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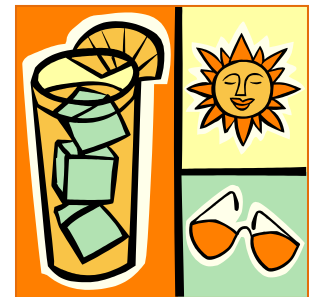
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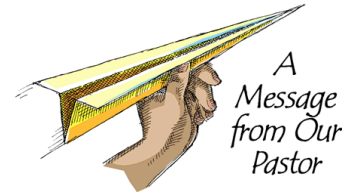


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From Dawn's Desk

The Community Garden is sprouting vegetables and flowers; the Butterfly Garden is blossoming; the Thrift Shop gardens are splendid; and all around Brookside there is a greening as we head into summer. How blessed we are to have ten acres of land, an oasis in the city of Manchester, which we are pleased to share.



We have started our plan for cleaning up around the Ray Brook. A chipper was brought in to make mulch out of the branches and limbs on the ground. A bobcat will also be used to spread out the mulch and some of the leaf and grass debris piles. New compost frames will be built for the organic waste of the Community Garden, and we are hoping some education for our gardeners will happen around what gets put in the compost pile and what needs to be thrown away.

Brookside has had a history of dumping our branches, grass clippings, and leaves in the back by the brook. It looks unsightly to neighbors on Chestnut Street, and it encourages neighbors to also use our land as a dumping ground. I have learned that the city will pick up branches that are bundled, and that is our plan for the future. The vision is to slowly progress in maintaining a nice, meditative walkway by the brook.

We have received many positive compliments on the new church sign. Even the alderwoman called to say she had received positive comments from neighbors. A landscaping group is being contracted to plant low maintenance, low growing, and attractive plants around the sign. This fall we have planned for one or two large trees alongside the church and toward the front, replacing the pine trees which were taken down.

If you have some time over the summer, weeders are always needed in the church gardens. This fall we could do an ingathering of bulbs for planting the end of September, beginning of October. Perhaps, if we had enough we could exchange some among ourselves and other perennials that we need to divide at our own homes. The actual front of Manning House could use some TLC with plants.

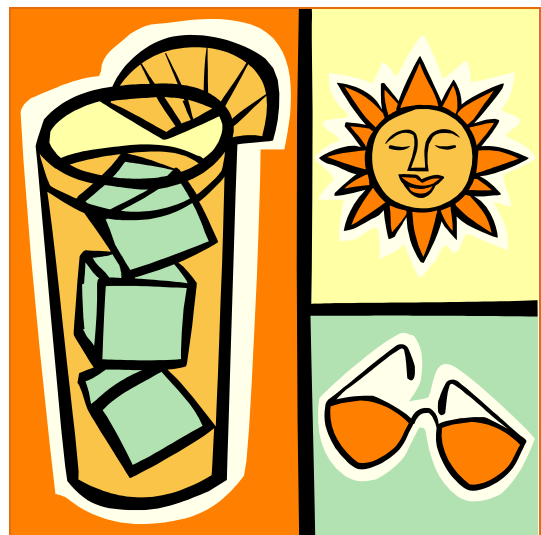
This summer enjoy a walk around Brookside and give some time to helping maintain the gardens and grounds.

May you enjoy a summer of visiting with family and friends, the beauty of northern New England, and a Sabbath rest with God.

Pastor Dawn

***Pastor Dawn Offers Iced Tea
again This Summer,
Tuesdays Beginning July 12***

Pastor Dawn will host tea on the Manning House patio, **Tuesdays, July 12 through August 30**, from 11 am to Noon. Plan to attend to share in discussion and catch up on Brookside news.



Adult Secret Pals:

Don't forget to send a note and/or small activity to your assigned child two or three times during the summer months! You'll get to meet each other at a special luncheon on a Sunday in September.

Kids Learn, Have Fun at Summer Church School Workshops

This Summer the children are learning the stories of Abraham and Sarah. Each workshop focuses on a little different aspect of this story. Abraham and Sarah are known for their faith for they left their homes and family to travel to a place they did not know. They also believed that they would be parents of a great nation even though they had no children until they were in their 90's. Sarah laughed when she heard that she would have a child, and some workshops might focus on laughter and joy. Each week there will be one multi-age workshop for children 4 through 6th grade. Most weeks they will be meeting in Room D, for that is the coolest classroom. The only exception will be cooking which will meet in Manning House Kitchen.

Summer Workshop Schedule

Date	Teacher	Workshop	Shepherd
June 12	Bob Falco	Creative Drama	Sis Dunn
June 19	Karyn O'Neil	Art	Sally Sederquist
June 26	Bob Falco	Creative Drama	Tom Cleary
July 3	Amy Woloski	Cooking	Tom Cleary
July 10	Ann Auger	Art	Lance Auger
July 17	Sarah Duffley	Cooking	Chris Taylor
July 24	Ed Mitchell	Video	Sis Dunn
July 31	Rand Cayer	Games	Sally Sederquist
August 7	Melody Whitcher	Music	
August 14			
August 21	Scott Milne	Science	Calley Milne
August 28	Scott Milne	Science	Calley Milne
Sept. 4	Rand Cayer	Games	

Join Us on Wednesdays for Summer Storytelling Hour at Brookside Church!

- When and Where:
 - Every Wednesday from June 29th through August 3rd
 - Brookside Manning House back lawn
 - 2013 Elm Street
 - *More Info @ www.brooksidecc.org*
- Join the Fun from:
 - 10:30 am to 11:30 am
- Excitement Includes:
 - Storytellers:
 - Master Storyteller: Pastor Dawn Berry
 - Brookside Neighborhood Reader
 - Meet Manchester City Library (Karyn Isleb)
 - Sign up for a library card
 - Check out “Books on the Road”
 - Join the Summer Reader Program
 - Visitors, Puppets, Activities, Fun and More
 - Bring a picnic lunch to follow!



**Rainy day storytelling will be held in the Brookside Manning House Sun Porch*

***All ages are welcome. Stories will be geared toward ages 3-7*

Event Schedule...

Wed., June 29th - Story Theme: TBD

- ✓ **Visitor: Currier Art Museum** Intro to summer kids programs
- ✓ Story & Art activity
- ✓ Manchester City Library “On the Road Checkout Program”

Wed., July 6th - Story Theme: **NH Critters & Nature**

- ✓ **Visitor: NH Audubon Center**
- ✓ Manchester City Library “On the Road Checkout Program”

Wed., July 13th - Story Theme: **Who Keeps us Safe**

- ✓ **Visitors: Meet Police Officer Rondeau and Fireman Dan & Fire Mascot Sparky!**
- ✓ Tour a police car & fire truck
- ✓ Manchester City Library “On the Road Checkout Program”

Wed. July 20th - Story Theme: **Animal Companions**

- ✓ **Visitor: Manchester Animal Shelter and Friendly Pet**
- ✓ Adopt an Animal
- ✓ Manchester City Library “On the Road Checkout Program”

Wed., July 27th - Story Theme: **Fairy Houses**

- ✓ Build a Fairy House
- ✓ Sprinkler fun
- ✓ Manchester City Library “On the Road Checkout Program”

Wed., August 3rd - Story Theme: **International Animals**

- ✓ The Elephant is our friend
- ✓ Kids Music: Join in a Song & Fun w/Kim Whitehead Musician
- ✓ Manchester City Library “On the Road Checkout Program”



Something for the Whole Church Family

On **Friday, July 22** we will have a family movie night. This is for the whole church family. We will meet at 5:00 pm for a pot luck supper. Bring a dish to share, and your own place settings. This way there is little clean-up. The movie "Places in the Heart" will start at 6. After the movie there will be a discussion about the movie. There will be a special movie and child care for children.

We will have another family movie night on **Friday, August 26** (also 5:00) with pot luck supper and children's program. Watch the Bulletin for the title of that movie.

Congratulations to Our Graduates!

Sierra Soucy graduated from Central High School and will attend UNH Manchester.

Jack Wisner (son of Vicky Wisner in the office) graduated from Bishop Brady High School. Next year, he will attend Norwich University to pursue a BA in Studies in War and Peace (SWAP).



Liberty Dhliwayo received a Ph.D. from Southern New Hampshire University.

Hilary Hamer graduated from the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute with the following degrees: Bachelor of Science in Chemistry, Summa Cum Laude and a Bachelor of Science in Biochemistry, Summa Cum Laude. Hilary will be pursuing her Doctorate in Chemical Biology at Harvard University this Fall.

Erin LaPorte received an MBA from Rivier College.

Kristin Migliori graduated from Colgate University, Summa Cum Laude, and earned the honor of Phi Beta Kappa. She majored in Neuroscience. She will be starting a Masters program at Boston College in the fall to become a Pediatric Nurse Practitioner.

Linda Purdy received a Master's Degree from Southern NH University.

Maria Bartel Rocha (daughter of Maryelizabeth Bartel) graduated from Georgetown University with a Spanish and Portuguese Languages major, and a Linguistics minor. She will pursue graduate study in the Alliance of Catholic Education Program at the University of Notre Dame.



Planning for April 2013: Journey to the Holy Land

Brookside (Pastor Dawn) and Temple Adath Yeshurun (Rabbi Beth) are planning an Interfaith Journey to the Holy Land for 9 days, sometime between **April 7 and 25, 2013**. We will visit biblical sites important to the faith of Judaism and Christianity, as well as learn about some of the contemporary issues challenging the peace of Israel and Palestine. Those participating in the Journey will be expected to come together for a 3-week block of study in the fall, 2011; spring and fall, 2012, and journey in the spring, 2013. Topics include: Introductions to the Two Faiths, Biblical History and Geography of Judaism and Christianity, and Israel Today. With input from the Board of Christian Education with Brookside, Pastor Dawn and Rabbi Beth are developing a reading list and curriculum for our church and synagogue to share in study. Even if you don't go on the journey, you can participate in this exciting interfaith opportunity of study. More to come in the September *Chronicle*.

Strengthen the Church Offering to Benefit NH Youth, Among Others

Outreach thanks everyone who contributed to this brief campaign. While short, the campaign is nonetheless very important to Brookside. The monies raised will keep the national UCC church vibrant, as well as provide for NH UCC children's education and activities. Brookside raised \$166.

Off to Zimbabwe

At this writing, two boxes are being filled with tools, cloth items, and a communication system for Sakubva Church and the wider Ukama partnership we have with the United Church of Christ in Zimbabwe. The cloth items, dish rags, towels, etc., will help homemakers. The many tools may be used in training programs to help men or women learn a trade, or in construction projects giving people the opportunity to provide for their families. Thank you for your contributions. Transportation costs for the shipment are being covered by a generous donation from the Thrift Shop.



Loaves and Fishes

With summer here, eligible children do not receive their free meals at school, so families rely more than ever on the food pantries for help. This is also a time of year when people are less likely to donate. Please consider putting some extra items in your supermarket basket for those in need. Our next collections are **Sundays, July 3** and **August 7**. Please remember to bring your donations in another week if summer vacations will keep you away during our Loaves and Fishes collection days. Thanks a million!

Holy Communion Served by Intinction in Summer Months

On the first Sundays in July, August and September 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. Intinction emphasizes one's faith in coming forward to receive what Christ gives. Those who are unable to walk forward will be served at their pews. We hope that you will enjoy this different but reverent way of celebrating Communion during the summer months.

Deacons scheduled to serve are:

July 3: *Jeff Rapson, Joyce Lovejoy, Jeff Fletcher*

August 7: *Joyce Lovejoy, Kathleen Dube, Denise Forest*

September 4: *Jeff Fletcher, Kathleen Dube, Joyce Lovejoy*



Interested in Membership?

If you would like to become a covenant member of Brookside Congregational Church, please speak with *Pastor Dawn* (669-2807, ext. 101 or pastor@brooksideucc.org). A special gathering will be planned when we have a group of folks who have expressed an interest in learning more.

Baptism: a Commitment to Our Children

If you would like to schedule a Baptism for a future date, please speak with *Pastor Dawn* (see contact info. above).

Baptized on June 19 was *Brynn Anne Ricker*, daughter of Michael and Kristen Ricker.

Thrift Shop Co-Chair Penny Stillman Crows about the “Hen House”

Almost 20 years have sped by since I joined the Thrift Shop, and they have been joyous ones. When it was suggested that I participate, there were only three or four workers; now there are 14. Some work one day a week and a few are there six or seven. That’s because they want to be in our “Hen” House. It brings great joy to us as well as to those we aid.

The Shop is not, basically, about money earned, although it continues to do well, no matter what the weather or economy. People tell me they had to come in, even if they don’t need anything. What they find there is a neat, interesting spot with volunteers who are welcoming, who will listen to others’ woes, many of whom have no one to talk to. “I just had to stop in today because I needed to,” they say. It used to raise my eyebrows, but I understand now.

We have a great staff, hard workers who leave their own problems at home and slip in the door knowing what an effect they have with their welcoming ways. Of our 14 workers, three belong to other churches and have told me their church does not have a shop or all the various programs we do.

Have you seen the garden lately? Three years ago, my son, Wake, dropped by and exclaimed, “Something has to be done about the outside. The weeds are literally three feet high all around it! Would you like me to clear it up for you?” Never one to refuse assistance, I gave him permission to do so. After he had worked a while, I went to check on him and discovered he was pulling up the weeds one by one, shaking each out. I informed him we had tools to dig a spadeful at a time. He corrected his mother by saying, “This is Holy ground and I’m not going to waste any of it.” That first year, he cleared nearly half an acre, built steps to the back door for safety, an arch for baskets of flowers to hang from and columbine to grow up on. He made paths of crushed stone and lugged in a bird bath and cement bench. That year we spent \$500 for supplies. Each year we add more: a lovely rose garden, window boxes, other smaller beds, picnic tables and chairs. It is a beautiful setting for our little shop and it is used.

One of the important benefits was expressed to me by several of the Pastoral Counselors. Their clients find their way past the shed and walk through the garden to the little house and their appointments. I was told and observed myself that as they approach, there are slumped shoulders, grim faces. As they pass through the garden, they straighten up and smile as they look around. We were commended because by the time their sessions with the counselors were done, they watched their faces brighten as they walked through our area. It has been worth the continual effort to improve and enlarge it.

Others come in for material help, after being sent by our Pastor or a local agency. I don’t keep track of how many each year, but you may remember recently learning of a woman whose home on Pearl Street burned down and she lost everything. The Red Cross gave her \$25 and a two-room, empty apartment. She was sleeping on the floor. She said she had \$18 left – what could be bought in our shop for that amount? We gave her not only clothing, but such things as an iron & board, dishes, etc. She phoned her sister who came with a car and filled it up. She was amazed and thrilled because we would not take any of her \$18. “Now I can buy a little more food,” she said. That was a very happy morning for us because of what we were able to do for her. And that was just *one* case...

We are there to earn money because there are other needs, especially by our church, that are not budgeted. Just this past week we gave ten bags of extra clothing to Planet Aid, who in return gave us a little money by weight per bag and it is donated to “The Way Home,” a local private agency which helps abused children and their mothers. We also had Bill [Hoysradt, the Treasurer] write checks for \$100 for tools for Zimbabwe and another \$100 towards Bob Popp’s favorite Church Children’s fund. We sent two carloads of work clothes to Liberty House for the Veterans to labor in, as requested.

Anne Rodman saw to it that we received a supply of Bibles requested by the Pastor of the men in the NH State Prison and some also went to Liberty House. They were very grateful. I told her we needed Bibles in Spanish in the shop and she said they would be sent shortly.

Through your generosity, we not only sell pretty dresses or an extra pair of shoes to customers, there are many ways we are able to help. So, next time you look at that extra casserole your never use, a box of men’s socks or costume jewelry, remember us. We need most everything. And please know that you make others better off and the 14 of us very happy. ♪ Penny Stillman, Co-Chair

One-Year Update from the Bylaws Committee

Your Bylaws Committee is composed of *Pastor Dawn Berry, Karen Horsch, Karyn O'Neil, Jeff Rapson, Laura Sevigny and Bob Stallard*. The Bylaws Committee is one of three initiatives undertaken as a result of our Special Congregational Meeting held on March 7, 2010. We last updated our bylaws in 1998 and started our review in June one year ago.

To begin with, we started looking at how other congregations that were thriving were organized through their bylaws. With that in mind, we sought to learn what was working well in peer congregations. We wanted to understand how their organizational success could be replicated in our congregation as we modernized our structure and related bylaws for the 21st Century. This past Fall we canvassed our then-current board members for their views on our organization and bylaws. We summarized all that data and used that to drive the questions at our recent all-board meeting and to prompt suggestions for how best to organize for the future.

More recently your Bylaws Committee met again with all the boards to explore how best to reframe our organization and bylaws in keeping with current membership trends and the input previously received. In our most recent meeting, we offered for consideration and discussion a model that we believed would address concerns about our current structure and incorporated input from other churches. The model included a streamlined set of church boards/ministries governed by a Ministry of the Whole (MOW) – similar to the current Standing and Steering Committees – that would make greater use of ad-hoc task forces and workgroups to engage the congregation in the work of the church. Our overarching goal is to build a more responsive church, where the MOW and set of board/ministries in the Mission, Christian Formation and Stewardship areas serve that goal. We want to be a church that is not content with its past success but one that has the means and organizational make-up to make it vital in the future as well.

We are in a process of evaluating all that input in the hope of building an even stronger Christian community. A more responsive and flexible Brookside is the key to engaging members and growing our ministry and mission. An improved organizational structure and supporting set of bylaws that creates a flexible culture and streamlined decision making is how we hope to achieve this goal.

As the summer unfolds, we will continue to collaborate with all the current boards, committees and laity seeking input, suggestions and feedback. Your thoughts and feedback will allow us to make recommendations to Standing and Steering for their consideration by year end. The Bylaws Committee will continue to keep you informed as our investigation and collaboration continues. Please reach out to your committee members when you have suggestions.

Peace and enjoy your summer as we move the dialog along. ☺ Jeff Rapson, Bylaws Chair



Please Note These Parish Nurse "Away" Dates

The Parish Nurse generally has hours here every week, on Thursdays from 10:00 to 11:30 am in Room D. However, she will not be here on **June 30** or **August 11**; please make a note of these dates so that you don't waste a trip. Be sure to check out the Parish Nurse bulletin board across from Room E to learn about city-wide events!

Chair Massage is available at this site, usually monthly. The cost is \$10 for 15 minutes. Benefits are improved circulation, relaxed muscles, relief of body tension and improved flexibility. To reserve a chair massage time (9:30-11:30) for **July 7** and/or **August 4**, call the Parish Nurse office at **663-8004**.

If You're Hospitalized...

Remember to call the church office (**669-2807**) if you want the pastor to know that you're in the hospital. Due to federal law, hospitals are not permitted to provide us with this information.



Donoghue Family Grateful for Sam's Safe Return

*To Dawn and the Brookside Congregation:
Sam and all of 2nd Recon Battalion returned to Camp Lejeune, NC on June 12. Please accept our deep thanks for the extraordinary, prayerful support you have provided these last seven months. Karen and I are grateful for Sam's safe return, as we hold in our prayers the families of those in his unit who were killed. How painful it must be for them, this home-coming that is so celebrative for us.*

*Gratefully,
Bill*



Recent Losses Affect Brookside Family

Our condolences go to Brookside member Suzanne Pyszka and family after the May 26 death of her father, Dr. Philip G. Page, in Lancaster.

Robert Popp died May 30, survived by his wife Vange, five children, and several grand- and great-grandchildren. A Brookside member since 1990, Bob was active in his church, as well as New Horizons for New Hampshire, the Salvation Army, American Cancer Society and the VA Medical Center. His memorial service, officiated by Pastor Dawn, was held at Brookside Church; we hold the Popp family in our prayers.

Thank You from the Popp Family

The family of Bob Popp would like to express our deep appreciation to so many, for so much. Words cannot adequately express how much the Brookside community meant to Bob through the years, and over the past year it was evident that he meant a lot to all of you. On his behalf we thank you for the many cards and letters; caroling at the nursing home by the youth group and adult choir members; for companionship and fellowship; those who helped and contributed desserts for the memorial reception; the hand-made prayer shawl, and for the many prayers with, and for, Bob. For those who were unable to attend his Memorial Service on June 4th, the following is reprinted from the bulletin insert:

THANK YOU

On Easter Sunday, my father was able to attend church after his medical issues demanded a nine month hiatus. At the beginning of the service, along with her other announcements, Pastor Berry said, "...and Bob Popp made it here for Easter." The church burst into vigorous and unexpected applause bringing tears to my father's eyes. Each time my father recalled that moment, and he often did, he would tear up, lower his head and say, "that was so humbling." That moment and so many others brought the greatest joy to my father and to our family.

On his behalf, thank you all for your prayers, your friendship and your love, and for what may have been the most humbling and joyous moment in my father's life.

May God bless you all, in every way, always,
The Popp Family

Staff Vacation Schedules This Summer

Pastor Dawn:	July 1 through 10 September 6 through 22
Fran Hakenson:	July 17 through August 7
Kim Whitehead:	Sundays July 17 & 24, August 14
Nicole Grinnell:	July 11 through 15 August 1 through 5

Chronicle Deadline = August 13 for the September Issue

Enjoy your summer, but please make a note to look ahead to September plans and send along any pertinent information for the September *Chronicle* by **Saturday, August 13**. You can send it by snail mail, e-mail it to: nicoleg@brooksideecc.org, or deliver it in person. Thanks.

Babblings by the Brookside

From the collection of, and in tribute to, Bob Popp:

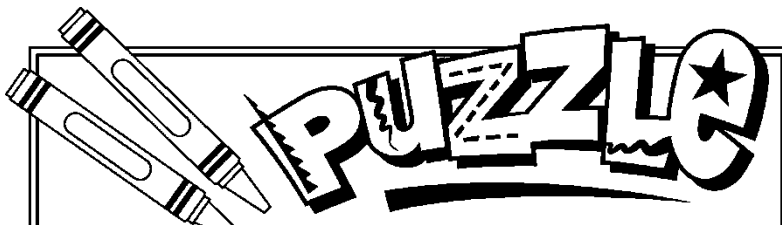
My life shall touch a dozen lives before this day is through.
And each shall be affected by what I say and do.
It is my wish, it is my prayer, to live in such a way.
My life will help those other lives it contacts every day.

Faithful Stewards Corner

Our thanks to:

- *Bobbie Auger* for the delicious cakes on Confirmation Sunday and Music Sunday
- *Stephanie Strandson* for substituting in the nursery
- *Jean Dickson, Fran Hakenson, Nancy Lachance, Pete Lovejoy, Calley & Sienna Milne* and *Mary Pratt* for helping clean the nursery
- *Melody Witcher* for her generosity and friendship with our Sakubva family
- *Joe Lachance*, our BBQ griller extraordinaire
- *Art Morehead* for the PGM bushes
- *Oscar Coronado* for the new garden hose
- *Tom Wright* for his donation of *Love Wins: A Book about Heaven, Hell, and the Fate of Every Person who Ever Lived*, by Rob Bell
- Folks who provided goodies for Fellowship Hour over the past several months: *Becky Boisvert, Falco Family, Granite Pathways, Fran Hakenson, Edilia King, Calley Milne, Jeff Rapson, Shirley Richardson*

If any Board or committees have someone to mention for the “Faithful Stewards Corner,” send their names into Pastor Dawn by the 13th of each month for the Chronicle.



Freedom in Christ

This Independence Day, remember that our true freedom comes from faith in Jesus.

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Directions: In each set of letters, determine the pattern. Then write the letter that completes the pattern, to reveal Galatians 5:1, niv.

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Answers: It is for freedom that Christ has set us free. (Galatians 5:1, niv)



PATRIOTIC PARFAIT

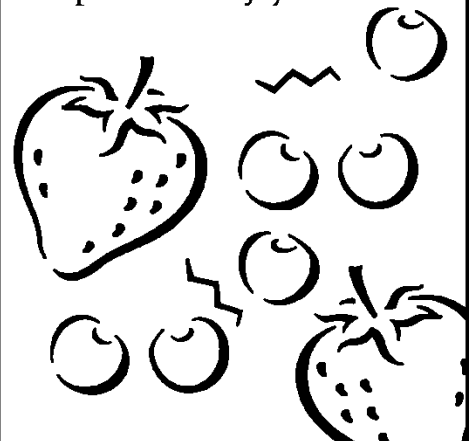
On the 4th of July, make this healthy, festive dessert to share with family and friends.

What you need:

- Clear glasses or plastic cups
- Spoons
- Vanilla yogurt
- Cut strawberries
- Fresh blueberries
- Coconut, whipped cream, red and blue sprinkles (optional)

What you do:

1. Place a couple of spoonfuls of vanilla yogurt at the bottom of each glass or cup.
2. Add cut strawberries to cover the yogurt layer.
3. Add more yogurt over the strawberries.
4. Add a layer of blueberries.
5. Repeat the layers until you reach the top of the glass or cup.
6. For extra fun, add coconut, whipped cream and sprinkles. Enjoy!





action-packed faith

The greatest "super men" who ever lived put their faith into action.

Directions: Match each Bible character to the correct description.

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| Noah | 1. This disciple wrote a gospel, recounting many events in Jesus' life. |
| Stephen | 2. This man responded to God's commands, including the order to move. God made many promises to this man and his descendants. |
| Abraham | 3. This man was eager to rebuild Jerusalem. He helped the people protect their city, reminding them that God was on their side. |
| Luke | 4. This man, who became king of Judah at a young age, obeyed God's laws and helped people repent. |
| Nehemiah | 5. God saved this honest, hard-working man from destruction by having him build a place of safety for his family and every kind of creature. |
| Josiah | 6. This man stood by God's Word, showing strength of character even when faced with persecution and death. |

On the lines below, write your name and describe how you're a "hero" for God. What are some ways you put your faith into action?

Name: _____

Answers: Noah 5, Stephen 6, Abraham 3, Josiah 4, Nehemiah 5, Luke 1, Luke 2, Nehemiah 3, Josiah 4.



HERO Sandwich

To celebrate the Bible's many heroes, make this sandwich for a picnic.

What you need:

- An adult to help
- Shredded lettuce
- Olive oil and vinegar
- Seasonings (salt, pepper, oregano)
- Italian crusty bread (six inches per person)
- Mayonnaise
- Sliced meat
- Sliced cheese
- Sliced tomato
- Construction paper
- Scissors
- Pencil
- Toothpicks
- Tape



What you do:

1. Drizzle shredded lettuce with oil and vinegar; sprinkle with seasonings.
2. Cut bread in half lengthwise and spread mayo on both halves.
3. On bottom half, layer meats, cheese, tomato and lettuce.
4. Top with other half of bread. Cut in half.
5. Cut paper into small triangles. Write your favorite Bible heroes' names on them.
6. Tape the triangles to toothpicks to make pennants. Stick in sandwich halves. Enjoy!

Bible Readings for July and August

Each issue of the *Chronicle* features monthly Bible readings, so that you can read and reflect on your own, at a time that suits you best. Following are the texts from the Lectionary for this summer.



July 3 – Rev. Fran Hakenson preaching
 Hebrew Scriptures Gen. 24:34-38, 42-49, 58-67
 Psalm 45:10-17
 Christian Testament Romans 7:15-25a
 Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

July 10 – Rev. Joyce Lovejoy preaching
 Hebrew Scriptures Genesis 25:19-34
 Psalm 119:105-112
 Christian Testament Romans 8:1-11
 Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

July 17
 Hebrew Scriptures Genesis 28:10-19a
 Psalm 139:1-12, 23-24
 Christian Testament Romans 8:12-25
 Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

July 24
 Hebrew Scriptures Genesis 29:15-28
 Psalm 105:1-11, 45b
 Christian Testament Romans 8:26-39
 Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

July 31
 Hebrew Scriptures Genesis 32:22-31
 Psalm 17:1-7, 15
 Christian Testament Romans 9:1-5
 Matthew 14:13-21

August 7
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 Christian Testament Romans 10:5-15
 Matthew 14:22-33

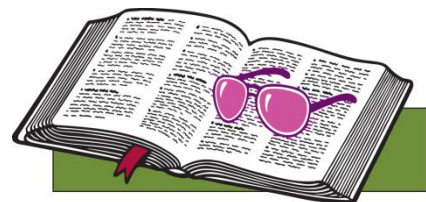
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 Christian Testament Romans 12:1-8
 Matthew 16:13-20

August 28
 Hebrew Scriptures Exodus 3:1-15
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 Christian Testament Romans 12:9-21
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READERS	
July 3 Debi Rapson	July 10 Herb Pence
July 17 Anne Rodman	July 24 Sis Dunn
July 31 Roger Sevigny	
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August 7 Herb Pence	August 14 Catherine Wentz
August 21 Denise Forest	August 28 Laura Sevigny

<p>STATEMENT OF PURPOSE</p> <p>The objective of <i>The Brookside Chronicle</i> 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.</p> <p>The <i>Chronicle</i> 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.</p>
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CE PERSON OF THE WEEK

July 3 Peter Lovejoy **July 10**

July 17 Ed Mitchell **July 24** Kira Morehouse

July 31
Robin Davison
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August 7 **August 14**

August 21 Peter Lovejoy **August 28** Ashtyn Milling

DEACONS OF THE WEEK

July 3 Jeff Fletcher Joycelovejoy **July 10** Kathleen Dube Chris Taylor

July 17 Chris Taylor Laura Sevigny **July 24** Joyce Lovejoy Jeff Rapson

July 31
Jeff Rapson
Denise Forest
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August 7 Denise Forest Joycelovejoy **August 14** Scott Milne Dale Trombley

August 21 Dale Trombley Mary Pratt **August 28** Mary Pratt Jeff Fletcher

THANKS FOR VOLUNTEERING!!

USHERS

July 3 Martha Cushing Jean Mijal Julie Worthington **July 10** Erin LaPorte Ashtyn Milling Joyce Stantial

July 17 Dale Trombley Joe Forest Denise Forest **July 24** Joe Lachance Sarah Merrill Bob Merrill

July 31
Rand Cayer
Tom Cleary
Megan Cleary
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More needed for August...How about YOU?!

August 7 Matt Dube **August 14** Colin Fletcher

August 21 Joe Lachance Julie Worthington **August 28** Dawn Brockett Megan Brockett

TRUSTEE OF THE WEEK

July 3 Cindy Watts **July 10** Dave Migliori

July 17 Dennis Giguere **July 24** Tricia Lucas

July 31
Greg Berry
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August 7 Steve Ferranti **August 14** Gail Goodman

August 21 Cindy Watts **August 28** Dawn Brockett

Fellowship Hour Schedule

Monthly hosts for Fellowship Hour are:

- **July:** Diaconate Board
- **Aug:** Called to Care
- **Sept:** Diaconate Board



Financial Update, In a Nutshell...

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 May 31, 2011			
<u>Actual vs. Budget</u>			
Month	Actual	Budget	Var.
Total Income	27,498	25,765	1,733
Total Expenses	26,879	28,238	(1,360)
Net Gain (Loss)	619	(2,474)	3,093
Year-to-date	Actual	Budget	Var.
Total Income	151,989	140,273	11,716
Total Expenses	133,196	133,774	(578)
Net Gain (Loss)	18,793	6,499	12,294
Total YTD Pledges	Actual	Pledges	Var.
	75,580	74,908	672

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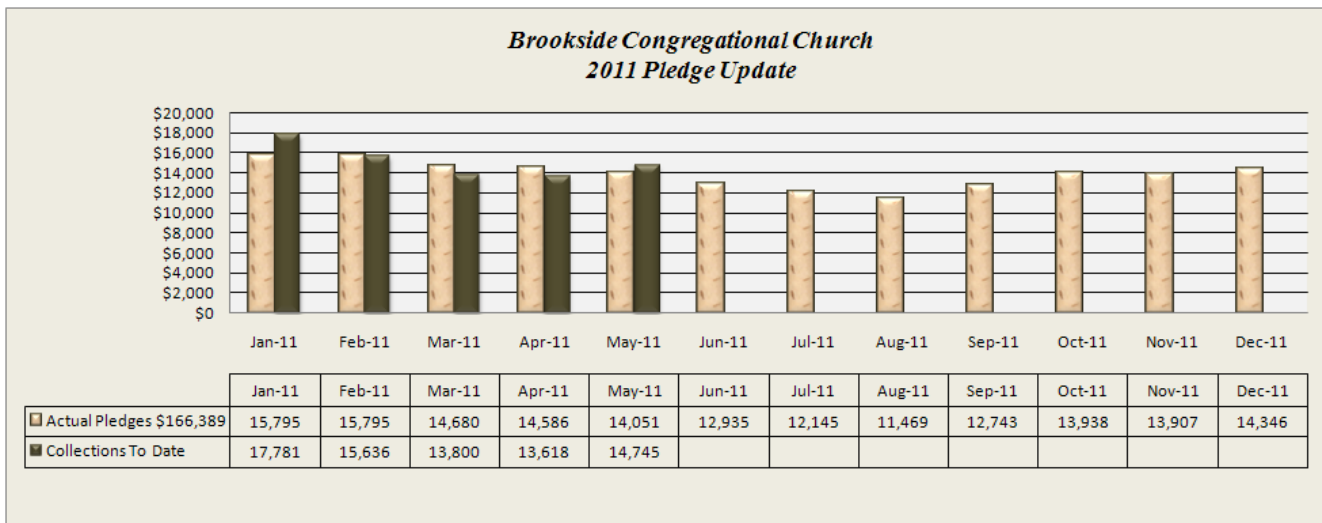
Please remember that the pastor is frequently called away, or may have other commitments during the day. It is best to call first if you need to speak with her.

~ Note: see Vacation Schedule on Page 10 ~

Note from the Treasurer

As summer approaches, however *slowly*, I hope that as you all enjoy your break from our usual hectic routines, you will remember that our Church staff continues to chug along making sure all our needs are met. There are still payroll expenses to cover as well as most of our normal operating expenses. I offer a gentle reminder to please remember to keep your pledges up to date during the summer months so we will be able to meet all of our obligations.

Thank you, and enjoy! ~ Gail








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July, 2011	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><i>Vacation Notes:</i> Pastor Dawn is away July 1 thru 10 Nicole is away July 11 thru 15 Fran is away July 17 thru August 7 Kim is away July 17 & 24, Aug. 14</p>					1 <i>(Dawn away July 1 thru 10)</i>	2 9:00 am Thrift Shop
3 10:00 am Worship (Communion; <i>Loaves & Fishes</i>) Rev. Fran Hakenson preaching	4 <i>Building Closed for Independence Day</i> 	5 5:30 pm Stewardship Comm.	6 10:30 am Children's Story Hour	7 9:00 am Thrift Shop 9:30 am Chair Massage 10:00 am Parish Nurse	8	9 9:00 am Thrift Shop
10 10:00 am Worship Rev. Joyce Lovejoy preaching 11:30 am <i>Ones in Friendship Group</i>	11 Noon "Hearts & Hands" craft group 1:30 pm Service at Evergreen Place	12 11:00 am Iced Tea w/Pastor Dawn	13 10:30 am Children's Story Hour	14 9:00 am Thrift Shop 10:00 am Parish Nurse	15 <i>Pastor's Day Off (PDO)</i>	16 9:00 am Thrift Shop
17 10:00 am Worship	18 Noon "Hearts & Hands" craft group	19 11:00 am Iced Tea w/Pastor Dawn	20 10:30 am Children's Story Hour	21 9:00 am Thrift Shop 10:00 am Parish Nurse 5:30 pm Wedding Rehearsal	22 <i>(PDO)</i> 5:00 pm Family Movie Night & Pot Luck	23 9:00 am Thrift Shop 5:30 pm Wedding
24 10:00 am Worship	25 Noon "Hearts & Hands" craft group 6:00 pm Women's Union Officers	26 11:00 am Iced Tea w/Pastor Dawn	27 10:30 am Children's Story Hour	28 9:00 am Thrift Shop 10:00 am Parish Nurse	29 <i>(PDO)</i>	30 9:00 am Thrift Shop
31 10:00 am Worship 11:30 am Diaconate Board meets			<p>➔ Note: <i>Generally, only church-related activities are listed here; however, be aware that many outside groups use space in our facility on a regular basis, as well.</i></p> <p><i>A full calendar of events is available on our website, www.brooksidecc.org; click to any page and find the link on the left side.</i></p>			

August, 2011	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><i>Vacation Notes:</i> <i>Fran is away thru August 7</i> <i>Nicole is away August 1 thru 5</i> <i>Kim is away August 14</i></p>	1 Noon “Hearts & Hands” craft group	2 11:00 am Iced Tea w/Pastor Dawn	3 10:30 am Children’s Story Hour	4 9:00 am Thrift Shop 9:30 am Chair Massage 10:00 am Parish Nurse	5 <i>Pastor’s Day Off (PDO)</i> 5:00 pm Wedding Rehearsal	6 9:00 am Thrift Shop 5:30 pm Wedding
7 10:00 am Worship (Communion; Loaves & Fishes) 11:30 am Ones in Friendship Group	8 Noon “Hearts & Hands” craft group 1:30 pm Service at Evergreen Place	9 11:00 am Iced Tea w/Pastor Dawn 6:00 pm Trustees	10 	11 9:00 am Thrift Shop NO Parish Nurse	12 <i>PDO</i>	13 9:00 am Thrift Shop <u>CHRONICLE DEADLINE</u>
14 10:00 am Worship	15 Noon “Hearts & Hands” craft group	16 11:00 am Iced Tea w/Pastor Dawn 7:00 pm Outreach Board	17 6:00 pm Christian Ed. Board	18 9:00 am Thrift Shop 10:00 am Parish Nurse	19 <i>PDO</i> 5:00 pm Wedding Rehearsal	20 9:00 am Thrift Shop 4:00 pm Wedding
21 10:00 am Worship 11:30 am Zimbabwe Phone Call	22 11:00 am Full Staff Meeting Noon “Hearts & Hands” craft group	23 11:00 am Iced Tea w/Pastor Dawn 6:00 pm Maintenance Comm. 7:00 pm Standing Comm.	24 	25 9:00 am Thrift Shop 10:00 am Parish Nurse	26 <i>PDO</i> 5:00 pm Family Movie Night and Pot Luck 5:30 pm Wedding Rehearsal	27 9:00 am Thrift Shop 3:00 pm Wedding
28 10:00 am Worship	29 Noon “Hearts & Hands” craft group	30 11:00 am Iced Tea w/Pastor Dawn 4:15 p.m. Vol. to New Horizons	<p>➔ <i>Note: Generally, only church-related activities are listed here; however, be aware that many outside groups use space in our facility on a regular basis, as well.</i></p> <p><i>A full calendar of events is available on our website, www.brooksideecc.org; click to any page and find the link on the left side.</i></p>			