

June 16, 2026



The Brookside Bridge

Keeping You Connected

Summer Worship

Starting **Sunday, June 21**, worship will begin at **9:00 am** in the sanctuary and continue through Sunday, September 6, with outdoor worship and the Blessing of the Animals.

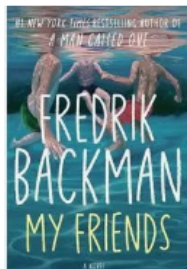


Minister's Message

On Sunday, as we celebrate Father's Day together, our Psalms invite us to focus on prayer. When do we turn to God in prayer? How do we pray? I'll be referring to a beautiful prayer book by John O'Donohue titled "To Bless the Space Between Us."

Our summer guest musicians begin next week with Chris Bonoli and Roy D'Innocenzo offering "Wade in the Water," a Gospel song about God's attention to our prayers for freedom and peace.

Worship begins at 9:00 am. Please join me.
Rev. Laura



Summer Book Group - Tuesday, August 25 at 6:00 pm on Zoom

This writer is extraordinary. He has captured relationships between friends, both living and dead, with a stroke of genius. We meet characters of all ages as we learn something about the joy of making art with all of its depth, creativity, and spontaneity. Fredrik Backman's book, *My Friends*, is a great summer read and will be a fascinating foundation for our discussion. To register, please contact [Louise](#) by August 17.

Women's Spirituality Retreat

Friday, October 30 - Sunday, November 1, 2026 - Waterville, NH

Inviting all Brookside women to join us for a weekend at the lovely home of Judi & Ed Mitchell in the White Mountains, building community, exploring nature, and deepening our faith by delving deeper into the life of Mary Magdalene.

The retreat will run from Friday evening, with a potluck dinner at 6:30 pm, to midday Sunday. The cost will be \$150 per person.



For additional information or to **RSVP by July 1st** or direct questions to: Dorice Reitchel (dodiesrepurposed@gmail.com) or Sarah Duffley (duffleytaylor@gmail.com)

**Brookside Congregational Church
Youth Troupe Summer Camp**



July 27 - 31

**FREE 1-week performing arts day camp
for kids ages 6* - 13!**

*Children must be able to read fluently at 1st grade level

Register at:



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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 Brooksidiers. 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, 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

Tuesday, June 16th
9:00 am Staff Meeting, Rev. Laura's office
6:00 pm COM Meeting, via Zoom

Thursday, June 18th
7:30 am Capital Campaign Mtg., via Zoom

Sunday, June 21st
9:00 am Worship, Sanctuary
10:00 am Fellowship

Tuesday, June 23rd
9:00 am Staff Meeting, Rev. Laura's office
9:00 am No Green Bananas, Granite State Lunchbox

Thursday, June 25th
7:30 am Capital Campaign Mtg., via Zoom

Sunday, June 28th
9:00 am Worship, Sanctuary
10:00 am Fellowship

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