## **ANNOUNCEMENTS – October 8, 2023**

## **Activities for the Week**

Sunday, October 8	Worship and The Flock	9:30 am
	Faith and Blue Coffee with a Cop	10:30 am
	Blessing of the Animals (Little Nichols Field)	1:00 pm
Monday, October 9	Deacons	7:00 pm
Tuesday, October 10	Mission and Action	7:00 pm
Wednesday, October 11	Zoom Coffee Hour	10:00 am
	Facilities Committee	12:00 pm
	Flock Family Pizza Night	5:15 pm
Thursday, October 12	Staff Meeting	10:00 am
	Caring Connections	6:00 pm
	Choir	7:00 pm
Saturday, October 14	Boy Scout Troop 12 Spaghetti Supper	
Sunday, October 15	Worship	9:30 am
	November Chimes Deadline!	

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

<u>Faith & Blue</u> is based on the premise that strong communities are built on mutual respect, trust and understanding. Law enforcement entities and faith-based groups are key pillars of a local community, and when they work together, neighborhoods thrive.



Following worship **today**, we welcome the Hollis Police Department to our Fellowship Hour. They have brought treats, and welcome the wider community to join in "Coffee with a Cop." Please join us to demonstrate our solidarity and commitment to getting to know and mutually respect each other.

Blessing of the Animals 1:00 pm TODAY at Little Nichols Field. All your four-footed (or finned or feathered) friends are welcome! Please be sure animals are leashed or contained for their own safety, and the safety of others.

<u>Is there a college freshman in your family?</u> Please provide us with freshman names and street mailing addresses. The Mission & Action Board would like to send an expression of our caring. You can forward the mailing addresses to <a href="mailto:churchoffie@hollischurch.org">churchoffie@hollischurch.org</a> or call us at 603-465-7797.

<u>Christmas Fair News</u> 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.

We're looking for donations of goods, contributions for raffle baskets, and volunteers to help on this festive day. For more information, contact Carol Birch or email <a href="mailto:FandH@hollischurch.org">FandH@hollischurch.org</a>.

<u>Ready-to-go meals</u> For people or families with health challenges or temporary difficulties, we have prepared frozen meals that can be delivered to help meet a need. Mac and cheese, chicken and rice, soups, and vegetarian options are all available. Please contact Lee Harper or Kimber Harmon for more information.

<u>Deacons' Fund Chari''tea'' Fundraiser</u>, Sunday, Nov. 5th 4-5pm: The Deacons Board is hosting a Deacons Fund Chari''tea'' Fundraiser! Thanks to Sharon Funk and Shannon Laine, professional violinists, who are donating their talents for this event! Join us for a tea party with live violin music provided. Enjoy tea and treats while you socialize and listen to beautiful, live violin music in the background! No dress code but feel free to wear your favorite English hat! Invite friends and family. Open to all!

<u>Admin position available</u> We have posted a new admin role! This person will be responsible for all church communications, newsletter and bulletin prep, website maintenance, social media publicity, weekly AV setup, reception duties, and liaison with boards and committees. If you are interested or know someone whose skills would meet these needs, please email <u>personnel@hollischurch.org</u>. Details are available on the church website, Facebook page, and job boards. The position does not require church membership, so spread the word in the community!

<u>Singers Wanted</u> for the Hollis Town Band 2023 Christmas Chorus and concert December 9 at 7:00 pm. Rehearsals are on Wednesdays beginning October 18 (except for Nov. 22), with NO AUDITIONS...if you breathe, you are automatically in! All parts are welcome, and if you're not sure what part would be best for you, no worries, help will be provided. For more information, call 603-883-2448, or email htbdirector@gmail.com.

<u>Calling Out to Everyone</u> 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.

<u>Prayer Shawl Ministry</u> 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 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 <u>patricia.cordell27@gmail.com</u>.

Mission and Action Collections 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. We are also supporting the Brookline Food Pantry that is in need of chewable vitamins, mayo, mustard, toilet paper, shelf-stable milk, broths, shredded wheat/bran cereal, and grain side dishes. Drop items in the basket near the elevator or in the bins outside the accessible entrance and help keep our neighbors warm and fed this winter.

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

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

<u>Little Free Pantry</u> 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 <a href="mailto:info@unitedwaynashua.org">info@unitedwaynashua.org</a> for more information.



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

Greater Nashua CROP Hunger Walk: This is our 39<sup>th</sup> 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. To sign up, you can start your own team (indicate what faith community you are connected to) and raise money online at:<a href="https://events.crophungerwalk.org/2023/event/nashuanh">https://events.crophungerwalk.org/2023/event/nashuanh</a>, or you can find us on Facebook; search for Nashua Cropwalk.

