ANNOUNCEMENTS January 23, 2022

Blessing Bag Collection

The Flock is accepting donations to assemble *Blessing Bags* for NSKS; deadline is February 13. Creativity is welcome for items, but some ideas for what is needed most include:

- toiletries: soap, shampoo, toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant, hair brush
- healthy snack items: granola bars, trail mix, tuna pouch
- · socks, hair ties
- band-aids, Tylenol, etc...

Children will be assembling these bags in February during class time. Thank you!

Mission & Action: January Items of the Month:

Cleaning Supplies, *New* Sheets (twin and queen size), *New* Blankets and Pillows for Family Promise of Southern New Hampshire



Ash St Shelter Dinner Chefs Needed

We are looking for cooks to help provide dinners for the Ash Street Shelter on the second Friday of every month for the remainder of the year. You just cook the meal and deliver; we provide you with a gift card to pay for the food. Please call Lee Harper at 603-320-1500 or blharper@tds.net if you would like to help.

Food & Fuel Assistance

The nights are getting cold! If you know anyone needing assistance in paying for heat this winter, please ask them to contact Lee Harper at blharper@tds.net.

We have collection bins in the coat cubby inside the church's center (handicapped) entrance. Please place your donations of eyeglasses, cell phones and travel toiletries in their new bins. Donations may also be dropped in the M&A collection bin outside the church's center (handicapped) entrance.

Nominating - The Nominating Committee continues its work to fill church Board and Committee positions. We encourage you to step up and use your time and talent to make a difference in one of the following areas: Trustees, Deacons, Music, Stewardship, Christian Ed, Conference Delegates (adult and youth) and Nominating. Please contact our committee if you have questions about a specific position: NOMINATING@hollischurch.org, Thank you, Nominating Committee

The Prayer Shawl Ministry meets in the Emerson Chapel on the first and third Tuesdays of the month at 10 a.m. to noon. Bring your coffee and join us! Everyone is welcome! Any questions, email Irene at rinorian@comcast.net or Patricia at patricia.cordell27@gmail.com

Prepared to Serve - Prepared to Serve is an online event for all church members in the New Hampshire Conference, UCC (that's us!) featuring 12 workshops from February 8-17. This year's theme is from the scripture passage found in 2 Corinthians 5:17: "Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here!"

Prepared to Serve offers workshops to meet the needs of local churches. This year's workshop topics will include:

- How to do Hybrid Worship
- Copyright Compliance and the Local Church
- How Churches Can Help Afghan Refugees
- How to Become a Creation Care Church
- The Shared Pastorate Model
- What it Means to be Open and Affirming
- How to Become a Racial Justice Church
- Creating Healthy Pastoral Relations Committees
- Thinking outside the box to address shrinking church membership and finances
- Dealing with the intensified emotions of grief and loss during the pandemic

Registration online by Friday, February 4th. Stay up-to-date on this event by visiting: www.nhcucc.org/caring-for-congregations/prepared-to-serve

Flowers –Sign up to sponsor the flowers at Sunday worship. The 2022 Flower Calendar is **posted** on the bulletin board outside the church office with plenty of dates available or send an email to sue@hollischurch.org to request a date and also send your dedication.





Coffee Hour – Coffee Hour Wednesday, from 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Drop in for a few minutes or stay the hour. Look for the Zoom link in your email.

Church Office Hours this week:

Monday - Closed Tuesday - 8:00 am-3:30 pm Wednesday - 12:30-3:30 pm Thursday - 8:00 am-3:30 pm Friday -8:00 am - noon

If you need assistance please call (603) 465-7797 during office hours or email sue@hollischurch.org or churchoffice@hollischurch.org.



In Our Community...



Blood Drive – The Hollis Brookline High School will be hosting a Red Cross Blood Drive at the Lawrence Barn on January 31st from 12:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.