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Minister's Message

The snow is falling as I write this message. I hope you are able to stay warm and safe. This Sunday's theme begins with Jesus Calling the Disciples. The experience of being known, before being introduced, softens the heart of Nathaniel who we meet sitting under a fig tree, praying. Jesus knows him by heart. Allowing ourselves to be known by God is an endless journey of coming to know ourselves. Spiritual Art will begin after a children's message. I look forward to being with you.

Sincerely,
Rev. Laura

Lenten Adult Education

Rev. Laura is leading a Lenten book group starting Thursday, February 22 on Thursdays at 6:00 pm through Thursday, March 21. (no study on March 7) The book we are reading is The Extraordinary Life of Sam Hell by Robert Dugoni.

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CALL TO ANNUAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the Annual Meeting of Brookside Congregational Church, United Church of Christ, of Manchester, New Hampshire will be held in Fellowship Hall on Sunday, January 28, 2024, at 11:15 am. Church members may participate in person or virtually using the Zoom link provided below.

This meeting is called for the following purposes:

1. To receive and act upon the budget and the reports of its minister and officers.
2. To elect officers and ministry members for the forthcoming term.
3. To discuss calling Rev. Laura Biddle as our settled minister
4. To consider and transact other business as it may legally come before the meeting

Childcare, soups, salad, and refreshments will be available.

Respectfully submitted

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85214648505?pwd=S2doNzRnV2J0Y2ITc3hzMk16TjN2Zz09>

Meeting ID: 852 1464 8505

Passcode: 623394

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2024 Stewardship Pledge Campaign

84% of the way to our goal! We make this very personal and important decision to give because we believe in Brookside's mission and vision. As stewards of the church, we must ensure that our amazing property with vast grounds and historic buildings is maintained. We have an incredible staff and a very dedicated minister that need to be compensated, as well as, various administrative, mission, and program costs. Pledge money is critical for the success of Brookside as it makes up the largest source of revenue for the church.

Please consider a pledge commitment for 2024. Complete the Pledge Certificate you received in the mail or donate through the website.

Let's work together to hit the high note!!

Blessings,

Your Stewardship Ministry

Interfaith Women of New Hampshire - Thursday, February 1, 6:30 pm

The IWNH mid-winter Program will be held in the sanctuary at Brookside Congregational Church, UCC.

Stories Behind the Music - presented in-person and streamed on Facebook Live through the Interfaith Women of NH Facebook page

- Kim Clark and the Brookside Ringers will share the uplifting joy of handbells
- Susan Wilkes will present Christian hymns through heart-infused sounds of flute & guitar
- Nilufer Saribas and Dilara Alperen will demonstrate live Ebru art together from the Muslim faith
- Shira Nafshi, Cantor of Temple Beth Jacob, Concord NH, will warm our hearts through Jewish song

We look forward to an evening of auditory and visual representation of the stories behind our use of music and art within our faith-based worship. Join us for social time and refreshments after the program.

Thursday, February 1, 2024 at 6:30 pm. Check-in begins at 6:00.

Please respect everyone's individual choice for masking.

TO REGISTER: email interfaithwomennh@gmail.com or call 603-233-7760

Visit our website: interfaithwomennh.org to learn more about us.



After Worship Fellowship Hour

Please join us after Sunday worship for Fellowship Hour! Following indoor worship, we meet in the Narthex. 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 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, ground floor 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.

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 **(669-2807)** for more information.

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

BROOKSIDE CALENDAR

Sunday, January 21st
10:00 am Worship Service,
Sanctuary

Tuesday, January 23rd
8:00 am Staff Meeting, via
Zoom

Thursday, January 25th
5:45 pm Brookside Ringers, Music
Room
6:45 pm Brookside Singers,
Sanctuary

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