

ANNOUNCEMENTS

March 27, 2022



Lenten Study Series - The Lenten Study group will hold hybrid meetings Wednesdays at 7 p.m. on March 30, April 6 and 13 in the Parkhurst Room or on Zoom. If you are interested in attending, please contact pastor@hollischurch.org for a copy of the book and the Zoom link.

Widening Our Vision (WOV) Announcement - Please join the Widening our Vision team for the first event of our three-part speaker series. On April 3, we are fortunate to have Stacy Esposito, Licensed Clinical Mental Health Counselor and owner of Healing Roots LLC, lead an activity and discussion about how we can support the LGBTQ+ community. Special focus on the topic of transgender folks, as people have asked how to be better allies to this group. Come with questions and an open heart!

UCC issues appeal for Ukraine, calls on U.S. to provide humanitarian aid - The United Church of Christ is issuing an appeal for the people of Ukraine and will be working with global partners to assist vulnerable communities within that country.

Gifts to the UCC Ukraine Emergency Appeal will provide shelter, food and other care to war refugees and internally displaced people. It also will help refugees and asylum seekers from African, Middle Eastern and other countries who had sought refuge in Ukraine and now are twice displaced, as well as other citizens of more than 125 countries living in Ukraine. [Donate directly to UCC here.](https://support.ucc.org/global-h-o-p-e/ukraine-emergency-appeal) (<https://support.ucc.org/global-h-o-p-e/ukraine-emergency-appeal>), donate at our church's online giving page, or you can make check payable to the Congregational Church of Hollis with "Ukraine Relief Fund" in the memo line.

March Items of the Month:



Cleaning products and paper products for Brookline Food Pantry

- All-purpose spray cleaner
- Floor cleaner
- Toilet bowl cleaner
- Paper towels
- Toilet paper
- Tissues

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.



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. Open dates in June and August – December. 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

If you know anyone needing food or fuel assistance, please ask them to contact Lee Harper at blharper@tds.net.



Flowers –Sign up to sponsor the flowers at Sunday worship. The 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.



Community News....

United Way - Is looking for a large number of volunteers to **help us distribute food at our Pop Up Pantries** around downtown Nashua this spring and summer. The hours for this weekday project are 11am to 12:30pm or 2pm to 3:30pm. We distribute free fresh food outdoors from April 18th to October 28th. For more information see the bulletin board outside of the church office or go to VolunteerGreaterNashua.org for more information.

Do you have shoes you bought and then didn't wear? Did you buy shoes for an event and only wear them once? Troop 465 will be collecting "like-new" shoes as a fundraiser, please **no** heels, slippers, winter boots or those with metal cleats. You can drop your shoes off in the bin marked for Troop 465, outside of the center door of the church. Shoes are sent to female micro-entrepreneurs in developing nations, who sell the shoes to people in their local communities.



Easter Flowers



New this year ... Dahlias! You may place dahlias in the church on Easter Sunday in memory or in honor of loved ones. Fill out the form below to place your order.

I would like to order _____ **Dahlias** (please indicate quantity) to be placed in church on Easter Sunday.

_____ Total cash/check enclosed at **\$12.50 per plant**. Checks should be made payable to: **The Congregational Church of Hollis** with *Easter flowers* on the memo line.

This plant is given _____ **in loving memory** OR _____ **in honor** of:

(PLEASE PRINT NAMES AS THEY SHOULD BE LISTED IN FLOWER DEDICATION)

Your

Name: _____

(PLEASE PRINT YOUR NAME EXACTLY AS IT SHOULD APPEAR IN FLOWER DEDICATION)

Telephone: _____

_____ I wish my plant **TO BE DELIVERED** to friends or members of our church family in hospitals or nursing homes.

_____ **I WILL PICK UP** my plant(s) *after the service* on Easter Sunday, April 17, 2022.

Please return form to: The Congregational Church of Hollis
 3 Monument Square
 Hollis, NH 03049

DEADLINE FOR ORDERING: Wednesday, April 6, 2022