

ANNOUNCEMENTS

October 10, 2021

COVID Update

- We now *require* that anyone over the age of 2 attending an *indoor* service, meeting, or event wear a proper face mask (a well-fitted mask that covers the nose and mouth) For *outdoor* gatherings, masks are optional. Please respect 3' social distancing guidelines.
- Attendance at any worship gathering continues to be open to everyone either in-person or via Zoom. Masks are required for in-person attendance
- We encourage you to read our complete [Protocols and Gathering Guidelines](#) to learn the details and reasoning behind our policies regarding masks, vaccinations, and protocols for in-person attendance at services, programs (including Church School activities), and events.

Thank you for understanding and helping to keep our community safe by following these protocols!



2021 Christmas Fair is going Hybrid!

We plan to have a small in-person fair to go along with our online fair. CRAFT TABLE & ANGEL LOFT will be back this year! Volunteers needed!
DATE: Saturday, November 20th
TIME: 10 AM – 2 PM
LOCATION: Hardy Hall

Collections of items will be taken for the following, starting immediately:

- **Silent Auction items – Due by November 1st**
- **Raffle basket items – Due by November 1st**

Donations can be anything from one item to a whole basket! Basket items must be new and in original packaging.

*Items can be left in the Christian Education bin (the one to the right of the doors) outside the handicap entrance, or for more secure drop off, please drop off during office hours:

Tuesday 8:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m., Wednesday noon – 3:30 p.m., Thursday 8:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. and Friday 8:00 a.m. - noon.

In addition, we need volunteers! Anyone interested in helping with the online or in-person, please email sue@hollischurch.org.

We greatly appreciate all donations and look forward to a wonderful holiday season!

~Church Fair Planning Committee

Chimes - The deadline for the November edition of *The Chimes* newsletter is Friday, October 15. Please submit all articles in writing by the deadline to churchoffice@hollischurch.org.

UCC Annual Meeting - Our church will feature in several ways during the worship service of the New Hampshire Conference, UCC Annual Meeting this year! Our choir will be singing, Ann Siglin will be offering a prayer, Charles Lewis is reading the Scripture, and at the conclusion, you'll get a panoramic of our church with the church bell ringing. Because the Annual Meeting is once again entirely remote this year, all of these pieces are pre-recorded. But that means you'll be able to access the service on the New Hampshire Conference, UCC website (www.nhcucc.org) as of Sunday, Oct. 17th--check it out!

A Note from Nominating – We hope everyone had an enjoyable Summer! The Nominating Committee has actively begun its work to fill church Board and Committee positions. We hope you will use your time and talent to make a difference in one of the following areas:

Available Positions:

- Christian Education
- Mission & Action
- Deacons
- Music
- Stewardship
- Conference Delegates

Please contact the board with any questions you may have : NOMINATING@hollischurch.org

Thank you,

Nominating Committee

I've been meaning to ask... a series for curiosity, courage & connection Study Journal with art, poetry, & prompts for fostering deeper connection are available outside the church office or you can contact sue@hollischurch.org for an electronic copy.



The Landscaping Committee is planning to have a **DIG IT UP PARTY** on **Saturday, October 16th..** If interested in the new look for the front of the church building or interested in helping, please contact Nora Lewis at TheLewis4@msn.com or Kimber Harmon at KimberHarmon106@gmail.com.

Mission & Action News

October Items of the Month:

Snacks and more for College Freshman Care Packages

It's back to school for our college Freshmen.

Please consider bringing some cheer to our students, some of whom are on their own for the first time. We would love to show them some *back home lovin'* as they make their way out in the new world.

Suggested items are:

- ◆ microwave popcorn
- ◆ microwavable mac and cheese
- ◆ granola bars
- ◆ protein bars
- ◆ single serving snacks
- ◆ cocoa mix
- ◆ Nerf balls
- ◆ Silly Putty
- ◆ fun post-its or paper clips
- ◆ small toys or games

Deadline for care package collections is **Sunday, Oct. 17** so we can mail them out by the end of the month.

The Flock Students Underwear Drive



Please consider donating **New** underwear (all sizes - men, women, & children) for Nashua Soup Kitchen and Shelter

~Collection Deadline is 10/17~

Thank you!



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 link in your email.



NEW Office Hours

Office hours for this program year (September-May) will be:

- Monday - Closed
- Tuesday 8am-3:30pm
- Wednesday 12:30-3:30pm
- Thursday 8am-3:30 pm
- Friday 8am-12pm



If you need assistance please call (603) 465-7797 during office hours.

Community News...

Do You Like to Sing?

In December, our Women’s Fellowship and the Hollis Town Band will present a holiday concert, collecting non-perishable food for our church’s holiday baskets as “admission.” A community chorus will perform with the band at the December 11th concert.

Come join the Community Christmas Chorus! This is a short-term 8-week commitment for anyone who loves to sing. *No auditions – if you can climb the stairs at the Town Hall, you’re in!* All voices needed! **COVID vaccination required.** All participants must present proof of vaccination at the door. Rehearsals are Wednesdays from 7:30-8:15 pm upstairs in the Town Hall. **First rehearsal is Wednesday, October 20**, but you can still join even if you can’t make it on the 20th — just come when you can!



Community Christmas Chorus