

ANNOUNCEMENTS — July 21, 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, July 21	Worship	9:00 a.m.
	Commissioning of our Workcampers	
	Congregational meeting	10:15 a.m.
Monday	Men's Breakfast at Denny's	7:15 a.m.
Sunday, July 28	Worship	9:00 a.m.
	Our Workcampers leave for Spencer, NY very early this morning	

WARRANT

To the members of the Congregational Church of Hollis, New Hampshire, (United Church of Christ) qualified to vote in Church affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet in the Church in said Hollis, New Hampshire, **today, Sunday, July 21** at 10:15 a.m. to consider the following articles:

Article 1: To consider the formation of a search committee for a Settled Pastor.

Article 2: To elect the following members to the search committee for the Settled Pastor:

Dr. James Squires	Chris Guay	Rick Guay
Nate Armstrong	Lydia Schellenberg	Ann Siglin
Gail Harrison	Kristen Berry	Ed Wigfield
Emily Babcock	James Seager	

Article 3: To see if the Church will vote to authorize the Trustees to rent out the parsonage until such time as the Church has a Pastor whose compensation package includes the parsonage, and to further authorize the Trustees to enter into such agreements and execute

any and all documents necessary to effect such rental on terms and conditions as the Trustees deem appropriate.

Robbin Dunn, Church Clerk

Search Update: Members of the **Interim Pastor Search Committee** have begun their work to select a candidate to serve as our pastor and teacher during the period between Rev. Smith's departure and the selection of our settled pastor. Committee members are:

Dee Wagner	Susan Adams	Traci Weaver
David Lowrance	Thom Davies	

Update — Asbestos abatement / Heating upgrade: Asbestos ceiling tile abatement work has been completed. Ceilings above Parkhurst Room, CE office and hallway were reinsulated and new ceilings installed in the upper level rooms. Electrical fixtures have been rehung and the rooms have been painted; Parkhurst Room has been carpeted; the storage unit was emptied and removed. Furniture has been returned to the upper level rooms. Flag Room (lower level) ceiling will be left open to facilitate heating distribution system work on the pipes and valves above the ceiling area. Once the heating system upgrade is complete, a new ceiling will be installed in Flag Room and the room will be painted.

The old boiler was removed, and a crew of church members cleaned and repainted the boiler room. The heating contractors have installed two new smaller boilers and are working on heat zones throughout the church. Heating system upgrade work will continue for several more weeks.

Thanks, The Facilities Committee and Trustees



Last Chance for Canned Goods Collection

Mission Trip workcampers continue to collect canned goods to bring with us to Spencer, NY next Sunday, July 28. Please leave any donations on the counter in the church office.

Rev. Larry and Laurie Smith are now spending most of their time in their new home (1 Cheever Lane, Mont Vernon, NH 03057). If you need to contact Rev. Smith and are unable to reach him at the parsonage (465-2188), you may call him in Mont Vernon at 554-1399.

There will be **NO church office hours** this week. The office will re-open on Thursday, August 1st for usual Thursday and Friday morning hours, 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon.

Publication of *The Chimes* newsletter resumes in September.

The deadline for the September *Chimes* is **Thursday, August 15.**

Please submit all articles in writing to the church office or via email to churchoffice@hollischurch.org.

June - August Item of the Month: Support for “Backpacks for

Back-to-School.” During the summer months, please show your support for the Nashua Soup Kitchen & Shelter’s Backpack program – specifically, we are looking for donations of the following items:

- boxes of 24 count **Crayola crayons**
- boxes of **colored pencils** (bright or bold)
- **#2 pencils** in the 12 or 24 count
- small handheld **pencil sharpeners**



And, certainly, **new backpacks** for boys and girls of all ages, K - grade 12, are also most welcome.



There are other items you can donate too -- for example, filler paper, spiral notebooks, glue sticks, pencil boxes or pouches. **Please place items in**

the shopping cart now located in the narthex.

Important Note: Donations will need to be dropped off at the church **no later than Friday, August 9th**, so that the NSKS staff and volunteers can properly fill and distribute the backpacks in time for the start of the school year. Thank you!

Financial Update:	<u>Through 7/19/2013</u>	<u>2013 Budget</u>
2013 Pledges	\$ 114,826	\$ 238,000
Loose Offering	\$ 11,600	\$ 20,000
Budgeted Expenses	\$ 234,169	\$ 332,590

Collections July 14 \$2,083 Needed Weekly \$4,962

The July-August issue of *The Upper Room* is available in regular and large print in the narthex.



Although many of church family spend time away from home pursuing summer activities, our church in Hollis is open all year around and the church’s expenses do not take a vacation. **Please make**

plans to keep your pledge up to date throughout the summer months even when you can’t attend, by either using your bank’s Bill Pay service or mailing in your offerings. Many thanks, and enjoy your summer holidays.

2013 Christmas Fair News

Mark your calendars *now* with the new date: **December 7, 2013**

Wake up your Christmas Spirit, and consider how your talents can be utilized to make this fair a success!



- If you spend your summer vacation knitting, crocheting, or enjoying some other craft pursuit, could you plan to make a little something for the Fair? **We need craft items**, especially scarves and hats.
- If you’re cleaning out your bookshelves, please **save your old books to donate to our Book Room** at the Fair.
- **Needed: small jam jars** for our strawberry jam makers. Drop the jars off at church or contact Amy Watson (465-7970 or amyfwatson@charter.net). If you would like to try your hand at making jams for the fair, Amy would be happy to share her recipes with you, too!

As with anything big at Hollis Church, many hands make labor light, and we could really use however much help you’d like to give us, a lot or a little. There’s a **signup sheet** on the bulletin board. *Putting your name on it does NOT mean you’re going to have to do it all by yourself!* Let us know if you’d like to be involved, and we’ll call you or email you and find out how much. If we get a little done over the summer, we’ll be well on our way to a terrific fair on December 7, right after Thanksgiving.

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