

ANNOUNCEMENTS — April 14, 2013

Welcome to this service of worship. We are glad you have chosen to be with us. Please sign the friendship register when it is passed. If you are a visitor and would like to know more about our church, speak with the pastor or a deacon following the service or call the church office weekday mornings at 465-7797.

Activities for the week

Sunday, Apr 14	Worship	9:00 a.m.
	Worship and Sunday School	10:30 a.m.
	Combined Bell Ringers practice	11:45 a.m.
	Mission Trip meeting	11:45 a.m.
	Christmas Fair meeting	11:45 a.m.
Monday	Eat at Shorty's	ALL DAY! Lunch –
	Mission Trip fundraiser	Dinner – Take-Out
	Men's Breakfast at Denny's	7:15 a.m.
	May Chimes deadline	
	Trustees meeting	7:00 p.m.
Tuesday	Church Council meeting	7:00 p.m.
Wednesday	Confirmation Class	5:00 p.m.
Thursday	Knitting Group	10:00 a.m.
	Senior Choir	7:00 p.m.
Sunday, Apr 21	Worship	9:00 a.m.
	Worship / NO Sunday School	10:30 a.m.
	New Member Forum	11:45 a.m.
	Combined Bell Ringers practice	11:45 a.m.
	Naomi Circle meeting	2:00 p.m.

April Mission Item of the Month: Canned Goods

for Mission Trip 2013! These items will be distributed to food pantries in the Spencer, NY area in July of 2013, so *please keep an eye on expiration dates*. All canned items may be placed in the shopping cart in front of the office. Thank you for your generous donations!



The Christmas Fair: Lessons from 2012, Ideas for 2013

Meeting in Emerson Chapel TODAY, Sunday, April 14, from 11:45 to 12:30 (or so). *Let's get together!* If you participated in any way in last year's Christmas Fair, please come to share your ideas of what worked and what could be improved. If you would like to participate at any level in 2013, please come and share any ideas/offer your skills. Bring a snack to share if you like! Questions: julie@kopser.net, or 603 325 5745

Naomi Circle – The Faith Club book discussion. There have been some changes in the format of the April 21st meeting. The author will not be able to meet with us as planned. However, let us make this a lively discussion of the book. For those who have not had an opportunity to read the book, *there are copies of highlights of the three religions on which the book is based, available in the church office*. Using these and your own ideas, we could have our own *Faith Club* discussion. **Naomi Circle will meet in Emerson Chapel at 2:00 pm on Sunday, April 21.** Join us!

Women's Retreat Survey: Several women in our church are pursuing the possibility of a Women's Retreat and have created a survey to gauge interest. Please pick up a survey in the narthex (also available online), complete and return to the church office.



A NEW MEMBER FORUM is scheduled for those who would like to join or explore the possibility. The date is set for **Sunday, April 21**, after the 10:30 service at 11:45 in Emerson

Chapel. The session lasts about 45 minutes and offers the opportunity to get acquainted with others attending, as well as hearing Rev. Smith along with Lydia Schellenberg, Deacon Emeritus, talk about the history and organization of The Congregational Church of Hollis, our denominational affiliation, expectations of church membership, and about our **service of joining**, which is scheduled to take place **on Sunday, May 5**, during the 10:30 service. If you are unable to attend the New Member Forum, but would still like to join on May 5, please speak to Rev. Smith to make other arrangements

The deadline for the May Chimes is Monday, April 15. Please submit all articles in writing to the church office or via email to churchoffice@hollischurch.org.

The Mission Trip workcampers are offering yard clean-ups

once again this May. We have limited time slots available but hope that if you need help in your yard this year, you'll give us a call. We will be available on **Saturday, May 4th and Saturday, May 18th from 9am – 11am.** Please contact Holly Babcock at 465- 7448 or hdeurloo@aol.com to book a spot soon. Mulching, raking, and weeding are all suggested projects for the 2 hour block. No fee is charged, but if you would like to make a donation to our trip to Spencer, NY this July, we would be grateful. We thank you for your continued support.



Knitters ~ A supply of yarn is available in the church office for anyone interested in making a prayer shawl for our Church's Prayer Shawl Ministry.



Our Mission Trip workcampers will be taking 42 shawls when they go to Spencer, NY next summer. We need lots of shawls

— all knitting is greatly appreciated! The directions for the easy-to-make shawls are available in the folder hanging on the bulletin board outside Rev. Smith's office.

Please help the Longland family in their fight to end breast cancer!

Shelby and Devin will be walking 40 miles in the Avon Walk for Breast cancer in Boston on May 18th. The girls have to raise \$1800 each. The money raised will go to breast cancer research and early detection programs. As most of you know, breast cancer is an issue close to home. Wendy fought a tough battle and came out victorious, but many other women are not so lucky. Please help to ensure that in the future, all women reach the same end as Wendy. To make a tax deductible donation, please go to avonwalk.org -> see your impact -> donate now and search for Longland. If you'd prefer to write a check, make it out to Avon Walk for Breast Cancer and mail it to: The Longland Family, 151 Pepperell Rd, Hollis, NH 03049.

Thank you so much for your support!!!!

Financial Update:	<u>Through 4/11/2013</u>	<u>2013 Budget</u>
2013 Pledges	\$ 65,750	\$ 238,000
Loose Offering	\$ 7,773	\$ 20,000
Budgeted Expenses	\$ 82,178	\$ 332,590

Collections April 7 \$4,219 Needed Weekly \$4,962

Help the 2013 Mission Trip workcampers and our earth —
No need to wait for “Dump Day” — We're Open 24/7



← Drop your paper for recycling through this opening on the side of the box! This is an ongoing workcamp fundraiser — our workcampers earn money for every ton of paper recycled and you help our earth!

🎵 **Sign up to provide music for 9:00 a.m. worship services.**

Plenty of opportunities are available! Sign up on the sheets posted on the church bulletin board. Contact Dee Wagner with questions: 465-2562 or billdee.wagner159@gmail.com.

These weekly announcements, the calendar of church activities, and *Chimes* newsletter are all **available on our website at www.hollischurch.org.** Check it out!

In Our Community

The Hollis Woman's Club is sponsoring a **day bus trip to NYC** on Saturday, May 11th. All are invited and seats are only \$65. Contact Susan.Benz@gmail.com or 465-3607 for details.

First Annual Peace Memorial Conference: The inaugural presentation of this celebration of peace will remember and recognize Dr. Noah Worcester, a native son of Hollis and a presentation by Dr. Donna Hicks, PhD, a distinguished teacher, scholar, and twenty-years-experienced practitioner in the increasingly critical field of non-violent conflict resolution.

The event is sponsored by The Hollis Brookline Rotary Club and will be held at the Hollis Brookline High School on Wednesday evening, **May 15, 2013** from 7 to 9 pm. Further details can be obtained from by contacting Venu Rao at (603) 589-0808 or visiting the club website, Rotary Club of Hollis Brookline at www.hbrotrary.org



Mission Trip 2013

Raising FUNds with

Shorty's Fair Share Program

Join us at...

Shorty's in Nashua

(Route 3, exit 6)

Monday, April 15

ALL DAY! Lunch - Dinner - Take out

Please be sure to tell your server that you're there on our behalf, and **put your itemized receipt in the basket at the hostess stand.** We will receive 15% of the total food sales.

★ Shorty's Mexican Roadhouse ★

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