The Congregational Church of Hollis, UCC

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Four Pillars of Our Mission: Welcome, Worship, Learn, Serve

Summer Service
July 6, 2025, 9:30 a.m.
All Members of the Church, Ministers
John Pfeifer, Worship Leader
Meghan Warren, Guest Accompanist
(Services are being recorded)

SUMMER SUNDAYS, 2025 The Congregational Church of Hollis, U.C.C. July 6, 2025, 9:30 a.m. John Pfeifer Worship Leader Meghan Warren, Guest Accompanist

PRELUDE MEGHAN WARREN

GOD'S LIGHT AND WORD PRECEDE OUR WORSHIP

DEACONS

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

JOHN PFEIFER

Please take a moment to review the announcements in your bulletin. (Worship Leader should highlight any appropriate announcements, invite others to speak.)

CALL TO WORSHIP DEACON

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

DEACON & CONGREGATION

We come before you, O God, and wait for the kindling flame of your Holy Spirit, calling us into fuller and richer lives. You have blessed us by the night's rest and by morning's light. Open us to your claim on us. Show us your way. Let us live in the spirit of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

* HYMN

If You Will Trust In God to Guide You

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* PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

JOHN PFEIFER

The peace of the risen Christ be with you. And also with you.

READING(S) FROM SCRIPTURE

DEACON

2 Kings 5: 1-14 (Page: 293)

Luke 10 1-11, 16-20 (Page: 844)

Hear God's word to us for today, from the ancient words of Holy Scripture. **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON "Why Not Me?" JOHN PFEIFER

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

DEACON & CONGREGATION

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

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.

INVITATION TO SHARE FROM OUR ABUNDANCE

JOHN PFEIFER

OFFERINGS AND PLEDGES-SHARING GOD'S GIFTS TO STRENGTHEN OUR WORLD To initiate online giving, go to https://hollischurch.org/donations/



OFFERTORY MEGHAN WARREN

DOXOLOGY #45

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

JOHN PFEIFER

Bless these tithes and offerings, O God, returned to you. Multiply and use them to bring the word and the touch of Jesus to this place and throughout the world, in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

* HYMN

Called as Partners in Christ's Service

#353

* 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 JOHN PFEIFER

* THREE-FOLD AMEN #291

POSTLUDE MEGHAN WARREN

* Please stand if you are able

Announcements

Pastoral Care Coverage:

June 11 – June 26: Rev. Catherine Merrill

June 27 – July 11: Rev. Judy Bryant

Introducing John Pfeifer - A Valued Member of Our Church Community.

We are pleased to formally introduce John Pfeifer, our dedicated Sexton and a deeply involved member of the Congregational Church of Hollis. John joined our church community in 2022 and has served as our Sexton since December of that year, caring for our buildings and grounds with commitment, skill, and heart. From event setup to maintenance, his work ensures our shared spaces remain welcoming and well-maintained for all. In addition to his Sexton duties, John sings in the choir, serves as a deacon, and contributes to our AV ministry. He is also in the process of exploring theology and service.". John's presence, leadership, and care are a blessing to our church community. Please join us in celebrating and supporting him in his ministry with us.

Welcome Meghan Warren - Guest Pianist

Our accompanist today is Meghan Warren, a recent graduate of Hollis Brookline High School (HBHS). Meghan has been an active and dedicated member of the HBHS music community. She served in the Tri-M Music Honor Society and collaborated with the school Jazz Band to perform for Luminaria Night in past years. Her musical talents and leadership have made a lasting impact on the school and local arts scene. A gifted pianist, Meghan brings both technical skill and emotional depth to her playing. We are honored to have her share her music with us this morning. This fall, Meghan will begin a new chapter as she heads to Northeastern University in Boston, where she will continue to grow both academically and artistically. Please join us in warmly welcoming Meghan to our service and in wishing her all the best in her exciting journey ahead.

Lil' Free Farmstand Starts July 7!

The Congregational Church of Hollis is proud to support Grow Nashua Lil' Free Farmstand this summer. Starting Monday, July 7, drop off fresh vegetables (garden or store-bought) at the donation station next to the shed and Verrecchia Memorial Garden behind the church.

Daily pick-up is between 8:00-11:30 a.m.

Donations continue through the first week of September. More info: www.grownashua.org/share Thank you for supporting food justice and nourishing our neighbors!

Food for Fellowship - Volunteers Needed for July & August

We are looking for volunteers to help provide food for our Sunday Fellowship Hour throughout **July and August.**

You can contribute by:

Donating prepared or baked goods

Freezing items in advance to be used on upcoming Sundays

Signing up to bring food on specific dates

Sign-up sheets are available throughout the church, or contact the office if you'd like to get involved

Caring Cooks – Support for the Demotigny and Mason Families

We are currently seeking volunteers to join our Caring Cooks outreach as we support the Demotigny and Mason families through a challenging time.

Providing a warm meal is a simple yet powerful way to show love and care within our church family. If you're able to cook, bake, or deliver a meal, we welcome your help.

Sign-up opportunities are available now – your contribution can make a meaningful difference.

Let us come together as a congregation and support those who need us most.

For more information or to get involved, please contact the church office or check our facebook group for the sign up genius link

Combined Worship at Rocky Pond - Sunday, July 13th

We invite you to join us for a special combined worship service with Brookline Community Church at **Rocky Pond on Sunday, July 13th at 9:30 AM.** This outdoor service will be led by Rev. Tanya Stormo Rasmussen and will include Holy Communion.

Location: 5 Samuels Way, Hollis, NH

Rain Plan: In the event of rain, the service will be held at the Congregational Church of Hollis. **Parking Notice:** Parking at Rocky Pond is limited. The closest spaces will be reserved for those with mobility needs. Others are encouraged to carpool or park along the road. Brookline attendees are welcome to meet at their church and travel together.

Take Me Out to the Ball Game!

Join Us for a Night with the Fisher Cats – Saturday, July 27 at 6:25 PM

Looking for a fun evening out with your church community? Come join us for a night at the ballpark as the New Hampshire Fisher Cats take on the Hartford Yard Goats at Delta Dental Stadium in Manchester!

Last year's outing was a big hit—and we're doing it again! Tickets are just \$14 per person, but space is limited.

To reserve your ticket, please contact Kim Burton at: ce@hollischurch.org

Bring your family, bring a friend, and enjoy a great night of baseball, fellowship, and summer fun!