

ANNOUNCEMENTS

June 12, 2022



Amy Ryherd - Hollis Brookline High School
Amy will attend Quinnipiac University in the fall in their 3+3 BA/JD program (BA in Criminal Justice, JD Law Degree)

Daniel Sattler - Hollis Brookline High School
Daniel will attend the Colorado School of Mines in the fall

Special Congregational Meeting TODAY, Sunday, June 12, 2022 at 10:45 a.m.

WARRANT

To the members of the Congregational Church of Hollis, New Hampshire, (United Church of Christ) qualified to vote in Church affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet either in person in said Hollis, New Hampshire, or virtually in the Church Zoom link (which will be provided), on Sunday, June 12, 2022, at 10:45 a.m. to consider the following article:

Article 1: To see if the congregation will accept the Welcome Statement as our Church's Open and Affirming (ONA) covenant, allowing our church to be certified as an Open and Affirming church of the United Church of Christ.

Welcome Statement

Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. (Romans 15:7)

We, the members of the Congregational Church of Hollis, United Church of Christ, believe that all people are created in God's image and are loved, valued, and blessed by God. Understanding that repression and discrimination of any kind is incompatible with the gospel of Jesus Christ, we are committed to the on-going work of inclusivity and discovering ways to live out our support and respect for all of God's beloved children. This community of faith is an Open and Affirming congregation which welcomes persons of all races, ethnic backgrounds, ages, sexual orientations, gender identities and expressions, physical and mental abilities, family structure, marital status, and socio-economic background. All are invited to fully share and participate in all aspects of our church life and leadership. For no matter who you are, or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here.

Voting will take place in the meetinghouse by show of hands, however there is a possibility that members present at the meeting will vote to have a secret ballot. Voting will also be available on Zoom using the "chat" feature for those joining virtually.

Summer Selah Series – Each Sunday, we'll receive a new Psalm to read across the following week; you are encouraged to read it aloud each morning and/or each night, and take a moment to see how it speaks differently to you as the days pass. Which words jump out differently? Which images appeal to your imagination, or ideas suddenly clarify when they weren't as obvious the day before? What moves you, or doesn't resonate, or confuses you? At the end of each week of reading a Psalm, we'll reflect together on it during our Sabbath service.

Sunday Psalm Readings:

June 19: Psalm 42 (Rocky Pond)

As a deer longs for flowing streams, so my soul longs for you, O God. ²My soul thirsts for God, for the living God. When shall I come and behold the face of God? ³My tears have been my food day and night, while people say to me continually, "Where is your God?" ⁴These things I remember, as I pour out my soul: how I went with the throng, and led them in procession to the house of God, with glad shouts and songs of thanksgiving, a multitude keeping festival. ⁵Why are you cast down, O my soul, and why are you disquieted within me? Hope in God; for I shall again praise him, my help ⁶and my God. My soul is cast down within me; therefore I remember you from the land of Jordan and of Hermon, from Mount Mizar. ⁷Deep calls to deep at the thunder of your cataracts; all your waves and your billows have gone over me. ⁸By day the LORD commands his steadfast love, and at night his song is with me, a prayer to the God of my life. ⁹I say to God, my rock, "Why have you forgotten me? Why must I walk about mournfully because the enemy oppresses me?" ¹⁰As with a deadly wound in my body, my adversaries taunt me, while they say to me continually, "Where is your God?" ¹¹Why are you cast down, O my soul, and why are you disquieted within me? Hope in God; for I shall again praise him, my help and my God.

June 26: Psalm 46

July 3: Psalm 48

July 10: Psalm 62

July 17: Psalm 66 (Rocky Pond)

July 24: Psalm 84

July 31: Psalm 86

August 7: Psalm 96

August 14: Psalm 103:1-5, 11-18

August 21: Psalm 116

August 28: Psalm 119:1-3, 33-37, 65-66, 105

September 4: Psalm 131 and Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18



Volunteer
Chefs
Needed

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 October – December.** You just cook the meal and deliver; we provide you with a gift card to pay for the food. Please email Lee Harper at missionandaction@hollischurch.org 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 missionandaction@hollischurch.org.



Home Heating Help

Mission and Action - Summer Items of the Month:

Nashua Soup Kitchen & Shelter's **Backpacks for Back-to-School program** collects new backpacks and school supplies for families trying to live on minimum wage, staying at shelters, or coming to the soup kitchen for food. Eligible children are provided with a new backpack filled with new, grade-appropriate supplies. Throughout the summer months, we will collect items to support this program. **Deadline for donations is Sunday, August 7th.**

- **New Backpacks** for Boys and Girls, K – Grade 12
- Dry-Erase Markers for All Grades (when called up to the board)

- 8GB (or larger) Flash Drives for High School Students
- 2 inch 3-Ring Binders – required in High School
- Loose Leaf Filler Paper
- Tabbed Dividers
- Spiral Notebooks
- Protractor or Multi-piece Drafting Package
- Pencil Boxes/Pouches for Elementary School Children



- Lunch Boxes and Snack Bags for Elementary School Children
- #2 Pencils
- Hand-held Pencil Sharpeners
- Separate Erasers
- Pens
- 12-inch Rulers
- Bottled Glue
- Glue Sticks
- Scotch Tape
- Staplers - Mini or Desk Size
- Student Scissors
- Safety Scissors for Younger Students
- Crayons – Boxes of 24
- Colored Pencils – Bright or Bold
- Washable Colored Markers
- Calculators For High School Students
- Dictionary (one per family)
- Index Cards



For more information or to sign up to volunteer for Backpack Packing or Distribution, go to <https://nks.org/project/nks-backpacks-for-back-to-school/> or contact Carol@nks.org.



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 p.m.
- Wednesday – 12:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
- Thursday – 8:00 am – 3:30 p.m.
- Friday -8:00 a.m. – noon



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

News from Horton Center **UCC summer camp on Pine Mountain**

Summer camp season is quickly approaching and Horton Center is still in need of **volunteer counselors**.

Scan the QR code or go to
www.hortoncenter.org/volunteer

There is also **plenty of room for more campers**. Check out the summer camp schedule at
<https://hortoncenter.org/summer-camp-sessions/>

Horton Center will host an **in-person Open House** on Saturday, June 18th from 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM. Join us for our outdoor worship service, cookout lunch, activities, tours, and games. Come on up and see Horton Center for the first time or the millionth time ... we can't wait to see you all!

Shalom,
Tim Hughes (he/him), Executive Director,
Tivvi Pare (she/her) Summer Director
www.hortoncenter.org

HORTON CENTER NEEDS YOU!



Be a Counselor!
Scan here or go to
www.hortoncenter.org/volunteer



Connect with God's amazing creation and be a part of a welcoming Christian community!

Be a role model for campers! Create a safe space for them to be their true selves!



Create art, explore caves, relax in rocking chairs, bond with kids, hike mountains, toast s'mores and MORE!

Email thughes@nhcucc.org or call 603-545-9660