walk Against Hunger. Thank you to all who walked, collected pledges or donated to this cause. A total of \$1,205 was raised by our team.

Loaves and Fishes

On June 3rd, 25 bags of groceries were donated and delivered to New Horizons' Soup Kitchen. Thank you all for your generosity. Our summer *Loaves and Fishes* collections will be on **Sundays, July 1 and August 5.**



New Horizons Volunteers Needed

Volunteers from Brookside serve the evening meal at New Horizons' Soup Kitchen on the fifth Tuesday of the month. A 4-6 member team spends approximately two hours serving dinner to an average of 120 people.

We are currently looking for a 5-member team of volunteers to serve supper at the Soup Kitchen on **Tuesday, July 31** from 4:15 to 6:00 p.m. If you are interested, please contact *Mike Wentzell* at **603-818-8071** or at mike.wentzell@advantagegases.com.

Drivers Needed for Meals on Wheels

Just two hours of noontime assistance, on the weekday(s) of your choice, can help the elderly and disabled homebound remain healthy and live independently. Please help by calling *Charlotte Troddyn* (**424-9967**) to volunteer, or for more information. See also www.mealsonwheelsnh.org.



Holy Communion

On the first Sundays in July and August we will celebrate Holy Communion by intinction. This practice is used at our Maundy Thursday Service, and it creates a meditative way of celebrating this sacrament. The servers will walk to the center aisle. One person will have a cup with juice and the other a plate of bread. Intinction simply means that after taking a piece of bread, the recipient dips the bread into the juice and then eats the bread immediately. Those who are unable to walk forward will be served at their pews.

Serving on **Sunday, July 1** will be deacons *Russ Dunn, Dale Trombley* and *Dennis Giguere*.

Deacons serving on **Sunday, August 5** will be: *Kevin Cate, Don Waldrup* and *Kerry Richardson*.

We hope that you will enjoy this different but reverent way of celebrating Communion during the summer months.

Nursing Homes: "See You in September"

No worship services are scheduled during July and August for Courville and Hillcrest Terrace. Monthly services will resume in September.

Open, Greet, "Ush," Light, Read...

The Diaconate Board is looking for folks who are interested in being Doorpersons, Greeters, Ushers, Acolytes and/or Readers next year (the schedule/rotation begins in September). If you are interested in helping out with one or more of these "jobs" (generally once every 4-6 weeks), please contact the appropriate person(s) as listed below:

Acolyte: *Kathleen Dube*, 867-5284, email

kadube@comcast.net.

Doorperson and/or Greeter: *Keith Hamer*,

497-4409, email hamer20@comcast.net.

Reader: *Raymond Brooks*, 624-8567 (before

8 p.m.), email raymondbrooks@juno.com.

Usher: *Don Waldrup*, 623-2382.

Baptisms

Baptized on June 17 were:

Colin Cleland Daley (born 8/28/04) and *Kaitlyn Anne*

Daley (4/26/07), children of Kenneth and Cheryl Daley; and *Madelyn Jane Mason*

(10/6/06), daughter of Andrew and Kristi Mason. We welcome these children into our church family.

The next opportunity to schedule a baptism is **July 15**; please speak with *Pastor Carolyn* if you are interested.



Parish Nurse Will Miss Twice in July

The Parish Nurse usually has hours here weekly, most **Thursdays** from 10 a.m. to Noon in Room E. Lots of folks stop by regularly for blood pressure checks, free nurse consultation, health information, referrals and more. BUT... she will be away on **July 5 & 19**, so don't look for her on those days! For more information, call the Parish Nurse office at **663-8004**.

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.

Consider Serving Your Church...

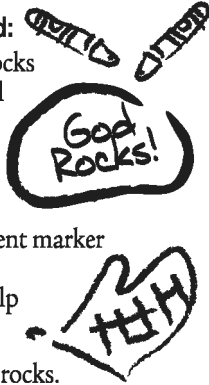
If you would be interested to serve as a Deacon or member of the Boards of Christian Education or Christian Outreach, please speak with *Dave Migliori* (623-2241) or any other member of the Nominating Committee.

THERE IS NO ROCK LIKE OUR GOD

Try this fun summer craft that transforms rocks into beautiful waxy jewels! This craft can remind you that "there is no Rock like our God" (1 Samuel 2:2).

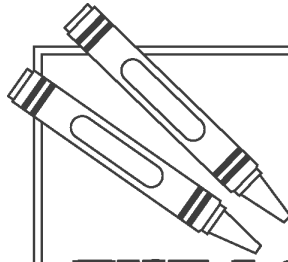
What you need:

- Smooth flat rocks
- Aluminum foil
- Oven mitt
- Newspapers
- Old crayons
- Cookie sheet
- Black permanent marker (optional)*
- An adult to help



What you do:

1. Clean off the rocks.
2. With an adult's help, set the oven to 225 degrees and bake your rocks for 15 minutes on a foil-lined cookie sheet.
3. While the rocks bake, remove the paper wrappers from the old crayons.
4. With an adult's help, use an oven mitt to remove the rocks from the stove and set them on a pad of newspapers. The rocks will be VERY HOT, so be careful!
5. Draw on the stones with the crayons. The heat will melt the crayons into vibrant liquid wax. For a swirl effect, hold each crayon against the rock in one place to create a puddle of color, and continue to swirl the color around with the end of the crayon.
6. *After the rock cools, use the marker to write "God Rocks," "The LORD is my Rock" or "My God is my Rock."



Just for **KIDS**

THE LORD IS MY ROCK

Skipping stones, rock climbing and hiking are all fun summer activities. What do they all have in common? Rocks! Look at Psalm 18:2 to see the strength in the ONE rock we can depend upon.

Search the puzzle for the **BOLD** words from Psalm 18:2, and circle them. The words **MY** and **ROCK** only need to be found once.

"The **LORD** is **MY ROCK**, **MY FORTRESS** and **MY DELIVERER**; **MY GOD** is **MY ROCK**, in whom I TAKE REFUGE. HE is **MY SHIELD** and the **HORN** of **MY SALVATION**, **MY STRONGHOLD**."

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GOD ROCKS.

Footprints IN THE SAND



Try this craft at the beach, at the park or in your own sandbox at home. It will remind you whose footprints we should follow.

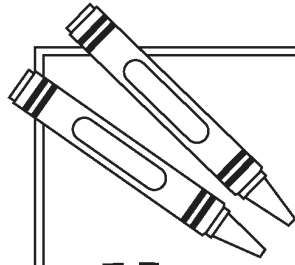
What you need:

- Plaster of Paris
- Sand (beach, park or sandbox)
- Small shells (optional)
- Water
- Small bowl
- Stick, toothpick or skewer (optional)



What you do:

1. Find some moist sand by digging down a little.
2. With a bare foot, make a footprint in the sand.
3. (Optional) Place shells face down on the toe imprints as toenails.
4. Follow the plaster of Paris directions for mixing the dry plaster with water in bowl.
5. Fill the footprint with the plaster and smooth the surface.
6. (Optional) Using a stick, toothpick or skewer, write "Direct my footsteps" (Psalm 119:133) or "Follow Me" (John 10:27).
7. When dry, place the foot in your garden, yard or room.
8. Remember to turn the foot over to remind yourself of whose footprints we should follow, and that we are never alone.



Just for **KIDS**

Unique Creations

Have you ever walked along the shore and noticed the footprints you make in the sand? A famous poem called "Footprints in the Sand" reminds us we are never alone.

Unscramble each word and write it inside the footprint. See what Psalm 119:133 (NRSV) says about our footsteps. (The bold letters are the first letters of the words.)



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Psalm 119:133, NIV

Answer: "Direct my footsteps according to your word; let no sin rule over me."

A Note of Appreciation:

We would like to express our appreciation to all of you who extended your sympathy on the recent death of our son, Donald Noel.

Your prayers, attendance at his funeral, the flowers and cards, and your donations to the Phoenix Burn Society were a great comfort to our family in our time of sorrow.

Thank you, Norm and Myrtle Noel

Chronicle Deadline

Please submit all items for the September Chronicle no later than Thursday, August 9. You can deliver them in person, send them by mail, fax them to 668-9041, or e-mail them to: nicoleg@brooksideecc.org.

Financial Update

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.

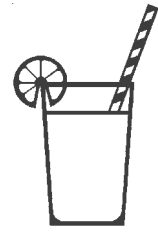
Please remember your Pledge during the Summer!

TREASURER'S REPORT			
For the period ending May 31, 2007			
	<u>Actual vs. Budget</u>		
May	Actual	Budget	Variance
Total Income	34,085	30,262	3,824
Total Expenses	24,939	26,442	(1,503)
Net Gain (Loss)	9,147	3,820	5,327
Year-to-date			
Total Income	151,187	138,777	12,410
Total Expenses	144,387	144,460	(77)
Net Gain (Loss)	6,800	(5,684)	12,484
YTD Pledges	\$73,755	\$67,934	\$ 5,821

Fellowship Hour Schedule

Monthly hosts for Fellowship Hour are:

- **July:** Board of Trustees
- **Aug:** Music Committee
- **Sept:** Outreach Board



STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The objective of *The Brookside Chronicle* is to disperse church news; inspire people to a new awareness; and interpret the ministry of our church. We will be faithful to the truth, honest and caring, and strive for accuracy.

The *Chronicle* staff appreciates and welcomes input from all organizations, boards, officers, members and friends of Brookside Congregational Church. We reserve the right to edit, cut or leave out articles according to available space, timeliness and priority.

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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.

CE PERSON OF THE WEEK

July 1 Leandra George **July 8** Tracey McDonough

July 15 Karin Cross-Powers **July 22** Ed Mitchell

July 29
Cindy Migliori

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August 5 Donna Ferranti **August 12** Mark Wentz

August 19 Liberty Dhliwayo **August 26** Donna Moody

Share Some News with Sakubva Church



The next scheduled telephone call to our partner church in Zimbabwe will take place at Noon on **Monday, July 9** in Pastor Carolyn's office. Interested parishioners are welcome to participate!

GREETERS

July 1 Becky Guimont **July 8** Jody delSordo, Frank Lee

July 15 Anne & Bob Lachance **July 22** Brock Swetland

July 29
Elizabeth & Robert Dunn

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August 5 Anne & Lance Auger **August 12** Norm & Myrtle Noel

August 19 Donna & Rod Leavell **August 26** Nancy MacPhail

USHERS

July 1 Norm Noel **July 8** Doug Thomas
Ellie Kelton Scott Davison
Heather Soucy Dave Migliori
Jim Soucy Joe Lachance

July 15 Sis Dunn **July 22** Thomas Richards
Robert Dunn Jim Decknick
Russlyn Dunn Bruce Richards
Kerry Richardson Dawn Mahoney

July 29
Sally Sederquist
Sandi Decknick
Phillip Decknick
Kathleen Dube

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August 5 Keith Hamer **August 12** Ben Lambert
Ed Mitchell Linda Lambert
Jeff Rapson Kevin Cate
Don Waldrupe John Cooperider

August 19 Brock Swetland **August 26** Kelli Fletcher
Marcy Lyman Jeff Fletcher
David Gates Peter Lovejoy
Benjamin Williamson Rod Leavell

TRUSTEE OF THE WEEK

July 1 Laura Sevigny **July 8** Laura Sevigny

July 15 Laura Sevigny **July 22** Laura Sevigny

July 29
Steve Ferranti

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August 5 Steve Ferranti **August 12** Joe Lachance

August 19 Joe Lachance **August 26** Scott Harris

DEACONS OF THE WEEK

July 1 Jeff Fletcher Dale Trombley	July 8 Dale Trombley Keith Hamer
July 15 Keith Hamer Kevin Cate	July 22 Kevin Cate Kerry Richardson
July 29 Kerry Richardson Russ Dunn * * * * *	
August 5 Russ Dunn Dennis Giguere	August 12 Dennis Giguere Joyce Lovejoy
August 19 Raymond Brooks Don Waldrupe	August 26 Don Waldrupe Sandi Decknick

New Testament	Colossians 1:15-28 Luke 10:38-42
July 29 Old Testament	Hosea 1:2-10 Psalm 85
New Testament	Colossians 2:6-19 Luke 11:1-13

Lectionary for August

August 5 Old Testament	Hosea 11:1-11 Psalm 107:1-9, 43
New Testament	Colossians 3:1-11 Luke 12:13-21
August 12 Old Testament	Isaiah 11:1, 10-20 Psalm 50:1-8, 22-23
New Testament	Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16 Luke 12:32-40
August 19 Old Testament	Isaiah 5:1-7 Psalm 80:1-2, 8-19
New Testament	Hebrews 11:29 – 12:2 Luke 12:49-56
August 26 Old Testament	Jeremiah 1:4-10 Psalm 71:1-6
New Testament	Hebrews 12:18-29 Luke 13:10-17



Bible Readings for the Month

Summer 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 July

July 1 Old Testament	2 Kings 2:1-2, 6-14 Psalm 77:1-2, 11-20
New Testament	Galatians 5:1, 13-25 Luke 9:51-62
July 8 Old Testament	2 Kings 5:1-14 Psalm 30
New Testament	Galatians 6:1-16 Luke 10:1-11, 16-20
July 15 Old Testament	Amos 7:7-17 Psalm 82
New Testament	Colossians 1:1-14 Luke 10:25-37
July 22 Old Testament	Amos 8:1-12 Psalm 52

READERS

July 1 Michael Ninivaggi	July 8 Karyn O'Neil
July 15 Mary Pratt	July 22 Jim Soucy
July 29 Jeff Rapson * * * * *	
August 5 Janet Kolkebeck	August 12 Beverly Robie
August 19 Linda Seabury	August 26 Paula Ninivaggi