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

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GOD'S LIGHT AND WORD PRECEDE OUR WORSHIP

DEACONS

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

REV. TANYA

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

INTRODUCTION TO THE THEME

SUNG REFRAIN

CHOIR & CONGREGATION

(please join in the second time through)

Be the change you want to see in the world...

Be the change you want to see in the world...

Be the change you want to see in the world...

And change will come to you!

CALL TO WORSHIP & INVOCATION

DEACON

The world needs to change, and that can make us want to go to our room and hide.

Because there is so much that needs to be done.

Pain needs to be acknowledged.

Reparations—restorative repairs—must be made. Justice must be done. That feels like a lot.

And so, we must remember that we are not called to be changemakers on our own.

We are called together.

We are called in community, and we are called alongside people of faith and goodwill around the world. The world needs to change, but we will not change it alone.

We are called together, and vested with the power of the Holy Spirit.

We are called to follow the way of Jesus. We are the changemakers, and we are getting ready! May we be changed by this time of worship!

* OPENING HYMN

Come, Christians, Join to Sing

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION

DEACON

We say that we don't need other people, but the truth is, we are just afraid to be vulnerable.

All: Forgive us.

Forgive us, and change us again.
Remake us into the Body of Christ.
Re-member us as one community so that we, together, can be changemakers in the world. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

REV. TANYA

* GLORIA #36

* SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Beloved children of God, peace be with you! And also with you!

SUNG REFRAIN

Be the Change

A MESSAGE FOR ALL AGES

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.

UNISON PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Holy One, help us to hear the Gospel as if for the first time. Free us of our self-centeredness, and help us to see how this Good News is for our wider community and the entire world. May this story show us the way to become a compassion-driven changemaker, like Jesus, in whose name we pray. Amen.

FIRST LESSON Luke 10:1-11 (Contemporary English Bible) (Page: 844) DEACON

CHORAL ANTHEM The Servant Song arr. Joel Raney

SECOND LESSON Mark 6:30-44 (*The Message*) (Page: 818) DEACON

SERMON "At the Heart of Divine Change: Collaboration" REV. TANYA

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

DEACON

Prayer List: John & Helen Balfour, Nancy Bell, Dick & Nancy Birch, Don & Ginny Brooks, Shirley Coleman, Patricia Cordell, Margaret Cuddeback, Louise deMontigny, Susan Gorham, Robin Hills, Don & Judy McCoy, Nancy Phillips, Dick & Doris Rafferty, Lorna Rupert, Nanci Rydstrom, Ann Siglin, Jan Travasos, Susan Vautin, Bill & Dee Wagner.

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. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

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

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

* DOXOLOGY

"Let Us Be Makers"

[sung to the tune of "Blessed Assurance"]

Praise to the Maker, the One who gives breath.

Praise to Christ Jesus, who reigns over death.

Praise to the Spirit, our strength and our friend. Three-in-One present, world without end.

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

REV. TANYA

* CLOSING HYMN

Called as Partners in Christ's Service

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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

* CHORAL AMEN

POSTLUDE JULIE OLIVER

- * Please stand if you are able.
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Announcements

Over the four weeks of September, we will be exploring Jesus' identity, and our own, as "changemakers." Our series is inspired by The Changemaker Initiative, whose work is helping churches see that the work God is about these days is less about perfecting the church and more about changing the communities we live in. The problems in the world can be so overwhelming that we stop believing we can make a difference. But we can—if we change our own perception of what that looks like. Each one of us is called and equipped to make change; it's our true asset in this world. We, the people of the Body of Christ, have so much to give; we're going to practice reimagining together.

Food & Fuel Meeting – Today

There will be a Food and Fuel Meeting held after worship today in the Parkhurst Room. All are welcome to attend and take part in the discussion.

Chimes Deadline

The Chimes deadline is the 15th of this month. Please submit all articles, announcements, and updates to admin@hollischurch.org by that date so the issue can be prepared and sent out on time. Thank you for your contributions in helping keep our church family connected and informed!

Faith Formation at Hollis Old Home Days

Join us for Hollis Old Home Days as our Christian Education & Faith Formation team sets up on the lawn! We'll be hosting a stand to share with the community, highlighting our church with fun activities and engaging things for kids to enjoy. Come down, bring a friend, and show your support as we connect with neighbors and celebrate this special town tradition.

Mission Trip Ministry Team

Is meeting on Wednesday, Sept 24 at 6 pm to plan a moment in the church service on Sept 28, organize a group to travel up to Horton Center on Oct 10 for the cleanup weekend, and then begin planning the activities for the teens and adults who are registered for our Mission trip to travel next summer to Hazlet, NJ. Anyone interested in helping with the preparation of the trip or wanting more information about the trip or upcoming activities is welcome to attend. Additional questions about the trip or the Ministry Team can be addressed after the worship service on Sept 28 if attending the meeting isn't possible. Registrations are open for those over 14 by July 2026 via the QR code. We look forward to having you join us for the fun!



