



# The Brookside Bridge

## Keeping You Connected



### Minister's Message

Holy Week invites us to take a journey with our beloved friend, who we know will die. Each day as we get closer to the cross, God is reminding us that Jesus sees us, understands us, and loves us. We are his Beloved Community that leans on one another when times are tough. One of the readings for this week is Psalm 116:1-4: *"I love Christ because he has heard my voice and my supplications. Because he inclined his ear to me, therefore I will call on him as long as I live. The snares of death encompassed me; I suffered distress and anguish. Then I called on Jesus, praying: Save My Life!"* Please join the Tenebrae Drama Group and me on Maundy Thursday at 7:00 pm. Our service begins with Communion and moves through the story of people who **Followed Jesus in the Shadows**.

Easter Sunday begins with preludes from the Nottingham Brass at 9:30 am. We will all gather in the Garden of Gethsemane as we embark on the journey from the Empty Tomb to Resurrection. This is a great Sunday to invite neighbors and friends to Brookside. Our unique Easter service is inclusive of all ages, abilities, and faith traditions. Each year, our cross becomes a sign for the community that Jesus Christ is Risen Today.

Sincerely yours,  
Rev. Laura

### Maundy Thursday

**April 2 at 7:00 pm** gather for a reading of "Following Jesus in the Shadows," a script written by Rev. Laura. This dramatic experience includes Holy Communion and storytelling from people who loved Jesus and were present at his crucifixion.

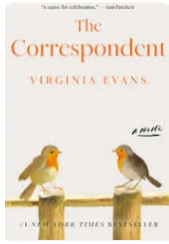


### Easter

On **Sunday, April 5**, come to the garden where you will see the empty cross. During our worship service, we will journey towards the resurrection made visible by placing flowers on the cross. This colorful transformation from emptiness to fullness symbolizes that Jesus Christ is risen today. The Nottingham

Brass will join us as the whole community sings the Alleluia Chorus together. An Easter egg hunt will follow for grades 3 and under.

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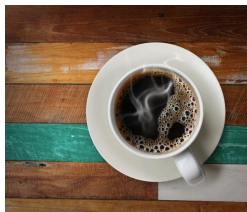
### Book Group

Join Rev. Laura for a riveting discussion of *The Correspondent* on **Tuesday, May 26, at 6:00 pm** on Zoom. To register, please email the [office](#). A Zoom link will be sent out to participants the week before the group meets.

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### After Worship Fellowship

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

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### Send In Your Prayer Requests

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

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### 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.

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### 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.

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### 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.



### 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, April 2nd  
7:30 am Capital Campaign Mtg., via Zoom  
7:00 pm Maundy Thursday Dramatic Reading, Sanctuary

Sunday, April 5th  
8:30 am Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary  
10:00 am Worship, Sanctuary  
11:00 am Easter Egg Hunt, Manning House Lawn

Tuesday, April 7th  
9:00 am Staff Meeting, Rev. Laura's office  
11:45 am Gals on the Go, Granite State Lunchbox  
6:00 pm Christian Formation Meeting, via Zoom

Thursday, April 9th  
7:30 am Capital Campaign Mtg., via Zoom

Sunday, April 12th  
8:30 am Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary  
10:00 am Worship, Sanctuary

Tuesday, April 14th  
9:00 am Staff Meeting, Rev. Laura's office  
9:00 am No Green Bananas, Granite State Lunchbox  
5:30 pm Building & Grounds, via Zoom  
6:00 pm Stewardship, via Zoom

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