

ANNOUNCEMENTS – September 24, 2023

Activities for the Week

Sunday, September 24	Worship and The Flock CWS Blanket Sunday Rev. Tanya Sabbatical Sharing Stories and Slides	9:30 am 10:45 am
Monday, September 25	Deacons via Zoom	7:00 pm
Wednesday, September 27	Zoom Coffee Hour All Boards Meeting	10:00 am 7:00 pm
Thursday, September 28	Choir	7:00 pm
Sunday, October 1	Communion Worship and The Flock Third Grade Bible Sunday Christmas Fair Meeting Apple Festival	9:30 am 11:00 am 2:00 pm

Office Hours are Tuesday-Friday 8:00 am–12:00 pm. The office is closed Mondays.

Church World Service Blanket Sunday Today our congregation has an opportunity to share love with neighbors in need by sponsoring blankets for those who are homeless due to economic hardship or natural disasters. Each \$10 donation purchases a blanket, so if you are able, cover an individual, family, or even larger group! Checks can be made payable to the church and put “CWS Blankets” in the memo line. You can mail or drop checks in the church office or offering plate.

Sabbatical Stories and Photos Rev. Tanya will share more about her phenomenal transformative sabbatical experience in Hardy Hall following today’s worship. All are welcome!

Is there a college freshman in your family? Please provide us with freshman names and addresses. The Mission & Action Board would like to send an expression of our caring. Email addresses to churchoffie@hollischurch.org or call us at 603-465-7797.



Christmas Fair News Saturday, November 18 from 9am-2pm is the date for our annual tradition, with lunch served 11am-1:30 pm. The Angel Loft, Bake Sale, Silent Auction, Book Room, and visits with Santa are perennial favorites. All year we look forward to this event, but it takes many volunteers to make it a success.

Come join in the behind-the-scenes fun at our first planning meeting, **Sunday October 1 at 11:00 am** and learn about how you can participate. We’re also looking for donations of goods and contributions for raffle baskets. For more information, contact Carol Birch or email FandH@hollischurch.org.

Hollis Apple Festival and Band Concert Another annual tradition to celebrate will take place on Sunday October 1 from 2:00-4:00 pm. While you’re enjoying apple pie, apple crisp and ice cream, stroll about, greet friends, neighbors, and newcomers and listen to the Hollis Town Band perform music enjoyable for all ages. This is a can’t-miss event!



Calling Out to Everyone Consider becoming a Flock or Nursery volunteer! Share a talent, teach, play, learn from children, or simply give parents a chance to attend worship. Any length commitment is gratefully welcomed. Contact Kim at ce@hollischurch.org to learn more.

Prayer Shawl Ministry In addition to shawls, we are now making baby blankets for baptisms, hats and scarves to help keep local students warm during the cold winter months, and prayer squares, available to all in the Narthex. If you are unable to attend 1st and 3rd Tuesday 10:00 am meetings in person, we would love to have anyone who knits at home join our ministry. For questions, please contact Patricia Cordell at patricia.cordell27@gmail.com.



Mission and Action Sweater Weather Recycling Drive New and clean gently-used sweaters, jackets and coats will be distributed by Davis Funeral Home locally to our partner agencies. All sizes are needed. Drop items in the basket near the elevator and help keep our neighbors warm this winter. Deadline is October 15.

Virtual Coffee Hour Join each Wednesday between 10:00-11:00 am. Look for a Zoom email link.

Food & Fuel Assistance Please contact Lee Harper at missionandaction@hollischurch.org if you or someone you know could use temporary assistance.

Volunteer Tutors Needed United Way of Greater Nashua is looking for volunteers to tutor K-12 students primarily during after school hours at youth organizations in Nashua. Tutors may select the subject, grade level, and time. Background checks are required. Contact tutoring@unitedwaynashua.org or 603-882-4011 to sign up or to register your child for tutoring.

New Little Free Pantry Nonperishables and hygiene items are available 24 hours a day outside Crossway Christian Church at 33 Pine Street in Nashua, in a small, colorful shed to the right of the building. If you're in need of food support, stop by and take what you need, or donate canned/jar goods, can openers and hygiene items on the shelves. No food in boxes or bags can be accepted. Contact info@unitedwaynashua.org for more information.



Flowers Sign up to sponsor Sunday worship flowers! The calendar and instructions are posted outside the church office, or email admin@hollischurch.org to request a date and send your dedication.

Greater Nashua CROP Hunger Walk: "We walk because they walk." This is our 39th year! The walk will take place on Sunday, October 22, beginning and ending at Temple Beth Abraham, 4 Raymond Street in Nashua. Registration is from 12 to 1pm with opening ceremonies at 1pm and stepping out at 1:30pm. Registration and celebration are in the TBA tent.



In 2022 we had more than 300 people and are a very large walk, having merged with Souhegan. We **ranked #1 in New England and #11 in the country!**

We raised \$63,623.68 which resulted in \$3197.21 to each of our 5 recipient agencies: Corpus Christi Food Pantry, Nashua Soup Kitchen, St. John Neuman Food Pantry, St. James of Merrimack Food Pantry, and Share, Inc. of Milford.

To sign up, you can start your own team (indicate what faith community you are connected to) and raise money online at: <https://events.crophungerwalk.org/2023/event/nashuanh>, or you can find us on Facebook; search for Nashua Cropwalk.

If you can't walk, you can sponsor a walker or make a team donation. We can also always use volunteer help at the event if your feet aren't made for walking! For any questions or to volunteer, please contact Becky Green at nashuacropwalk@gmail.com. We look forward to seeing you!