

ANNOUNCEMENTS

October 23, 2022

UCC Relief for Hurricane Ian & Fiona - Our church Deacons and Mission & Action Boards invite your generosity to support the UCC's appeal to support immediate needs for families and communities affected by Hurricanes Ian and Fiona. We will collect a special offering on Sunday, **October 30**, to support this financial campaign. **Please make checks payable to the United Church of Christ, and note "Hurricanes 2022 Fund" in the memo section.** Thank you for your generosity!

Nursery - Our staffed nursery welcomes babies and toddlers during the 9:30 a.m. worship service throughout the program year, September – late May. When you bring your infant or toddler to the nursery, you will be asked to sign your child in/out and to leave a cell phone number. This gives you the peace of mind knowing we can text you should your child need you during the service. If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to Kim Burton at ce@hollischurch.org. We look forward to spending time with your little one!



Blood Drive - Saturday, November 12, 10am - 3pm, Hardy Hall

Mark your calendars for donating blood at our next Red Cross Blood Drive, November 12th! Online registration is recommended at www.redcrossblood.org Blood and platelet shortages are critical and the need is urgent! Most adults are eligible, so please consider being a blood donor!

October Items of the Month: Non-Perishable Food Items

This month, your donations will support the Nashua Soup Kitchen and Brookline Food



Pantry. Brookline's Pantry is a source for those in need not just in Brookline, but also Hollis, Milford, Mason, Jaffrey and Townsend. They help with refilling the pantries that our community desperately need. Ongoing Needs include: Boxed Mac & Cheese, Crackers (Saltines/Ritz), Broth (chicken/beef/veggie), Juice Boxes, Pancake Mix & Syrup, Sugar, Granola Bars, Ready-to-Eat Beef Soups, Chips, Salt and Pepper. Please leave your donations after hours, in the gray Mission &

Action collection bin at the center entrance, or in the rolling cart inside that entrance, during office hours.

Food & Fuel Assistance -If you know anyone needing food or fuel assistance, please ask them to contact Lee Harper at missionandaction@hollischurch.org.

The **Caring Connection Ministry Team** reaches out to anyone who might like a phone call, an email, a hand-written note, a visit, and for any reason: a happy occasion, a simple reminder our church cares about them and wants to stay connected, a loss, an illness, and on, and on. The team can also provide meal delivery (prepared by the **Caring Cooks Meal Ministry Team**) to congregants and the local community when a life event makes meal preparation and/or the ability to leave home difficult (go to <https://hollischurch.org/caring-cooks-meal-request/> and submit form to request meal delivery).

If you or someone you know might appreciate contact from a member of our Caring Connection Ministry Team, please contact us at caringconnection@hollischurch.org.





Christmas Fair News!

Saturday, November 19th from 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

This year's Christmas Fair will be all in-person!

Luncheon served from 11:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m., with entertainment!

All your favorites will be back, Basket Raffle, Book Room, Angel Loft, Silent Auction & Santa!

WHAT IS NEEDED	WHAT TO DO
Volunteers needed to assist with Silent Auction.	For more information email sue@hollischurch.org or stop in the church office
Volunteers needed to run the "New to You" room	For more information email sue@hollischurch.org or stop in the church office
Donations for Book Room	Gently used books, puzzles, and games
Donations for Angel Loft	New or <i>gently used</i> small trinkets for baby siblings to grandparents, jewelry, and things for Dad. Also, Christmas or plain gift bags are needed.
Donations for Silent Auction and "New to You" table.	New or gently used Items, hand crafted items, and gift cards can be dropped off to the church office. For more information contact sue@hollischurch.org to access a donation form go to: https://hollischurch.org/auction-donation-form/
Donations for Basket Raffle	Be creative! Donate a basket from your family or get together with friends! Please, baskets must have at least 5 items to be complete. Email ce@hollischurch.org with your theme by Nov. 6 so we can look forward to what is coming! Items can be left in the church office or dropped off in Flag Room.
Donations of 8oz Jelly Jars	Please drop off jars in the bin outside the center (handicap) entrance or in the church office.

Pre-Sale Raffle Basket Tickets!

Can't make it the day of the fair but still want a chance at one of the fabulous raffle baskets? No problem!

- *order form will be available beginning 11/6 for sales through 11/17.*
- *if you plan to donate a basket, please submit your theme by 10/30 so your basket can be included in ticket pre-sale.*



Do You Like to Sing? On December 10th, 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 holiday concert.

It's not too late to join the Community Christmas Chorus! This is a short-term commitment for anyone who loves to sing. All chorus members must be vaccinated against COVID19. *No auditions – if you can climb the stairs at the Town Hall, you're in!* All voices still needed! Rehearsals are **Wednesdays from 7:30-8:15 pm** upstairs in the Town Hall. Rehearsals have begun, but you can still join — just come when you can!



Coffee Hour – Virtual 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 For This Week:



Monday - Closed

Tuesday – 8:00 a.m. – 3:30

Wednesday – 12:30 – 3:30

Thursday – 8:00 a.m. – 3:30

Friday -Closed

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

Community News...

GREATER NASHUA CROP Hunger Walk



Our 38th year! This year the walk takes place on **Sunday, October 30th** beginning and ending at Temple Beth Abraham, 4 Raymond Street in Nashua. Registration is from 12 to 1pm with opening ceremonies at 1 and stepping out at 1:30. The Nashua Area Interfaith Council sponsors the event. Google 'Greater Nashua Crop Hunger Walk' or go to this link:

<https://events.crophungerwalk.org/2022/event/nashuanh> You can also

find us on Facebook! Just look for Nashua Cropwalk. For any questions or to volunteer please contact Becky Green at nashuacropwalk@gmail.com. We look forward to seeing you!

Hollis Boy Scout Troop 12 - Please join Hollis Boy Scout Troop 12 this November in celebrating their 100 year anniversary. There will be various events 11/4 - 11/6 including a Troop 12 Expo, outdoor activities, a service project, and more. Please find details and updates, as well as registration links on our website at "<https://t12centennial.wixsite.com/website>".

For questions contact t12centennial@gmail.com. We would like to include your stories, pictures, and memories so please reach out if you would like to share.