

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## May 28, 2023

### Activities for the Week

Sunday May 28	Worship - Pentecost Sunday (wear red)	9:30 am
Wednesday May 31	Zoom Coffee Hour	10:00 am
Sunday June 4	Worship – Communion Sunday Music Board/Choir celebration/potluck	9:30 am 2:00 pm
Monday June 5	CE Board Meeting	7:30 pm
Tuesday June 6	Prayer Shawl Ministry Meeting Music Board Meeting	10:00 am 6:30 pm
Wednesday June 7	Zoom Coffee Hour	10:00 am
Thursday June 8	Caring Connections Meeting	6:00 pm
Saturday, June 10	Beaver Brook Hike	2:00 pm

### Summer Church Office Hours

Closed Monday & Tuesday. Wednesday, Thursday, Friday 8:00 am to 12:00 pm. *Hours are tentative and subject to change to accommodate vacations and staffing fluctuations.*

### Father's Day Sunday (June 18) Worship Service at Rocky Pond

No livestream available for this service.

### Mission and Action May Items of the Month: May

Warm weather allows for outdoor play, and Nashua Children's Home would love the **donations of Summer Fun** items:

New beach towels                  Water bottles                  Frisbees  
Sunscreen                                  Aloe gel or lotion

Please place your contributions in the collection box outside the center front doors.

### Sabbatical Support Team Update

Thank you to everyone who completed a Sabbatical Support Team survey. Your time and input are very appreciated!

### We hope to see many in attendance at our June activity:

- **June 10 Beaver Brook Hike** (two groups: short hike and longer hike) ending with discussion and s'mores around a campfire. Go to <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0a4baea82d6-beaver#/> to sign up.
- **June 25 Enhanced Fellowship** to thank Rev. Bob. He will be at the July 2<sup>nd</sup> worship service, too, along with Rev. Tanya, but due to July 2 being the start of the July 4<sup>th</sup> vacation week many take, his "Thank you!" fellowship celebration will be on June 25.

**Food & Fuel Assistance** Please contact Lee Harper at [missionandaction@hollischurch.org](mailto:missionandaction@hollischurch.org).

### Virtual Coffee Hour

Join us each Wednesday from 10:00 am – 11:00 am. Drop in for a few minutes or stay the hour. Look for the Zoom link in your email.

### Flowers

Sign up to sponsor flowers at Sunday worship. The flower calendar is posted on the bulletin board outside the church office with plenty of dates available, or email [admin@hollischurch.org](mailto:admin@hollischurch.org) to request a date and send your dedication.



### Are You Up To Date With Pledge Giving?

Trustees note that there currently is a 14% pledge fulfillment shortfall. Please check on and fulfill your pledges as soon as possible. We appreciate your dedication to keeping the church infrastructure running.

### Christmas in July Vacation Bible School

Registration is open!! Join us July 17-20 from 9-11:30 am for a fun-filled week of lessons, crafts, STEM, games, snacks & MORE! Don't miss out! **Spots are limited.**

- Ages 4 years - Grade 6
- Must be able to attend all 4 days
- **Registration closes June 14**
- \$5 per child

**Need a registration form?** Contact Kim at [CE@hollischurch.org](mailto:CE@hollischurch.org) or stop at the church office. You can mail the form to the church, drop off or bring it to a Flock class.

### Spring St Shelter Chefs Needed



**Volunteer  
Chefs  
Needed**

Our church volunteers provide dinner for the Spring Street Shelter on the second Friday of every month. You just cook the meal and deliver; we provide you with a Market Basket gift card to pay for the food. **Volunteer Chefs are needed for July, August, November and December.**

*Please consider signing up* on the bulletin board outside the church office or by contacting Lee Harper at [missionandaction@hollischurch.org](mailto:missionandaction@hollischurch.org). What a great way for a family, a Scout troop, a neighborhood, or YOU to care for hungry people.

### Deacons' Fund 101

The Deacons' Fund is used primarily to **purchase perishable food and grocery gift cards put in the Thanksgiving, Christmas, and Easter holiday food boxes** distributed to local families in need and families in residence at Marguerite's Place. It has also been used to **provide assistance to local families experiencing an emergency/crisis.**

**The Deacons' Fund is not funded as part of the church operating budget** (what your "regular offerings" support). Funding is from individual donations, Holiday Concert bake sale proceeds, some proceeds from various church fundraisers and church groups, and payments for Deacons on duty at funerals. Per our Bylaws, it also receives the loose (cash) offerings on four Sundays each year: the first Sundays of January, Lent, July, and October, but since we've started hybrid worship services and many congregants now use auto-pay or online giving to submit their regular offering, cash offerings have gone down considerably.

**If you are interested and able to contribute to this fund, starting in June, on Communion Sundays (the first Sunday of each month), a designated "Deacons' Fund" offering plate will be in the Narthex (it will not be passed during the Offertory).** That offering plate will be exclusively for Deacons' Fund donations. If you donate by check, please make the check payable to the Congregational Church of Hollis with "Deacons' Fund" in the memo line. You can also contribute to the fund via our online giving at <https://hollischurch.org/donations/>. **Thank you for supporting this vital community outreach program our church has been proud to provide for so many years!**

### Yard/Bake Sale Thanks!

Thank you to all who helped with and/or participated in the Community Yard Sale & Church Bake Sale! Special thanks to our Scout Troop 465 family volunteers who did much of the heavy lifting. What spectacular weather and everyone seemed to enjoy the day. It's a fun fellowship event for ALL and helps the Church to be seen as a contributor to the local community and maintains the small town feel and Hollis' rural character. All Yard Sale proceeds were donated to the Deacon's Fund for the holiday food boxes.