

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

July 20, 2025, 9:30 a.m.

All Members of the Church, Ministers

The Rev. Tanya Stormo Rasmussen, Pastor & Teacher

Justin McCarthy, Guest Organist

(Services are being recorded)

SUMMER SUNDAYS, 2025
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PRELUDE

JUSTIN MCCARTHY

GOD'S LIGHT AND WORD PRECEDE OUR WORSHIP

DEACONS

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

REV. TANYA

*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**

The Church's One Foundation

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*** PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

REV. TANYA

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

READING(S) FROM SCRIPTURE

DEACON

Amos 8:1-12, (Page: 748) Psalm 52, (Page: 453) Luke 10:38-42, (Page: 845)

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

SERMON

"Tending to What's Really Important"

REV. TANYA

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

Let us pray.

Let us pray for those who weep and for those who cause their weeping;

Hear our prayer, O God. *[brief silence]*

For those who are without food, clothes, and a place of shelter;

Hear our prayer, O God. *[brief silence]*

For those who live without hope and meaning;

Hear our prayer, O God. *[brief silence]*

For those who live as the objects of the whims of others;

Hear our prayer, O God. *[brief silence]*

For those who are fooling themselves;

Hear our prayer, O God. *[brief silence]*

For those who live with wars and rumours of wars;

Hear our prayer, O God. *[brief silence]*

For those who distort the good news of the gospel;

Hear our prayer, O God. *[brief silence]*

For those who make gods of things and of themselves;

Hear our prayer, O God. *[brief silence]*

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

REV. TANYA

OFFERINGS AND PLEDGES—SHARING GOD'S GIFTS TO STRENGTHEN OUR WORLD

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



OFFERTORY

JUSTIN MCCARTHY

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

REV. TANYA

*** HYMN**

If You Will Trust in God to Guide You

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*** 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

*** THREE-FOLD AMEN**

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POSTLUDE

JUSTIN MCCARTHY

* Please stand if you are able.

Announcements

Summer Fellowship Hosts Needed – July & August

We're still looking for volunteers to host fellowship hour for the months of July and August!

Hosting is easy and a great way to support our community.

Here's what's involved:

Take the prepared plate of food and beverages out of the refrigerator.

Roll the cart with supplies outside (weather permitting).

After fellowship, roll the cart back into the kitchen and return leftovers to the fridge.

No dishes or cleanup required!

We also welcome donations of baked goods for summer fellowship. These can be dropped off anytime and stored in the freezer for future use.

How to Sign Up:

The sign-up sheet is located outside the church office and on the bulletin boards, or

Contact Carol Birch at birchcw@yahoo.com or 603-860-2178.

You're Invited: Rocky Pond Cookout!

Date: 23rd July

Time: 5:30–7:30 PM (Dinner served around 6:00 PM)

Location: Rocky Pond, Hollis

Join us for an evening of food, fellowship, and fun at our annual Rocky Pond Cookout!

In case of rain, the event will move to Hardy Hall at the Congregational Church.

This gathering is a time-honored tradition, created to bring us together in midsummer in joy and connection. All are welcome, bring your appetite and your friends

Take Me Out to the Ball Game!

Join Us for a Night with the Fisher Cats – Saturday, July 26 at 6:25 PM

Looking for a fun evening out with your church community? 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!

VBC Service Project

VBC is braiding fleece for dog tug toys for the Animal Rescue League in Bedford as their service project and are looking for fleece donations! The children will be braiding the fleece on Thursday, July 24th. If you are able to donate, please place donations in the CE bin located outside the church, or drop off during VBC hours, by Wednesday, July 23. Thank you