

Continued from page 1...

And again, this is not a decorative sentence. In this land, water is not background noise. It is life or death. Most water runs fast through ravines and dry riverbeds that turn violent without warning. Flash floods, slippery rocks, rushing currents, and places where a sheep can be swept away in seconds.

**Still water is not common.
It has to be found.
Protected. Chosen.
It is the difference
between living and not.**

So David is not saying God

gave him a pretty view. He is saying God knows where the only safe water is hiding in a land that can kill you if you guess wrong.

This verse is not about cozy rest. It is about a Shepherd who knows the terrain and still finds a way to keep His flock alive in it.

David is saying, 'I live in a land that can break you. I walk through dust and danger and long, empty spaces. And somehow, against all odds, God keeps leading me to places that should not exist. He keeps finding me green. He keeps finding me water. He keeps finding me rest.'

**Not because the land is kind.
But because the Shepherd is. ♥**

*He makes me
LIE DOWN
in green pastures,
He leads me beside
still waters.*



A SIMPLE SUPPER FOLLOWED BY LENTEN WORSHIP



**Each
Wednesday
during Lent**

**SUPPER 6:15
Worship 7:00**

We would be blessed to have you join us every Wednesday during Lent for a Simple Supper of soup & salad at 6:15 pm followed by Worship at 7:00 pm.

*He leads me
in paths of
**RIGHTEOUS-
NESS** for His
name's sake; He
restores my soul.*



*even though I
walk through
the valley of the
**SHADOW
of DEATH***



All women of the church are invited to come, relax, and watch **The Notebook**. Bring your Pj's, blankets & pillows. Snacks will be provided.

***It's basically a slumber party with our
Secret Sister reveal!***



By Karen McGrail

Karen McGrail and Sharon Combs are alternating weeks teaching grades 2-3 discussing parables and the book of Acts.

The older group grades 4-6 is being taught by Sandra Ringgard for 2 weeks per month and we are thankful for Patty & Chris Barney who decided to teach once a month as well as Lene & Greg Guertin who also agreed to teach once a month.

Sandra is still exploring topics in the Old Testament, and the Barney's and Guertin's are teaching from the book of Acts using the Biggest Story Curriculum.

The youngest group, Pre-school to grade 1, is being taught by Julia Hickey and Susan Caron who alternate monthly.

We are most thankful for our helpers who have stepped up to make this all possible

because we want to make sure that 2 adults are always in each classroom.

Our helpers include: Karen Bessette, Jade Caron, Brooke Cass, Judy Combs, Laurie Drake, Cindy Jorritsma, Holly Kularski, Mary Beth Kularski, Connie Moore, Elaine & Mike Palumbo, Bridget Reynolds, and Jadrianna Valcarcel. ♥



You prepare a **TABLE** before me in the presence of my enemies...

You **ANOINT** my head with oil...

MY CUP overflows.





For those 65+

Marilyn Baron-Nagle	March 5
Susan Caron	March 13
Mary Dow	March 20
Mary Waytina	March 21
Carol Chaplin	March 24

Surely Your goodness
+ MERCY will
follow me all the
days of my life.



Palm Sunday: March 29
Passover Seder Meal: Wed. April 1st, 6-8 pm
Maunder Thursday Service: April 2nd, 7-8 pm
Good Friday: Church Prayer, April 3rd, 12-6 pm
Easter Sunday: April 5th (Sunrise Service TBA)



Brad & Marcia Cummings	March 20
Dick & Barb Gelinas	March 24
Peter & Marilyn Nagle	March 31

March 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 10:45 Worship Spark & Ignite return from Winter Camp!	2 9:45 Women's Bible Study 1:30 Grace Bible Study	3 6:15 Men's Bible Study	4 6:15 Soup 7:00 Lenten Service	5 10-12 Food Pantry 6:30 Prayer Meeting	6 10:15 –12:00 Prayer Group	7 9:30 Bible Journaling <i>Daylight Savings Time</i>
8 <i>Spring forward.</i>  10:45 Worship 3:30-5:30 Spark & Ignite	9 9:45 Women's Bible Study 1:30 Grace Bible Study 6:30 Diaconate	10 6:15 Men's Bible Study	11 6:15 Soup 7:00 Lenten Service	12 10-12 Food Pantry 6:30 Cabinet	13 10:15 –12:00 Prayer Group	14 8:30 Men's Breakfast 9:30 Bible Journaling
15 10:45 Worship 3:30-5:30 Spark & Ignite	16 9:45 Women's Bible Study 1:30 Grace Bible Study	17 6:15 Men's Bible Study 	18 6:15 Soup 7:00 Lenten Service	19 10-12 Food Pantry 6:30 Prayer Meeting	20  First Day of SPRING! 10:15 –12:00 Prayer Group	21 9:30 Bible Journaling
22 10:45 Worship 3:30-5:30 Spark & Ignite	23 9:45 Women's Bible Study 1:30 Grace Bible Study	24 6:15 Men's Bible Study	25 6:15 Soup 7:00 Lenten Service	26 10-12 Food Pantry 6:30 Prayer Meeting	27 10:15 –12:00 Prayer Group	28 9:30 Bible Journaling 2:00 Secret Sisters Movie Day
29 PALM SUNDAY 10:45 Worship 3:30-5:30 Spark & Ignite	30 9:45 Women's Bible Study 1:30 Grace Bible Study	31 6:15 Men's Bible Study	 <i>+ I will DWELL in the house of the LORD forever.</i>			

Please notify Deb at the church office for any calendar changes.
Articles, photos, and news items may be sent to deb@firstchurchnb.org
OFFICE HOURS: Tues, Wed, Thur, 9:00 am—1:00 pm

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF NORTH BROOKFIELD
144 North Main Street | North Brookfield, MA 01535
508-867-8428 | website: Firstchurchnb.org

Pastor Joe Shea 508-873-2838