

ANNOUNCEMENTS — March 25, 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**.

Activities for the week

Sun, Mar. 25	<i>Palm/Passion Sunday</i>	
	Worship	9:00 am
	Worship/Sunday School	10:30 am
	Pack Easter Food Baskets at Brookdale	11:30 am
	Potluck Luncheon	11:45 am
	Gun Crisis Discussion	2:00 pm
Monday	Men's Breakfast	7:15 am
	Ladies Breakfast	8:00 am
	Adult Ed Lenten Study	10:00 am
Wednesday	Adult Ed Lenten Study	7:00 pm
Thursday	Maundy Thursday	7:30 pm
Friday	<i>Good Friday</i> - Meetinghouse Open	Noon- 3 pm
Saturday	Basketball Challenge at HBMS	Noon
Sun., April 1	Easter Sunday	
	Sunrise Service at Triple Knoll Farm	6:15 am
	Communion Worship	9:00 am
	Communion Worship	10:30 am
	No Sunday School	

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.



Holy Week Worship Services

Maundy Thursday Worship ~ March 29
7:30 pm Communion service

Good Friday ~ March 30
Noon – 3 pm Meetinghouse open for reflection & meditation

Easter Worship Services ~ April 1

6:15 a.m. Sunrise Service led by the Confirmation class at Triple Knoll Farm, on the hill to the south of the house (0.1 mi. south of Ridge Road at 11 Pepperell Road/Rte. 122 in Hollis).

9:00 and 10:30 Family Worship Services in the meetinghouse with the Senior Choir singing at both services (No Sunday School ~ Families are invited to worship together)

Pot-Luck Lunch TODAY

The F&H team invites you to usher in Holy Week by joining the all-church Pot-luck Luncheon in Hardy Hal at noon today. Come and enjoy fellowship, dining with Chris Volpe's piano tunes, and special musical entertainment by Matt Kopser's barbershop quartet.

Spring Daffodils to benefit hungry kids!

The F&H team is selling daffodils today after worship to brighten and welcome spring into your home. All proceeds will benefit the Nashua Soup Kitchen's new "tv dinner" program for hungry children. If interested in helping prepare food, please contact Joyce Toli or Carol Birch.

The "tv dinner" program is also in need of drivers on Monday and Thursday at approximately 4:30 p.m. to deliver meals from the soup kitchen on 2 Quincy St. to Dr. Crisp School on Arlington St. Please contact Joyce Toli at 882-7028 if interested in assisting.

New Hymnals - The Music Board will have samples of the new hymnals available for people to see during the potluck luncheon today. You can donate a hymnal in honor or in memory of a loved one. Use the form inserted in the bulletin or pick one up at the luncheon.



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. **TODAY - Sunday, March 25th, at 2 p.m. in Emerson Chapel.**

BUILDING OUR VISION UPDATE

This past week was a busy one for the BoV Team. Tom Hildreth led a discussion of the underlying facts that the Team will use to create an initial project list. Sarah May gained valuable input from the teachers during a brainstorming session. Dennis Mires, our architect, listened for insights at the staff and council meetings. Summaries of these meetings will be posted on the Visioning Wall.

This week we will continue to sort data as well as collect feedback from the youth of our church. Listening Sessions will resume after Easter. As always, if you have any questions, please contact any BoV team member or send us an email at BoV@hollischurch.org.



Basketball Challenge

All adults who dare! Face off against the HCC basketball team for one final game of the season. Saturday, March 31, High Noon, at the HB Middle School. Fans, you won't want to miss this! Contact basketball@hollischurch.org with questions.

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.

Please Help! Students at Nashua High South are in urgent need of **new socks and underwear**, both boys and girls. Please drop your donations of new, packaged underwear or socks in the box in Emerson Chapel.

Unwrapping Our Gifts **a Laity Empowerment Project**



Wednesdays, APRIL 11 – MAY 30, 7-9 p.m.
(8 sessions) in the Flagg Room with leaders Kimber Harmon, Keith Hamer, and Rev. Tanya. For more information see flyers posted around the church or speak to one of the leaders.

Last Chances to Ring This Season

Chimes - We are practicing in Sunday School. Please come to Sunday School and play with us April 8, 15 and 29. May 6 and 13. Chimes play May 13 and May 20.

Bells - Two Sets left: April 29 and May 27. Practice for April 29: April 7, 14, 21, 28 Parkhurst Room. Practice for May 27: May 5, 12, 19, 26, Parkhurst Room. Practice times can vary to fit everyone's schedule, please contact janetsterritt@gmail.com for exact times.

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

The March-April issue of *The Upper Room* is available in regular and large print in the narthex and on the shelf outside the office.

MISSION TRIP NEWS!



Mission Trip 2018 is Raising FUNds with Shorty's Fair Share Program

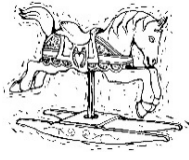
Join Us at *Shorty's Mexican Roadhouse* at the Nashua Mall (Route 3, exit 6) Sunday, April 8, 2018. Lunch, Dinner, or Take-Out! Please be sure to tell your server that you're there on our behalf, and **put your itemized receipt in the basket at the hostess stand.** We will receive 15% of the total food sales.

Spring Yardwork & Clean-up

ALL DATES ARE FILLED! April 7, April 21, May 5, May 11 (pm), May 12 and May 19.

If you would like to be on a waiting list of small jobs for the work crew to do if they finish early on a given date, contact Julie Kopser at (603) 325-5745 or julie@kopser.net.





The Nursery is staffed! Infants and toddlers up to age 3 are welcome to visit the nursery during the 10:30 a.m. service on Sunday mornings. The nursery is located on the lower level next to Hardy Hall in the Austin Room. No pre-registration necessary, drop-ins are welcome anytime throughout the service. Parents are welcome to stay with their child or leave.

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In Our Community...

Hollis Town Band Pops Concert - Sunday, April 8th at Alpine Grove. Tickets are \$24, available until March 28th from Hollis Town Band members, by emailing director@hollistownband.org or by telephone (603)883-2448. The event starts at 1:30 with desserts and music by the Hollis Clarinet Choir. The Hollis Town Band concert begins at 2:30. For more info see poster on the bulletin board.



Hymnal Donation Form

Yes, I would like to give _____ hymnals to the church (please indicate quantity)

I am enclosing a check in the amount of _____ (\$25.00 per hymnal)

In loving memory of _____

_____ by _____

or

In honor of _____

_____ by _____

Your name _____

Telephone _____

Email _____

If you would like the church to notify someone of this gift, please give the name and address below:

Hymnals ordered Dec 1 with anticipated arrival Spring 2018

Please enclose a check (\$25 for each hymnal) payable to the Congregational Church of Hollis with "*Hymnal*" on the memo line and send to:

Congregational Church of Hollis
3 Monument Square
Hollis, NH 03049