

ANNOUNCEMENTS — April 28, 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.

Preaching and assisting in our service this morning is Charity Omartian. Charity is presently working as a member of the chaplaincy staff at Lowell General Hospital. She has completed her seminary training and presented her ordination paper before the Committee on Ministry of the Hillsborough Association of the United Church of Christ on April 25. Charity is married to James and they have two young children, Thomas and Violet. Charity is the daughter of Ron and Kathy Jean.

Activities for the week

Sunday, Apr 28	Worship	9:00 a.m.
	Worship / NO Sunday School	10:30 a.m.
Monday	Men's Breakfast at Denny's	7:15 a.m.
Wednesday	Confirmation Class	5-6 p.m.
Thursday	Knitting Group	
	Senior Choir	7:00 p.m.
Saturday	Mission Trip Yard Clean-Ups	9-11 a.m.
Sunday, May 5	Communion Worship	9:00 a.m.
	Communion Worship / Sunday School	10:30 a.m.
	<i>New Members Join the Church</i>	
	Handbell Practice	11:45 a.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 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.



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!

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 currently have 41 shawls, so we need a few more — 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.



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.

🎵 **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.

The 2013 Christmas Fair is already scheduled on the November calendar, but we need volunteers to sign up and help make it a big success! **Sign up on the sheet posted on the bulletin board** across from Rev Smith's office. We need people to help out in all areas – publicity, crafts, pet boutique, Angel Loft, luncheon, book room, and general organization. No matter what your interests or talents may be, there's a place for you to help! (And don't feel limited by the numbered slots in each category – just add your name wherever you wish!)



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 4/25/2013</u>	<u>2013 Budget</u>
2013 Pledges	\$ 73,187	\$ 238,000
Loose Offering	\$ 8,446	\$ 20,000
Budgeted Expenses	\$ 95,000	\$ 332,590

Collections April 21 \$3,287 Needed Weekly \$4,962

The May-June issues of *The Upper Room* are now available in regular and large print in the narthex and on the shelf outside the church office.

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 sixth annual Jonathan Gilmour bike ride and walk will be held Saturday, May 11 at the Lawrence Barn, registration beginning at 8:00 AM. It's a fun day, with a 10, 25, or 50-mile ride and, for non-riders, a 3-mile walk. It features a picnic, prizes, massages, and live zoo animals. Proceeds go to scholarships for the staff of the two Boston zoos, to help protect our planet's wildlife. For more information, see the poster on the church bulletin board or go to jonathangilmourfund.org.

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.hbrotary.org.