

ANNOUNCEMENTS — August 18, 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 18	Worship	9:00 a.m.
Monday	Men's Breakfast at Denny's	7:15 a.m.
Sunday, Aug 25	Worship	9:00 a.m.
Monday, Aug 26	CE Board meeting	7:00 p.m.
Tuesday, Aug 27	Sunday School Ice Cream Social	1:00 p.m.
	Stewardship Board meeting	7:00 p.m.



**WELCOME BACK**

Let's kick off the new school year with an

**ICE CREAM SOCIAL**

**Tuesday, August 27<sup>th</sup>** starting at 1:00 p.m.

We will say good bye to summer and hello to a new school year. Join us at the Hollis Congregational Church for an open house ice cream social. *Everyone! Every grade!* You and your friends are welcome to create your favorite sundae.

**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.

**The Church Office is open Monday - Friday**, from 8:00am until 12:00 noon.

**Teacher Training:** All of our new and returning teachers are asked to attend one of the two teacher training sessions being offered. The first session is **Sunday, August 25** at 10:00 a.m., immediately following the 9:00 church service. The second will be on **Thursday, September 5** at 7:00 p.m. Please RSVP to Amy Zapp at amyce@hollischurch.org or in the church office (465-7797). We look forward to seeing you all there!

**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

Thanks, The Facilities Committee and Trustees



**Bud Vases Needed:** Do you have bud vases at home that you can donate? Our supply of vases used for baptismal flowers needs to be replenished. Drop off bud vases in the church office. Thank you!

### Search Update:

Members of the **Interim Pastor Search Committee** are making progress in 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!

**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.

<b>Financial Update:</b>	<u>Through 8/16/2013</u>	<u>2013 Budget</u>
2013 Pledges	\$ 125,085	\$ 238,000
Loose Offering	\$ 12,322	\$ 20,000
Budgeted Expenses	\$ 275,062	\$ 332,590

Collections Aug 11	\$2,951	Needed Weekly	\$4,962
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### 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!

### 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.

**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.