

ANNOUNCEMENTS

December 19, 2021

From The Technology Team –We are now using a YouTube live stream instead of the Zoom platform. The link will be emailed weekly in the invitation to service, simply click on it and you will be connected to the service. We ask for your patience and understanding as we move forward to improve our remote services.

On Tuesday, Dec. 21st at 6p.m. we will hold our second annual **Longest Night / Blue Christmas service** which is an opportunity to acknowledge that the holidays are not always filled with joy for those that are missing loved ones. We'll have a laptop set up for remote participants, though I expect it will be more intimate and personal if you're able to participate in-person.



Christmas Eve Services

Friday, December 24th

4 p.m. - A 30-minute family candlelight service at. on the Squires Community Patio (weather permitting; if inclement, it will be in the Meetinghouse).

8 p.m. - Our more traditional candlelight service in the Meetinghouse. This service will be hybrid for those who wish to join remotely, so watch your email for a link. (Masks will be required for any/all indoor services.)



Sunday December 26th

9:30 a.m. - **No Live Stream**, watch for at-home liturgy. In-person, in Hardy Hall we will have a very informal service where we will sing carols, and share stories about the highlights of our Advent and Christmas experience. Feel free to come decked out in your favorite flannel pj's (or whatever tasteful loungewear you might don for Christmas morning with family), a favorite Christmas present ("show and tell") if you like. And most important, bring stories to share!

Can you help at 9:15 p.m. on Christmas Eve?

We would like to place luminaria bags around the church for our Christmas Eve services, but need 3-4 people to volunteer to help with cleaning them up after the 8 p.m. service. If you can help, please contact deacons@hollischurch.org. Thank you!

Prayer Shawl Ministry - The Prayer Shawl Ministry usually meets in the Emerson Chapel on the first and third Tuesdays of the month at 10 a.m. But this December 21st meeting has been cancelled. See you in January! If you're interested in learning more about this Ministry, check their website at www.shawlministry.com. Any questions, email Irene at rinorian@comcast.net or Patricia at patricia.cordell27@gmail.com. So, bring your coffee and join us! Everyone is welcome!

New Member Inquirer classes for January, with the hope to have a New Member service on Sunday, January 30th. Classes will be 60-90 minutes (depending on number of participants) and on Wednesday evening at 7:00 p.m., January 5 and 12th, or Sunday after worship (at 11 a.m.) on January 9th and 16th. Wednesday evening classes will be hybrid (in-person in Parkhurst, and Zoom link to be supplied). Sunday morning classes will be in-person, in Emerson Chapel. **Please sign up for the two sessions you'd prefer to attend by emailing** churchoffice@hollischurch.org.

Mission & Action Ongoing Collections...

- Diapers
- Eyeglasses
- Travel size Toiletries
- Used Cell Phones
- Items for the Brookline Food Pantry

Please Note: We are no longer collecting Greeting Cards and Stationery. A drop box for Holiday Cards 4 Our Military is located outside the Hollis Pharmacy. They will accept cards and stationery.

Christmas Eve Fuel and Food Fund

The Christmas Eve offering (other than pledge payments) is dedicated to our Food & Fuel Fund which offers assistance to those in need throughout the year. You may donate to the Food & Fuel Fund at *any time this month*. Please make checks payable to the church with “*Food & Fuel*” on the memo line. The fund provides fuel (oil, propane, wood pellets, electricity) certificates and grocery gift cards for local families needing heating fuel or food assistance. Donate online at www.hollischurch.org. If you know of anyone needing this assistance, please contact Karen Marino at 603-475-3073 or kmarino360@gmail.com.

2022 Calendars – Do you have too many calendars for 2022 already? We will gladly take any extras you may have to donate to “SHARE of Milford”.

We have collection bins in the coat cubby inside the church’s center (handicapped) entrance. Please place your donations of eyeglasses, cell phones and travel toiletries in their new bins. Donations may also be dropped in the M&A collection bin outside the church’s center (handicapped) entrance.

Nominating - The Nominating Committee continues its work to fill church Board and Committee positions. We encourage you to step up and use your time and talent to make a difference in one of the following areas: Deacons, Music, Stewardship, Conference Delegates (adult and youth), Treasurer. Please contact our committee if you have questions about a specific position: NOMINATING@hollischurch.org, Thank you, Nominating Committee



OPEN PAID POSITION AVAILABLE!

We need an adult (over 18) to snow blow the church walkways after each storm. We have a new snow blower to use - just need the willing able body! If you or someone you know are interested, please contact Paul Widner at pjwidner@aol.com or 603-465-9054 for the details and salary.

Flowers –Sign up to sponsor the flowers at Sunday worship. The 2022 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 pm

Wednesday - 12:30-3:30 pm

Thursday – 8:00 am-3:30 pm

Friday -Christmas Eve - Closed



The church office will be closed the week between Christmas and New Year's Day. For Pastoral emergencies call Rev. Tanay at (603) 921-4930. If you need assistance please call (603) 465-7797 during office hours or email sue@hollischurch.org or churchoffice@hollischurch.org.

In our community...

Friends of the Library – The library is selling Pewter ornaments that feature buildings on Monument Square including the Church! They are \$20.00 each and can be purchased at the library.

Help our AFGHAN Allies who Escaped the Taliban

Over 600 Afghan allies are scheduled to be resettled in Massachusetts and New Hampshire. Ascentria is working with the Nashua Host Home Network and Welcome AST to resettle Afghans and their families who have helped our troops during their deployment.

Do you have space in your home where you could host a single person?

Do you have a live-in apartment or in-law space that isn't being used?

Would you like to join a team that supports a resettled family or individual?

Would you like to form your own Neighborhood support group?

Please contact the Nashua Host Home Network to learn how you can help.

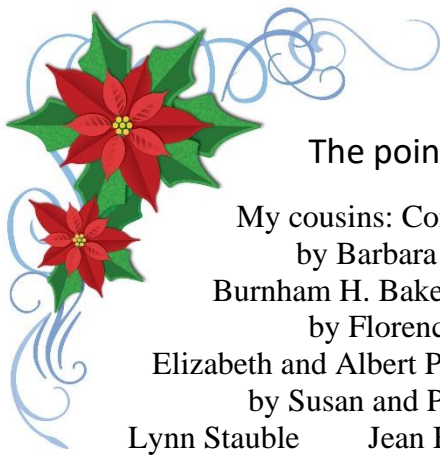
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To learn more about Ascentria and Afghan resettlement visit <https://www.ascentria.org/our-services/services-for-new-americans/help-welcome-afghans>

To learn more about Ascentria Neighborhood Support Teams visit <https://www.ascentria.org/neighborhood-support-teams>

“Sustain those who sustain us, and the Earth will last forever”



The poinsettias are given in loving memory of:

My cousins: Connie Brown, Karl Gerhard
by Barbara Amos
Burnham H. Baker
by Florence Baker
Elizabeth and Albert Parker Martha Bell Rogers
by Susan and Peter Cobleigh, Deb, Mark and Sharon
Lynn Stauble Jean Burns Sheila Richardson
by the D'Ambrosio family
George Ted
by Tonda and Thom Davies
Robert and Nancy Cushman Walter and Louise Irvine
Sibyl's brother, Walter Jr. Bob Cushman
by Sibyl and Sarah Cushman
Jonathan Gilmour Ethel Gilmour de Uribe Betsy Gilmour Hyde
by David and Peggy Gilmour
Charlotte and Keith Dickerson
by Bill Harmon Family
Frank Howarth Uncle Jess Pedro Auntie Ada Pedro Jim Gathercoal Austin Barrett
Alice Simonds John Hills Betty Hardy Andrew Stauble David Leibovic
Marian Leibovic Ray Simoneau Linda Piper Mary Chadwick Dotsie Prozeller
Kay Marshall Robert Franklin Smith Joe Cohen Grammie Peaslee Elwin Hardy
Nick and Phyllis Coniaris Emily Courtemanche Aunt Jean Lyford Baily Mort Goulder
Grammie Bellman Hollis and Ellen Nichols Maurice Spike Marvel Lou "Coach" Korcoulis
"Aunt" Louise Kimball Dr. Scott Lorber Lee Anne Whittemore Sylvester Kenneth Trow
Uncle Peter Lyford Harold and Everdean Hills "Aunt" Libby and "Uncle" Henry Hills
Dr. Edmund Telage Deborah Arthur Robert Ortiz Heather Joy Josette Howarth
Fred Lyford
by Dr. Arthur Lyford and Sophie Howarth
Darlene Nichols Crosby
by Richard and Jane Nichols
Bernice Holloway Rae Smith Marcia Luggier
by The Rearicks
Marvin and Patricia Ryherd Eugene and Suzanne Udell
by Cindy and Eric Ryherd
Allen Hornyak Jean Sattler Ted Sattler
by the Sattler family
Sarah Saunders Our Parents
by Roger and Addie Saunders
Rosalie Vartabedian
by Bob Vartabedian
William E. Wehrle Helen and Kenneth Walters
by Marilyn Wehrle
Mattie and Jim Widner Frank Adamec
by Eileen and Paul Widner
Our fathers ~ Augustus 'Gus' Richards and Rhecye Wigfield
by Ed and Thelma Wigfield





Poinsettias have also been given in honor of:

Dick

by Tonda and Thom Davies

Martha Davis

by Roger and Addie Saunders

Martha Davis

by Marilyn Wehrle

Annette Adamec

by Eileen and Paul Widner