

May 6, 2025

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**BROOKSIDE**  
Congregational Church



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# The Brookside Bridge

## *Keeping You Connected*

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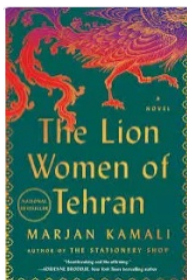


### Minister's Message

Good Shepherd Sunday happens to coincide with Mother's Day this year. The psalmist refers to God as a compassionate, comforting, and protective shepherd. Many mothers live by these three qualities. Join us for music praising God for a peaceful world filled with green pastures and calm waters. Our youth art project is titled "Saving Grace" with a look at the life of oysters.

If you are at all inclined to join the book group conversation about "The Lion Women of Tehran" please let Louise know today. Even if you can only start the book, I am sure the conversation will be fascinating.

Sincerely,  
Rev. Laura



### Rev. Laura's Spring Book Group - Thursday!

On **Thursday, May 8 at 6:00 pm** the "Brookside Bookers" will be discussing the book "The Lion Women of Tehran". Join us for a fascinating discussion led by Rev. Laura. To register, please send your name and email to the [office](#).

**\*\* If you haven't received the Zoom link by Wednesday, please contact the office.**

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# JOIN US FOR BROOKSIDE'S SPRING CLEAN-UP

SATURDAY, MAY 10<sup>TH</sup> 9 AM – 1 PM (RAIN DATE IS MAY 17<sup>TH</sup> SAME TIME)

BRING YOUR GARDENING GLOVES & YOUR FAVORITE RAKE

PIZZA PROVIDED AT 12:30 PM



QUESTIONS: CONTACT DALE TROMBLEY 603-491-3491



## All-Church Potluck Picnic!

Join us on **Sunday, June 15th**, on the Manning House Lawn- it's great to be together! Food, fellowship, and fun await after worship. We will also be taking an all-church photo. Stewardship will provide meats, a vegan option, and drinks.

Families/individuals with last names A - M please bring a side dish to share, and families/individuals with last names N - Z please bring a dessert to share!





## Brookside Summer Activity Kits to Support Children and Youth

Working with our Community Partners - Waypoint: ages 12-25, AHS/CHS: children & families, CAPHR (formerly SNHS): preschool & families

Help us pack string bags on **Sunday, June 15**, during the All Church Picnic (bags will be provided).

### Donations received April 27 through June 14

Items to fill 10 bags for young children: bubbles, chalk, crayons, coloring books/activity pads, balls, water toys, building blocks, socks, sunscreen

Items to fill 10 bags for school-aged children: art supplies, books, colored chalk, water bottles, notebooks, toothpaste/brushes, water toys, balls, personal care items, sunscreen

Items to fill 10 bags for 12 to 25-year-olds: notebooks, pencils/pens/crayons/markers, books, socks, water bottles, personal care items, combs/brushes, sunscreen

**Non-perishable food is always helpful, too. Peanut butter, Tuna, Cereal, Shelf-safe Snacks**



### After Worship Fellowship

Please join us after Sunday worship for Fellowship! Following indoor worship, we meet in Fellowship Hall. It's a great way to get to learn more about the happenings at Brookside and build relationships with your fellow Brooksideers. All are welcome!



### Send In Your Prayer Requests

Please remember to send in your prayers for our Sunday service. (joys and concerns) Email your request to [admin@brooksidecc.org](mailto:admin@brooksidecc.org) or call the office at 669-2807.

### Gals On The Go

Join us for an informal fellowship for members and friends of Brookside on the **first Tuesday of the month at 11:45 am** at the Granite State Lunchbox, 1750 Elm St., rear entrance. Come enjoy lunch, fellowship, and discussion.



### No Green Bananas

This group of retired Brookside men meets on the **2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month at 9 am** at the Granite State Lunchbox, 1750 Elm St., rear entrance, to enjoy breakfast and discussion.

### Pastor's Discretionary Fund

Please consider a donation to the Pastor's Discretionary Fund so



that Rev. Laura can assist our members and friends facing critical financial needs.

## Supporting Brookside Congregational Church

Offerings and pledges can be mailed to the Church office at the address below. If you would like to give online, please click on the button below.

[Donate Here](#)



## Do You Need Medical Equipment?

Did you know that Brookside has a Medical Equipment Closet? There are crutches, canes, shower chairs, and more, available for use by anyone who needs them. Borrow for short-term or long-term use, keep as long as you need to. Contact the office **(603-669-2807)** for more information.

**\*\*\*Currently we are not accepting donations.**

## BROOKSIDE CALENDAR

**Thursday, May 8th**  
6:00 pm Spring Book  
Study via Zoom

**Sunday, May 11th**  
8:30 am Choir Rehearsal,  
Sanctuary  
10:00 am Worship Service,  
Sanctuary

**Tuesday, May 13th**  
8:00 am Staff Meeting,  
Rev. Laura's Office  
9:00 am No Green  
Bananas, Granite State  
Lunchbox

**Sunday, May 18th**  
8:30 am Choir Rehearsal,  
Sanctuary  
10:00 am Worship Service,  
Sanctuary

**Tuesday, May 20th**  
8:00 am Staff Meeting,  
Rev. Laura's Office  
6:00 am COM meeting, via  
Zoom

**Sunday, May 25th**  
8:30 am Choir Rehearsal,  
Sanctuary  
10:00 am Worship Service,  
Sanctuary

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