

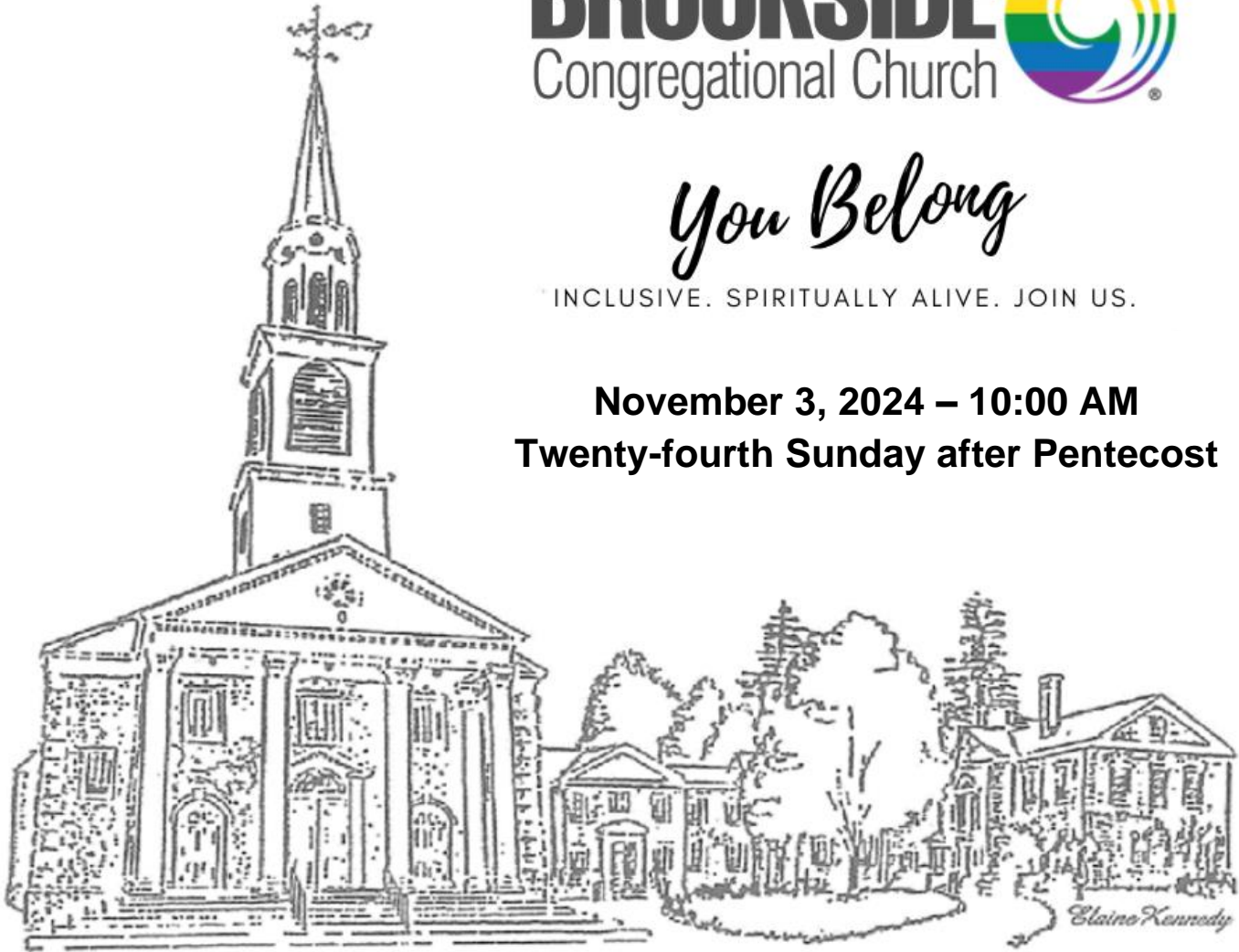
BROOKSIDE
Congregational Church



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INCLUSIVE. SPIRITUALLY ALIVE. JOIN US.

November 3, 2024 – 10:00 AM
Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost



Rev. Laura Biddle, Minister

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As you enter today, please give Rev. Laura your names for the candle lighting.
Youth go directly to Youth Troupe.
*Please Stand

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The **flowers** this morning are given by Chris Taylor, Sarah Duffley, Naomi, Lydia, and Jaelani in memory of their Daughter and Sister Phoebe Johanna, Born Still on Nov. 7, 2009 and for all Babies Loved, Lost and Remembered.

PRELUDE *Alpha and Omega; Erasmus Mutambira*

GREETING

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: As we prepare to honor our Saints with songs, reflections, and candles, let's be aware of our neighbors and friends who have come to worship with us today.

People: Everyone has experienced loss. Everyone has a story about someone they love who has died.

Leader: Take heart fellow Christians. We are not alone in our grief. God is with us always, promising love everlasting.

People: Each of us has chosen a place here, where we are seen and can be honest with Jesus. His death on the cross reminds us that he is risen.

Leader: May our hearts and minds be open to the presence of the Holy Spirit living among us.

OPENING PRAYER

Rev. Laura

During this time of worship O God, we surrender to your warm embrace. Trusting that the people we love who have died are wrapped in your arms, we believe in your promise that love never dies. Teach us to have faith in your peace that surpasses our understanding. Join us we pray, for this sacred ceremony of communion and candle lighting. AMEN

*HYMN

For the Healing of the Nations

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SCRIPTURE

John 11:32-44

Karen Content

When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died."

When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?" Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

SERMON

Tiny Rituals

Rev. Laura Biddle

ANTHEM

Holy, Holy, Holy

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God for all that love has done:

Creator, Christ, and Spirit One.

SACRAMENT OF ALL SAINTS AND HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION

LITANY OF SAINTS

LORDS PRAYER

BREAKING OF BREAD - Please come forward to light a candle and receive communion.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

*HYMN

For All the Saints

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BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Somewhere Out There

Deacon of the Week: Amara VanAmburg

Reader: Karen Content

Spirit Squad: Tanuma Family

Livestream Driver: Dale Trombley

Sound: Peter VanAmburg

 *Please Remember in Prayer* 

Cliff and Martha Church

Anne Lachance

Donna Leavell

Bob Nenni

Anna O'Donnell

Rachel

Stacy

Brookside's sponsor children: Eben Gulo and Praise Mupaahlwa
~ Sakubva Church, UCC – the center candle celebrates our
Ukama Partnership since 1996 ~



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Manning House Tour

Bill Hoysradt will be offering a tour of the historic Manning House after the service today. Please meet him at the front of the sanctuary.

Neighbors in Need Offering

Throughout the month of November, all of us at Brookside have the opportunity to participate in the 2024 UCC Neighbors in Need offering.

The 2024 UCC Neighbors in Need theme “Mental Health Justice for All: Mental Health is a Universal Human Right” provides us with an opportunity to re-ignite our efforts to build a more justice world for all, dismantling the shame and stigma of mental health challenges.

The UCC invites us to be part of God’s work of mental health justice, join the WISE (Welcoming, Inclusive, Supportive, and Engaged) movement for mental health in our congregation and support the Neighbors in Need offering. .

Donations for this special offering may be made via the DONATE button at Brooksidecc.org/donate or through Special offering envelopes located in at all church entrances.

For the Healing of the Nations

Fred Kaan, 1965

1 For the heal - ing of the na - tions, God, we pray with
 2 Lead us for - ward in - to free - dom; from de - spair your
 3 All that kills a - bun - dant liv - ing, let it from the
 4 You, Cre - a - tor God, have writ - ten your great name on

one ac - cord; for a just and e - qual shar - ing
 world re - lease, that, re - deemed from war and ha - tred,
 earth be banned; pride of sta - tus, race, or school - ing,
 hu - man - kind; for our grow - ing in your like - ness

of the things that earth af - fords; to a life of
 all may come and go in peace. Show us how through
 dog - mas that ob - scure your plan. In our com - mon
 bring the life of Christ to mind, that by our re -

love in ac - tion help us rise and pledge our word.
 care and good - ness fear will die and hope in - crease.
 quest for jus - tice may we hal - low life's brief span.
 sponse and ser - vice earth its des - ti - ny may find.

Heb. 13:1

William W. How, 1864; alt.

1 For all the saints who from their labors rest, who to the
 2 You were their rock, their refuge, and their might: you, Christ, the
 3 Still may your people, faith-ful, true, and bold, live as the
 4 Ringed by this cloud of wit-ness-es di-vine, we fee-bly
 5 And when the strife is fierce, the war-fare long, steals on the

world their stead-fast faith con-fessed, your name, O Je-sus,
 hope that put their fears to flight; 'mid gloom and doubt, you
 saints who nobly fought of old, and share with them a
 strug-gle, they in glo-ry shine; yet in your love our
 ear the dis-tant tri-umph song, then hearts are brave a-

be for-ev-er blessed.
 were their one true light.
 glo-rious crown of gold. Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!
 faith-ful lives en-twined.
 gain, and faith grows strong.