

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS — March 11, 2018**

**Welcome to this service of worship.** We are glad you have chosen to be with us. If you have a question or concern, or are a visitor and would like to know more about our church, please complete the friendship card (available at both entrances) and place in the offering plate or give to a Deacon. If you would like to speak with the pastor, call the church office (465-7797) weekday mornings.

**You are invited to offer prayer requests** using the request cards located in the pew racks. Please give the cards to a deacon at the beginning of the service or drop in the offering plate. Only prayer requests received in writing will be added to the prayer chain.

Prayer requests may also be made via **email to** [prayerchain@hollischurch.org](mailto:prayerchain@hollischurch.org).

### **Activities for the week**

Sun, Mar. 11	Scout Sunday Worship	9:00 am
	Worship/Sunday School	10:30 am
	New Member Enquirer's Class 3 of 3	11:30 am
	Mission Trip Spaghetti Supper	5 & 6:30 pm
	Community Prayers	7:00 pm
Monday	Men's Breakfast	7:15 am
	Ladies Breakfast	8:00 am
	Adult Ed Lenten Study	10:00 am
	Deacons Meeting	7:15 pm
Tuesday	Mission & Action Board Meeting	7:00 pm
Wednesday	Staff Meeting	11:00 am
	Facilities Meeting	5:00 pm
	Adult Ed Lenten Study	7:00 pm
Thursday	Pastoral Care Team Meeting	6:00 pm
	Senior Choir	7:00 pm
<b><i>Chimes Deadline</i></b>		
Saturday	Bell Practice	10:00 am
Sun., Mar. 18	Worship	9:00 am
	Worship/Sunday School	10:30 am
	Teacher Meeting	11:45 am
	BOV Listening Session	11:45 am
	Women's Fellowship	2:00 pm

**New Member Enquirer Classes:** the last of the three **Enquirer's Classes** will be held in Emerson Chapel following the 10:30 a.m. service today.

**Community Prayers Today, March 11<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. in Emerson Chapel.** We will gather, share prayer concerns that we're aware of (personal, congregational, and global), and spend a more extended time in quiet, communal prayer.

**The deadline for the April *Chimes* is Thursday, March 15.** Please submit all articles in writing to the church office or via email to [churchoffice@hollischurch.org](mailto:churchoffice@hollischurch.org).

### **UPCOMING LISTENING SESSIONS**

A reminder that the BoV (Building our Vision) team still wants to hear from you! Please check out our Vision Boards in the hallway near the elevator. You can read about BoV, see what other people are saying about the project and share your ideas! Another **Listening Session** is scheduled for **Sunday, March 18<sup>th</sup> at 11:45AM in Hardy Hall**. The format of this meeting will be slightly different so plan to attend even if you went to one of the first two sessions. Hope to see you there!

### **One Great Hour of Sharing Offering - Sunday, March 18**



This offering makes the love of Christ real for communities around the world who suffer the effects of disaster, conflict, or severe economic hardship — making possible refugee assistance, development aid and more. We ask for your help by donating in the offering on Sunday, March 18. Use the special envelope inserted in your bulletin. Make checks payable to the church with OGHS in the memo line.

**Women's Fellowship** will gather in the Emerson Chapel at 2 pm on Sunday afternoon, March 18, for dessert and a program on nutrition. Leading a discussion on some of the current thoughts on good nutrition will be Erika Damon. Our gatherings are open to all — come join us!

**Blood Drive - Saturday, March 24, 10 am - 3 pm in Hardy Hall.** If you would like to give blood, sign up online now at [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org). We need volunteers and you don't need any special skills! Contact Thelma Wigfield, if you are able to help, at [tr.wigfield@comcast.net](mailto:tr.wigfield@comcast.net).



## **Palm Sunday Pot-Luck Luncheon, 3/25**

The F&H team invites you to usher in Holy Week by joining the all-church Potluck Luncheon in Hardy Hall on Sunday, March 25th, after the 10:30 worship service. Please bring an entree or side dish to share. Come and enjoy fellowship and special musical entertainment by Matt Kopser's barbershop quartet. We hope to have daffodils for sale to brighten and welcome spring into your home. All proceeds will benefit the Nashua Soup Kitchen's new 'tv dinner' program for hungry children. All are welcome--bring a friend!

**How do we form a faithful response to the guns crisis in our culture?** What can we do when the voice of a political issue seems to eclipse what Scripture has to say about our best commitments? How do we overcome resistance to entrenched polarized positions, both within and beyond the Church? Join us for a conversation about how our Christian faith and our political views influence each other, and how God is calling for us to respond. **Sunday, March 25th, at 2 p.m. in Emerson Chapel.**

## **Backpacks Needed!**

The Pre-Confirmation and Confirmation classes have learned of the need for backpacks for new English Language Learner students at Nashua High South. Donations may be left in the box in Emerson Chapel.

**Adult Lenten Study** - As we did in Advent, we'll gather to discuss the highlights and meaningful morsels we find in reading and reflecting on **Walter Brueggemann's Lenten devotional book, entitled *A Way Other Than Our Own***. Meetings will be **Monday mornings (until March 26<sup>th</sup>) from 10:00-11:00 a.m. or Wednesday evenings (until March 28<sup>th</sup>) from 7-8 p.m.** in the Parkhurst Room. Books available at Amazon.com.

## **March Mission Items of the Month:**

**Paper goods, baby items & more** for Marguerite's Place.

Please help them this month with the following items: Toilet Paper, Paper Towels, Tissues, Diapers (especially sizes 5 & 6), Baby Wipes, Pedialyte, Clorox disinfecting wipes, HE Laundry Detergent, Place items in the shopping cart by the CE office.

**Ring In Spring!** Please join us for bells. Any experience through to no experience are welcome. Please contact Janet for exact dates and times at [Janetsterritt@gmail.com](mailto:Janetsterritt@gmail.com).

## **MISSION TRIP NEWS!**

Our annual **Spaghetti Supper** is today, **March 11<sup>th</sup>** with seatings at both 5pm and 6:30pm. Walk-ins and take-out available.

The drawing for the beautiful handmade **Mission Trip Quilt** will take place at the end of spaghetti supper evening. You can purchase raffle tickets up until the time of the drawing.

## **Spring Yardwork & Clean-up**

Help the 2018 Mission Trip Crew get to Wallingford, CT. Our workcampers are ready to be your personal

**Yardwork Crew!** Dates available are **May 11 (Friday afternoon), May 12 (afternoon) and May**

**19 (morning and afternoon)**. Please consider non-weather dependent jobs as well – taking things to the transfer station or stump dump, moving furniture, hanging pictures, small painting jobs, etc. Call to reserve your time slot on one of our yardwork dates.

Contact: Julie Kopser – [julie@kopser.net](mailto:julie@kopser.net) - (603) 325-5745.



## **Children in Service to Others –**

### **Children Reaching Out to Children**

Each year our combined 5th and 6th graders select and organize a **Lenten service project** to encourage all of us to live in God's ways. This year the class has chosen to **help foster children through the My Stuff Bags Foundation**. Please help support by donating children's item that would fit in a mid-sized duffel bag. Items must be new, non-violent, and non-denominational. No food or candy, please. For example, coloring books and crayons, small toys for all ages, school supplies, books, games, makeup, trading cards, small photo albums, and small toiletries. For more suggestions please see <http://www.mystuffbags.org/how-to-help/donate-stuff/>. The class will be collecting donations in Hardy Hall until March 25. The kids appreciate your help to support their service project.

**Rev. Tanya's Office Hours:** Rev. Tanya has drop in office hours from 9:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. on Mondays. Other days and times available by appointment.

**Church Office Hours** – the church office is open **Monday – Friday mornings from 8:00 am - noon**.

**Key Fob Found** – have you lost a HID key fob? Please contact the office if you think this might be yours.



## *Easter Flowers*

You may place flowers in the church on Easter Sunday in memory or in honor of loved ones. Fill out the form below to place your order. Call Wendy Longland at 465-3466 with any questions.

I would like to order \_\_\_\_\_ **tulips** and/or \_\_\_\_\_ **lilies** (please indicate quantity & flower choice) to be placed in church on Easter Sunday.

\_\_\_\_\_ Total cash/check enclosed at **\$7.50 per plant** Checks should be made payable to: **The Congregational Church of Hollis** with *Easter flowers* on the memo line.

This plant is given \_\_\_\_\_ **in loving memory** OR \_\_\_\_\_ **in honor** of:  
(PLEASE PRINT NAMES AS THEY SHOULD BE LISTED)

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Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(PLEASE PRINT YOUR NAME EXACTLY AS IT SHOULD APPEAR)

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ I wish my plant **TO BE DELIVERED** to friends or members of our church family in hospitals or nursing homes.

\_\_\_\_\_ **I WILL PICK UP** my plant(s) *after the last service* on Easter Sunday, April 1, 2018.

Please return form to:      The Congregational Church of Hollis  
   3 Monument Square  
   Hollis, NH 03049

**DEADLINE FOR ORDERING:**  
**Wednesday, March 21, 2018**