

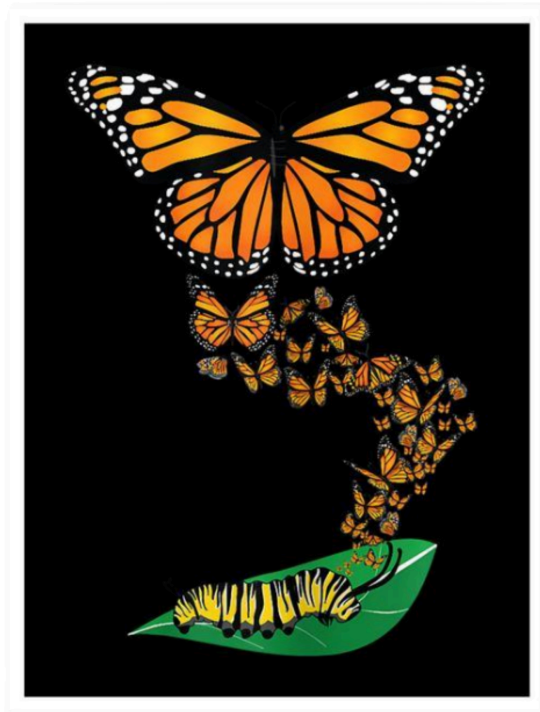
# **The Congregational Church of Hollis, UCC**

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An Open and Affirming Congregation

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

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**PRELUDE**

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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.*

**SUNG REFRAIN**

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

**#467**

**CALL TO WORSHIP & INVOCATION**

**DEACON**

We gather to acknowledge our blessing.

**We are grateful.**

We gather to acknowledge our brokenness.

**We are mindful.**

We come as we are, both broken and blessed to worship in community.

**We are hopeful.**

Let us worship the God who blesses us richly, binds up our brokenness,  
and communes with each and all of us!

**OPENING SONG**

*"Draw the Circle Wide"*

**CHOIR AND CONGREGATION**

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

**DEACON**

**UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**God of expansive dreams, we don't always see your vision for us. We don't act as though your dreams can become reality. We don't love our neighbor or welcome the stranger; although we are all connected, we act as though they have nothing to do with us. Renew us again today with grace and possibility. Amen.**

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

**REV. TANYA**

**\* GLORIA**

**\* 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”***

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**A MESSAGE FOR ALL AGES: TIVVI PARÉ – HORTON CENTER DIRECTOR**

*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**

**God who still speaks through ancient texts, may our hearts and minds be open as we hear these words from Holy Scripture. Help us to hear the specific word of assurance or of challenge that you know we need to hear this morning. In Jesus’ name. Amen.**

**FIRST LESSON**

**Psalms 121 (Page: 498)**

**DEACON**

**SECOND LESSON**

**Romans 12:3-8 (Page: 922)**

**DEACON**

**CHORAL ANTHEM**

***“Let All the World Rejoice”***

**Joseph M. Martin**

**SERMON**

**TIVVI PARÉ**

**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)*

**STEWARDSHIP MOMENT**

**BARB ZULLO**

**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**

**\* CLOSING HYMN**

*"Shalom, My Friend"*

**#351**

**\* 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

## **Poinsettia Order Forms Now Available**

Poinsettia order forms are now available for those who would like to dedicate a plant in honor or in memory of a loved one this Christmas season. These beautiful flowers will decorate our sanctuary and help us create a warm and meaningful worship space as we celebrate the birth of Christ. Order forms can be found in the church lobby and the church office, or you can download a copy by scanning the QR Code. Please return completed forms to the office along with your payment by the deadline listed on the form to ensure inclusion in the Christmas bulletin.



## **Food and Fuel Ministry Team**

We need and warmly welcome your help with holiday food box packing for our neighbors in Brookline, Nashua, and Milford. The Scouting community and our church's Food & Fuel Ministry Team are deeply grateful for the generous donations already received. Together, we are helping many families enjoy a nourishing meal this holiday season.

## ***Volunteer Opportunity:***

**Sunday, November 16, 10:45 AM – 1:30 PM,** Brookdale Fruit Farm Warehouse (rear of building) 36R Broad Street, Hollis

We are looking for 15–20 volunteers to help pack food boxes. All ages are welcome, and no prior experience is needed — just a willingness to lend a hand.

Your time and presence will make a meaningful difference.

Thank you for supporting our neighbors with care and compassion.

## **Christmas Fair – We Need Your Help**

**Saturday, November 22, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.**

Our beloved Christmas Fair is just around the corner, and we need your help to make it a joyful success! There are many ways to participate:

## ***Donate Items:***

- Angel Loft – new or gently used trinkets, small gifts, and toys for children to purchase for their families.
- Bake Sale – homemade breads, cookies, candies, and treats (please label ingredients).
- New-to-You Room – upscale, gently used home décor, jewelry, and collectibles.
- Raffle Baskets – donate themed items or sponsor a basket.
- Crafts Table – handmade items, art, and seasonal gifts are always welcome.

### ***Volunteer Opportunities:***

We're looking for helpers to set up, run tables, assist Santa, perform music, serve lunch, and help clean up afterward. All are welcome, there's something for everyone!

### ***Drop-Off Information:***

Donations can be dropped off on Sundays or during church office hours, Monday - Thursday, 8:00 am - 12:00 pm, or placed in the CE box outside the church's front door.

For special arrangements, contact Carol Birch or email [christmasfair@hollischurch.org](mailto:christmasfair@hollischurch.org).

Let's make this year's Christmas Fair another wonderful time of community, joy, and generosity!

### **Special Offering—Jamaican Farm Workers (Nov 16)**

Many families of the Jamaican seasonal crews at Brookdale and Kimball have lost their homes.

To avoid platform fees and maximize impact, we're collecting a special offering labeled **"For Jamaican workers."** We'll send one pass-through check to the farms for **cash distribution directly to workers.** Give in the plate (mark your envelope), by mail, or online via Vanco/Zeffy (select **Special Offering: Jamaican Workers** or note **"Jamaican workers"**).

### **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!



### **Chimes reminder**

Just a reminder that the Chimes submissions are due Friday, November 15. We're creating a combined December & January issue, so please send items for both months in one go. Email: [admin@hollischurch.org](mailto:admin@hollischurch.org). Combining these issues helps us keep everyone informed through the holidays and gives us space to prepare the Annual Report in January.