

The Congregational Church of Hollis, UCC
3 Monument Square, Hollis, New Hampshire
An Open and Affirming Congregation
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***Four Pillars of Our Mission:
Welcome, Worship, Learn, Serve***

**Summer Service
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July 19, 2026 9:30 a.m.
The Rev. Tanya Stormo Rasmussen, Pastor & Teacher
Julie Oliver, Minister of Music
Kim Burton, Minister of Faith Formation
(Services are recorded)**

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PRELUDE

JUSTIN MCCARTHY

CALL TO WORSHIP

REV. TANYA

*** HYMN**

Morning Has Broken

#258

PRAYER OF INVOCATION AND CONFESSION

DEACON

Christ is with us.

Yes: Christ is in our midst.

Let us pray.

O God, distant yet near, we gather as witnesses to your promise that if we seek you with all our hearts, we will find you. We ask you to make your presence known here among us today. Hear the confessions of our mouths and the yearnings of our hearts. Help us as we strive to expand our vision and diminish the pettiness of our living. Make us new again with your holy grace. May we humbly receive and recognize your many gifts, and faithfully use them to accomplish your work. May your spirit so inspire our worship and work that it has energy and integrity, always manifesting your holy presence in our lives. We praise and give thanks to you, Eternal One, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF DIVINE GRACE

REV. TANYA

GLORIA (*spoken, not sung*)

Glory to God the Creator, and to the Christ, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

SHARING THE PEACE AND JOY OF CHRIST

REV. TANYA

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

DEACON

Eternal God, in the reading of the scripture, may your word be heard; in the meditations of our hearts, may your word be known; and in the faithfulness of our lives, may your word be shown. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

DEACON

Psalm 86:11-17 (pg 474)

Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43 (pg 794)

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

SERMON

REV. TANYA

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.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

DEACON

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. And 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/>



OFFERTORY

*** DOXOLOGY**

#45

*Praise God for love we all may share.
Praise God for beauty everywhere.
Praise God for hope of good to be.
Praise God for truth that makes us free. Amen.*

*** PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

REV. TANYA

*** CLOSING HYMN**

I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me

#467

*** 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

May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit abide with you now and forevermore. Amen.

*** POSTLUDE**

JUSTIN MCCARTHY

Announcements

Summer Office Hours

The office will be open Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 8:00 - 12:00 pm through the week of August 24. Please remember that hours are subject to change to accommodate holidays, vacations, and staffing fluctuations. Call before you stop by or make an appointment (603-465-7797).

2026 Horton Center Pen Pal Program

We've been enjoying postcards from Julia, our Horton Center Summer Staff Pen Pal, sharing updates about camp life and God's work throughout the summer. There's still time to participate! We invite you to send Julia a postcard with words of encouragement, prayers, church news, or a note about your own summer. Visit the bulletin board to learn more and sign up!

Sign up here:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0549AEAB2FA5FFCE9-64579288-sign>

Or Scan QR Code:



Mail Your Postcard to:

Horton Center
PO Box J
Gorham, NH 03581



Faith & Family Night at the Fisher Cats

July 25 | 6:30 PM

Delta Dental Stadium, 1 Line Dr, Manchester, NH

The whole church is invited to join us for a Faith & Family Night at the Fisher Cats! Tickets are \$13 each. Checks can be written to the Congregational Church of Hollis with "Fisher Cats game" in the memo. Please see Kim at CE@hollischurch.org to reserve your seats.

Prayers for Our Mission Team

Keep our Mission Trip Team in your prayers as they travel to Hazlet, New Jersey next week to serve others through home repairs and acts of compassion. We are grateful for their willingness to be God's hands and feet, and we wish them safe travels, meaningful experiences, and many blessings throughout the week. We look forward to welcoming them home and hearing about their journey!

As our team returns on **Saturday, July 25**, they would be grateful for a warm welcome from their church family. If you are available, please consider meeting them at the church to greet them with smiles and encouragement. A few volunteers are also needed to help clean out the rental van so it can be returned promptly. If you are able to bring a few basic cleaning supplies and lend a hand, your assistance would be greatly appreciated.

We are also looking for one volunteer to serve as a contact person on Saturday. The mission team will call or text when they are about an hour away, and that person can notify the other volunteers of the team's expected arrival time. If you are willing to help in any of these ways, please contact the church office.

Thank you to our VBC Volunteers!

A heartfelt thank you to everyone who helped make this year's Vacation Bible Camp such a wonderful success! We are deeply grateful to our dedicated volunteers who generously shared their time, talents, and love with our children, and to the families who participated and made the week so special. Thank you for helping create a joyful, faith-filled experience where God's love was shared and celebrated.

Summer Fellowship Hour

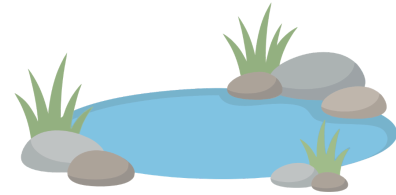
We always enjoy fellowship time with one another after Sunday services. During the summer months, we invite individuals and families to help by providing simple refreshments such as fruit, muffins, or juice. If you'd like to sign up for a specific Sunday, please email admin@hollischurch.org. We'd love to have you help make this time of fellowship possible!

Worship at Rocky Pond

August 2 | 9:30 am

5 Samuels Way, Hollis, NH

We invite everyone to come worship at Rocky Pond on Sunday, August 2 at 9:30 am. The service will be led by Peggy Gilmour and Ruth Kabel in Rev. Tanya's absence. Rev. Tanya will be leading worship at Chocorua Island Chapel on Squam Lake and will bring greetings from our congregation to theirs. Our Holy Communion will be recognized the following Sunday, August 9.



Be sure to bring a chair or other items to help keep you comfortable during the service.

In the event of rain, the service will be held at the Congregational Church of Hollis.

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.

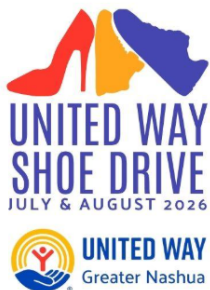
National Night Out (Hosted by Hollis PD)

August 4 | 4:00 PM @ Nichols Field

Come spend the evening with the Hollis community and stop by the church booth for fun children's activities!

Flock Adventure Day - Sunday, August 9

The Flock will meet during the worship service on August 9. Children can be dropped off in the Flagg Room and nursery just before the service begins.



United Way Shoe Drive - July & August

Help make a difference by donating new or gently used shoes to the United Way Greater Nashua Shoe Fund. Donated footwear helps provide essential shoes for local individuals and families in need while also supporting global micro-enterprise initiatives. Donations are being accepted through **August 31**. To learn more or make a financial contribution, visit the Greater Nashua Shoe Fund campaign page: <https://givebutter.com/greater-nashua-shoe-fund>.