

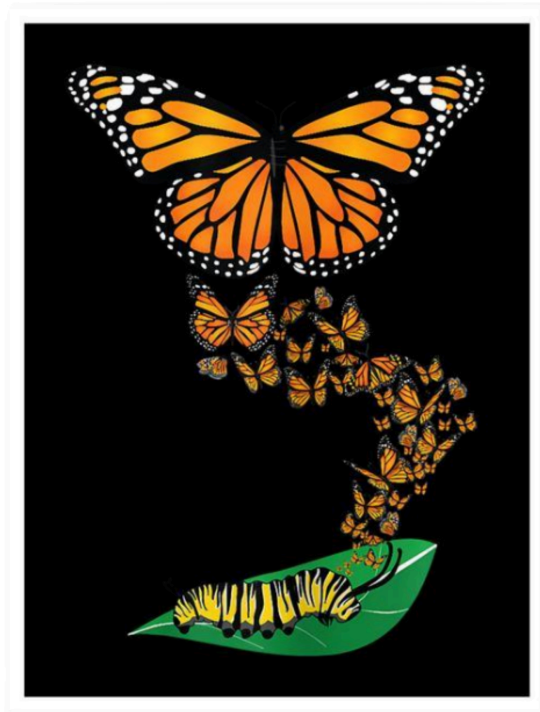
# **The Congregational Church of Hollis, UCC**

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

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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.*

**SUNG REFRAIN**

***"I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me"***

**#46**

**CHOIR & CONGREGATION**

**CALL TO WORSHIP & INVOCATION**

**DEACON**

Come and join in the feast of the Lord!

**We are hungry.**

Come and join in the miracles of the Lord.

**We are doubtful.**

Come and join in the community of the Lord.

**We are ready to face our fears, and to participate in God's miracles. Amen.**

**\* OPENING HYMN**

***Break Thou the Bread of Life***

**#294**

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

**DEACON**

**UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**Holy God, we know that we are called to generosity, and yet, we so often fall into the trap of scarcity. Like the disciples, we are sure that there just isn't enough. Calm our anxious spirits. Tune our hearts to see those small gifts already being shared. Amen.**

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

**REV. TANYA**

**\* GLORIA**

**#38**

**\* SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

Beloved children of God, peace be with you!

**And also with you!**

As forgiven and freed people through Christ, let us pass the peace of Christ with one another.

When the concluding music begins, the children are invited to come forward.

**SUNG REFRAIN**

***“I’m Gonna Live So God Can Use Me”***

**#467**

**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 God, when all the people gathered to hear Jesus, they each had different gifts and different needs. Jesus inspired them all to be generous. Jesus made sure they all received what they needed. We have also gathered with different gifts and different needs. Enliven us with your Word today, so that we each feel at the same time fulfilled and challenged. Amen.**

**GOSPEL LESSON**

**John 6:1-14**

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**YOUTH**

**RESPONSE TO THE READING**

**YOUTH & CONGREGATION**

God brings us together in the word.

**We are grateful to be part of God’s story.**

God brings us together in stewardship.

**We are grateful to be part of God’s community.**

God brings us together in a vision for the future.

**We are grateful to be part of God’s dream. Amen.**

**CHORAL ANTHEM**

***“For the Autumn Sky”***

**Ruth Elaine Schram**

**STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION**

**BETH HARPER & REV. TANYA**

**“More Than Enough (A Story of Loaves & Fishes, and Apples & Peaches)”**

## 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)*

## OFFERING AND PLEDGES

### —SHARING GOD’S GIFTS TO STRENGTHEN OUR WORLD

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



## \* 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

## SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION INVITATION

### THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Therefore with all your people in heaven and on earth  
we sing the triumphant hymn of your glory:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,**

**God of power and might,**

**heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

## **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.**

## **COMMUNION IS SHARED**

*Anyone who wishes to receive of the gifts of the Lord's Table is welcome! If you are unable or prefer not to come forward to receive, please indicate to a Deacon when we have served others, and we will come to you in your pew.*

## **UNISON PRAYER AFTER RECEIVING**

**Holy One, we have met you at this table. Nourished by your holy food, send us out as one people, full of vision and courage, to shine your healing light in the shadowy and hurting places of this world. Filled with your grace, show us how to effect change and to live so that all may know your presence and work in this world, through our activities of hope and compassion. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

## **\* CLOSING HYMN**

*Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether*

**#318**

## **\* 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

## **Worship at Brookline Community Church, October 19**

**On Sunday, October 19, 2025, at 10:00 a.m.,** we will gather for worship with our sister church at Brookline Community Church, 2 Main Street, Brookline, NH. Please note that *there will be no service held at the Congregational Church of Hollis that morning*. We warmly invite everyone to join us in this shared space as we come together in praise, worship, and fellowship.

## **The Heart of Christianity – Wednesday Evenings**

Join us for The Heart of Christianity study, meeting Wednesday evenings from **5:15–6:30 p.m. in Hardy Hall**. This is a drop-in gathering, you're welcome to join anytime and pick up right where we are. The group has already begun but you are more than welcome to join. For next week's session, we'll be reading Chapter 3 together. All are welcome, come be part of the conversation and exploration.

## **Mission Trip to Hazlet, NJ**

The Mission Trip Ministry Team is ready to start planning and preparing you for next summer's trip to Hazlet, NJ. We have a couple of applications ready, but no deposits have been attached. We need to have your commitment before we can let the organization know you are coming. They need to start preparing for the hundreds of teens and adults to set up worksites and have food and lodging ready for day one. Please get your application and deposit into the church office this week so we can get ready for your Illuminating trip, summer 2026!



## **Ringers Wanted**

Join with a group of joyful ringers to help bring the blessings of our beautiful bells to the Thanksgiving/Advent/Christmas season. All ages and experience are welcome. The first rehearsal is tentatively scheduled for October 12th at 11 a.m. In the Parkhurst Room.

Please contact April Springfield as soon as possible ...603 943-9452 or at [aprilCspringfield@gmail.com](mailto:aprilCspringfield@gmail.com)

## **Caring Cooks, What's Cooking?**

A big thanks to all those caring cooks who have cooked and delivered meals to families in need this year! A second big thanks to Amos in the church office for helping me navigate the computer processes I need to learn to keep the Caring Cooks ministry going!

We currently have two families we are cooking for. We need more volunteers to cook and deliver meals. The office sends out a Constant Contact email each time a new family requests meals.

The message contains a link to the sign-up genius for you to sign up and all the details regarding meal preferences, delivery details, and the family's contact information. Please consider

volunteering to be a caring cook. If you did not receive the caring cooks email, please contact the church office. The love and appreciation you receive when delivering a meal is truly a blessing! Thanks and God bless,

### **Christmas Raffle Baskets**

It's that time of the year when we start thinking about the Christmas Fair!! I am collecting donations for the raffle baskets. Something NEW I'm offering this year is to do your shopping for you! I know how busy everyone is! All you have to do is Venmo me your donation (@Jennifer-Millen-1) and what you would like the theme to be, and I'll do the rest! Any leftover money will be donated directly to the church. If you'd like to make your own basket, please feel free to email me at [jmillen3098@gmail.com](mailto:jmillen3098@gmail.com), and I will send you the information! Thank you in advance for your generosity!



### **It is not too late to join the Hollis Town Band Christmas Chorus!**

No auditions required, and all parts are welcome. The chorus meets on **Wednesday evenings at 7:30 pm, starting on the 22nd of October** in the Hollis Town Hall (second floor, Monument Square), with the exception of November 26. This annual Christmas concert benefits our church through the collection of non-perishable food items for admission and the sale of desserts at intermission, with all proceeds going directly to fill our food boxes. The concert will take place on **Saturday, December 13, at 7:00 pm** in the Hollis-Brookline Senior High School Auditorium. Come and add your voice to this joyful community tradition! For more information, please call (603) 883-2448 or visit <https://www.hollistownband.info/>