

## ANNOUNCEMENTS — August 11, 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.

**You are invited to offer prayer requests** using the request cards located in the pew racks. Please give the cards to a deacon at the beginning of the service. Prayer requests may also be made via email to Pastor@HollisChurch.org or to Prayer Chain contact Lydia Schellenberg at 465-2495.

### Activities for the week

Sunday, Aug 11	Worship	9:00 a.m.
Monday	Men's Breakfast at Denny's	7:15 a.m.
	Farewell Committee meeting	7:00 p.m.
Tuesday	Search Committee meeting	7:00 p.m.
Thursday	September <i>Chimes</i> deadline	
Sunday, Aug 18	Worship	9:00 a.m.

**Rev. Smith is on vacation for the month of August.** He and Laurie are spending most of their time in their new home (1 Cheever Lane, Mont Vernon, NH 03057) or at their lake home near Keene. 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.

**Summer hours for the church office** through mid-August are **Thursdays and Fridays only**, from 8:00am until 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.

### **Update on Asbestos abatement and Heating upgrade:**

#### Completed work:

- Asbestos ceiling tile abatement work
- Ceilings above Parkhurst Room, CE office and hallway were reinsulated

- Upper level rooms - new ceilings installed, electrical fixtures rehung, and the rooms painted
- Parkhurst Room has been carpeted
- Storage unit was emptied and removed
- Furniture has been returned to the upper level rooms.
- Old boiler was removed, and a crew of church members cleaned and repainted the boiler room
- Heating contractors installed two new smaller boilers
- Heating contractors rezoned the heat throughout the church and installed programmable thermostats
- Heat pipes have been insulated

The heating system upgrade is nearly complete.

#### Work yet to be completed:

- Install ceiling in Flagg Room (lower level)
- Paint Flagg Room
- Move furnishings back into Flagg Room
- Reinstall heat/smoke detectors into ceiling tiles
- Window treatments for Parkhurst Room
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Thanks, The Facilities Committee and Trustees

### **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	

### **Settled Pastor Search Committee** members are:

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

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

## **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.



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.

**The July-August and September-October issues of *The Upper Room*** are available in regular and large print in the narthex and on the shelf outside the office.

**Financial Update:**    Through 8/09/2013              2013 Budget

2013 Pledges              \$ 122,221              \$ 238,000

Loose Offering              \$ 12,235              \$ 20,000

Budgeted Expenses      \$ 265,220              \$ 332,590

Collections Aug 4      \$2,044      Needed Weekly      \$4,962

**Help the 2014 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!

**The NH UCC Women's Fellowship** invites all women of the church to their **two-day fall retreat** at the Woodbound Inn in Rindge, NH on October 18-19. The program is *Approaching Prayer* and will offer many different types of prayer experience including a Taize workshop. The cost is \$90 per person (\$70 if you register by August 1) and includes room, 3 meals, and all events. See the poster on the bulletin board or call Dot Pitman 465-7672 for more information.