

BROOKSIDE

Congregational Church



The Brookside Bridge

Keeping You Connected



Minister's Message

Combining the themes of Epiphany, with a celebration of the ministry of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. makes for an exciting worship service. This Sunday, our music will reflect both themes, as will the prayers and message. During Holy Communion, we'll have time to reflect on all that is happening in our lives and in the world. Kids will learn about the Magi through the lens of discovering something about the many scientists who have changed the world. I am looking forward to seeing you on Sunday.

After our worship service, we will gather in Fellowship Hall to share the King Cakes.

Sincerely,
Rev. Laura

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

Child Sponsorship

Mission Ministry is excited to welcome a new child to our long history of sponsoring two (2) children from around the world on an annual basis. Brookside currently sponsors 9-

year-old Eben Gulo from Indonesia. We have provided sponsorship for Eben for the past 3 years and receive quarterly updates, including letters from Eben. Our child from Zimbabwe (Praise Mupaahlwe) turned 18 and aged out of the Global Ministries Child & Elders Program in November. Our new child is a 6-year-old boy from Haiti. Ryan Pierre lives with his parents (day workers) and a sister in an urban area. He attends school from 7:00 am to 1:00 pm, likes to draw and sing songs, and wants to know if the people of Brookside like animals.

Look for information about Eben and Ryan on the bulletin board near the church office. If you are interested in being part of a pen pal group for either of these young boys, please contact anyone on Mission 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.

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

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

BROOKSIDE CALENDAR

Thursday, January 11th
5:45 pm Brookside Ringers,
Music Room
6:45 Brookside Singers,
Sanctuary

Sunday, January 14th
8:45 Brookside Singers
Rehearsal, Sanctuary
10:00 am Worship Service,
Sanctuary
11:00 am Wee Singers, Art
Room
11:00 am Junior Jammers,
Sanctuary

Tuesday, January 16th
6:00 pm COM Meeting, via Zoom

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