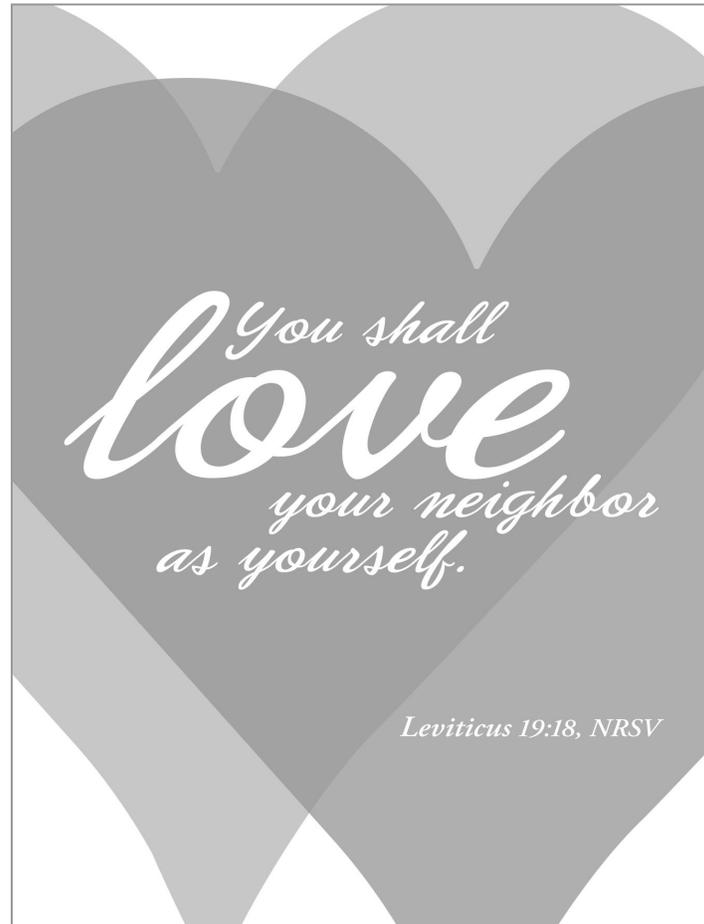


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**SEASON OF EPIPHANY**

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**PRELUDE**

**JULIE OLIVER**

**GOD’S LIGHT AND WORD PRECEDE OUR WORSHIP**

**DEACONS**

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**REV. TANYA**

*Please take a moment to review the announcements in your bulletin.*

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

**DEACON**

God’s spirit dwells in us,

**for we are God’s temple.**

We belong to Christ,

**and Christ belongs to God.**

**Praise the Lord!**

**\* HYMN**

*Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service*

**#503**

**PRAYER OF INVOCATION AND CONFESSION**

**DEACON**

**Almighty God, you make the sun rise on the evil and on the good, send rain on the righteous and on the unrighteous. Give us grace to follow your example and show kindness toward friend and enemy, that we may live as your children who testify to your all-inclusive love.**

**We confess that too often we forsake your commandments; fail to look after the vulnerable; are untruthful in our daily business, unjust in our judgment of others, seek vengeance against our enemies, and have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. Forgive us our sins and rouse us to sincere repentance. By the power of your Holy Spirit, free us to live as your holy people with Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

**ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

**REV. TANYA**

**\* GLORIA**

**#135 (refrain only)**

**\* SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

Beloved of God, the peace of Christ be with you!

**And also with you!**

**A MOMENT FOR ALL AGES**

**REV. TANYA**

*Children are invited to come forward to join Pastor Tanya at the front. At the conclusion, we bless them as they depart with the words...*

And now as you depart to continue your learning and worship somewhere else, we offer you our blessing:

[Congregation]:

**God’s love be with you.**

[Teachers and Children]:

**And also with you.**

## READING FROM SCRIPTURE

Leviticus 19:1-2, 9-18 (pg. 93)

Matthew 5:38-48 (pg. 786)

Through these ancient words of Holy Scripture, God still speaks to us today.

Thanks be to God.

CHORAL ANTHEM

*Sing Out with Splendor*

Joseph Martin

SERMON

“Who Are You? ... Go Beyond”

REV. TANYA

RECEIVING AND WELCOMING OUR NEWEST MEMBER: Fraser Tibbetts

### INTRODUCTION

### QUESTIONS FOR NEW MEMBER CANDIDATE

### RENEWING COMMITMENTS AND WELCOMING OUR NEW MEMBER

Led by our Deacons, I invite all the members of our congregation now to remember our own commitment to own and uphold the Covenant of the Church:

**We confess our faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior and give ourselves to His service and take this to be His Church. Ever mindful of the welfare of our fellowship, we promise to walk in faithfulness and Christian love, and we promise, insofar as we are able, that we will attend the services of this Church, observe its sacraments, share in its work, support its mission, and endeavor to be a fruitful body of Christians.**

Let us express our welcome to our newest members and each other, and affirm our mutual ministry in Christ:

**We welcome you with joy in the common life of this church. We promise you our friendship and prayers as we share the hopes and labors of the church of Jesus Christ. By the power of the Holy Spirit may we continue to grow together in God’s knowledge and love and be witnesses of our risen Savior.**

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

DEACON

*For privacy reasons, we are not publishing our prayer list names on our website. If you are worshiping virtually and would like a copy of the prayer list, please send a request to the church office at [admin@hollischurch.org](mailto:admin@hollischurch.org).*

### THE LORD’S PRAYER

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

### OFFERING AND PLEDGES—SHARING GOD’S GIFTS TO STRENGTHEN OUR WORLD

To initiate online giving, go to <https://hollischurch.org/donations/>



**\* DOXOLOGY**

**#46**

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God, all creatures here below;  
Praise God for all that love has done;  
Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One. Amen.*

**\* PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**REV. TANYA**

**\* HYMN**

*Won't You Let Me Be Your Servant?*

**#374**

**\* OUR COMMON COMMISSION**

**Let us now go forth into the world in peace, being of good courage, holding fast to that which is good, rendering to no one evil for evil, strengthening the faint-hearted, supporting the weak, helping the afflicted, honoring all persons, loving and serving the Lord, and rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.**

**\* BENEDICTION**

**REV. TANYA**

**\* Choral Amen**

**POSTLUDE**

**JULIE OLIVER**

**\* Please stand if you are able.**

# Announcements

## Assistance Needed Following Incident at Greater Nashua Mental Health

Some of you are aware that Greater Nashua Mental Health suffered a devastating explosion and fire this past week, and their entire facility on Amherst Street (Rte. 101A) was lost. As the organization sorts through the maze of filing, etc., that needs to happen to receive insurance funding, they are appealing to the greater Nashua community for assistance to ensure that those in need of their critical mental health services can still receive them. If you are able and inclined to offer assistance, please reach out to United Way of Greater Nashua ([info@unitedwaynashua.org](mailto:info@unitedwaynashua.org)), who are spearheading the effort.

## Music Board to Host February Fellowship

Thank you, Music Board for hosting Fellowship Hour during the month of February! Food and beverages may be dropped off in Hardy Hall prior to the service. If you have any questions, please email [music@hollischurch.org](mailto:music@hollischurch.org).

## You're Invited to the Presentation, "Countering Christian Nationalism in NH"

February 9, 6:30 PM at the UU Church of Nashua (Dining Room)

Our congregation is invited to attend a special event sponsored by UU Nashua and Main Street United Methodist Church. Join Lisa Beaudoin (NH Council of Churches) and James McKim (Manchester NAACP) to learn about Countering Christian Nationalism in New Hampshire.

RSVP Here: <https://uucn.breezechms.com/form/1f3db46089>

Parking information found here: <https://uunashua.org/about-us/contact-us/>



## *The Heart of Christianity* – Final Study this Wednesday!

Our final study of *The Heart of Christianity* by Marcus Borg will continue through this Wednesday, March 11. We will review chapters 10 - 11.

## March Chimes Deadline - February 15

March *Chimes* submissions are due by **February 15**. We would love to share your announcements and news in the upcoming edition. Please email submissions to [admin@hollischurch.org](mailto:admin@hollischurch.org).



## Movie Screening: "Retracing Footsteps: Hannah Dustin and the Abenaki"

February 15, 11:30 AM at the Congregational Church of Amherst, NH

The Racial Justice Team at Congregational Church of Amherst, NH will be hosting a screening of the movie "Retracing Footsteps: Hannah Dustin and the Abenaki" on Sunday, February 15 at 11:30AM. Denise & Paul Pouliot from the Cowasuck Band of the Pennacook Abenaki Peoples will be available to answer questions. Admission is free and there will be refreshments. All are welcome to attend!

## **Board and Committee Service Opportunities**

Board/Committee members play a vital role in stewarding our resources, supporting our ministries, and ensuring our church remains a place of spiritual growth and outreach.

The following are open positions. You can request a full summary from any one of the Nominating Committee members.

- **Deacons Board**
- **Stewardship Board** - Help with the spiritual understanding of tithing and pledging in support of church ministries.
- **Nominating Committee** - Help welcome visitors and new members, find ways to serve the congregation and wider community.

Please contact the Nominating Board with any questions you may have at

[NOMINATING@hollischurch.org](mailto:NOMINATING@hollischurch.org).

### **Beginning Lent Together: Ash Wednesday Service, February 18, 7:00 pm**

Join us for our Ash Wednesday service on Wednesday, February 18, at 7:00 pm. This will be a combined service with our church friends from Brookline and Mason, hosted at Brookline Community Church. All are welcome as we begin the Lenten season together.

### **No Flock or Nursery February 22**

There will be no Flock or Nursery on Sunday, February 22 during Winter Vacation Break.

### **Loaves & Lessons Lenten Series: “The Work of Imagination”**



#### **Join us Thursday evenings at 5:30 in Hardy Hall, February 26 - March 26**

This Lent, we invite you to gather for a meaningful series centered on “The Work of Imagination,” using curriculum from the Illustrated Ministry. Each session will include a homemade meal—with vegetarian and gluten-free options available—followed by thoughtful conversation and reflection grounded in our Lenten theme. Come share food, faith, and imagination as we explore how God invites us to see, wonder, and live more deeply during this season.

Register through this link or scan the QR code if you’d like to help prepare meals.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050849ACAC29A7FF2-61796938-loaves#/>



### **Annual Meeting - March 1 at 11:15 AM**

Please mark your calendar and plan to participate in the Annual Meeting, on Sunday, March 1, at 11:15 a.m. in the Meetinghouse. Warrants will be posted and Annual Reports will be available starting next Sunday.