

ANNOUNCEMENTS — September 21, 2014

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, Sept 21	Worship	9:00 a.m.
	Worship and Sunday School	10:30 a.m.
	Pre-Teen & Teen Handbells	11:30 a.m.
	Naomi Circle potluck luncheon	1:00 p.m.
Monday	Men's Breakfast at Denny's	7:15 a.m.
	Ladies' Breakfast at Joey's	8:00 a.m.
Tuesday	Staff meeting	11:00 a.m.
Sunday, Sept 28	Worship	9:00 a.m.
	Worship and Sunday School	10:30 a.m.
	<i>Fire Drill during 10:30 worship</i>	
	Confirmation student/parent meeting	11:45 a.m.
	Mission Trip Informational meeting	11:45 a.m.

The Naomi Circle will start the year with a Potluck Luncheon at the home of Susan Gorham, 64 Baxter Road, Hollis, **today, Sunday, September 21**, at 1:00 p.m. ALL WOMEN OF THE CHURCH are invited! Bring a casserole or salad (dessert provided). We'll share a fellowship, good food, and plan for the upcoming year.

Fire Drill: We will be conducting the annual fire drill during the 10:30 worship hour on Sunday, September 28th!

Confirmation News: A Student/Parent Orientation Session is scheduled for **Sunday, September 28**, immediately following the 10:30 service in the meetinghouse.

2015 Mission Trip informational meeting for workcampers, parents, and anyone who would like to learn more about our 2015 Mission Trip to Charlotte, New York will be held at 11:45 a.m. next Sunday, September 28, in the Parkhurst Room.

Interested in joining our church family? If you would like to explore becoming a member of our church, please contact Bonnie via email at pastor@hollischurch.org or call the church office 465-7797.

Rev. Bonnie Stagg, our Interim Minister, invites you to stop in at her office when you visit the church. Her set office hours are Wednesdays, 9:30 am – 12 noon, but you may contact her via email (pastor@hollischurch.org) or phone 603-247-5489 at any time.

Youth Group News!

Last Sunday, both the JYG and SYG enjoyed fun, fellowship, and food at their Kickoffs. **Join the Youth Groups** for their next monthly fellowship activity on **Sunday, October 19th**! Juniors meet from 4 to 5:30 pm and Seniors gather at 6:30 until 8 pm in Hardy Hall.

On Friday, the SYG had an overnight outing whereas the **JYG** will have their **Beaver Brook overnight on Friday, October 24th**. Sign-up is required via email to birchcw@yahoo.com.

**September Mission Item of the Month:
Sweaters, Coats, and Jackets**

Time to Clean Out Those Closets!

The 21st annual "Sweater Weather" Recycling Campaign is in progress, and your donations of new or gently used clean sweaters, coats and jackets of all sizes are needed. The items are collected and donated during the fall months to various agencies in the Nashua area, and will be distributed to individuals and families in need.



Sweaters, Coats, Jackets



Is there a college freshman in your family? Please provide us with their name and address for newsletters and our freshman care package project. **Contact the church office** (churchoffice@hollischurch.org or 465-7797) with the information. **Please also update college addresses of upper classmen** so we can send them our monthly newsletters.

The September-October issue of *The Upper Room* is available in regular and large print in the narthex and on the shelf outside the office.

Christmas Fair News

The Fair will be Saturday, **November 22, 2014**



Do you like to sew? If so (sew?), there are still items to be made for the Christmas Fair's Kitchen Corner. **Kits with directions** are available for various items such as aprons, microwave potholders, placemats, and napkins. Call Dee Wagner at 465-2562.

Needed: 80%-100% wool sweaters in any condition (moth holes are OK!) for recycling into mittens. Give to Eileen in the office.

Needed: small canning jars (4 oz or 8 oz) for Amy Watson's Christmas Fair jelly and jam making. Leave in the church office.

Financial Update:	<u>Through 9/18/14</u>	<u>2014 Budget</u>
2014 Pledges	\$ 143,190	\$ 232,000
Loose Offering	\$13,975	\$ 20,000
Budgeted Expenses	\$ 207,865	\$ 343,642

Collections Sept 14: \$4,563

Pastoral Search Fund: \$10,548



It's time to think about your annual pledge!

By now, you've received your letter from the Christian Stewardship Board kicking off the annual fall campaign. **We would like everyone to complete the pledge card enclosed in the letter.** The committee encourages people to

contact their local banks to explore making their payments electronically. If you are interested, ask your bank how your weekly donations can be sent to the church without you writing a check! The traditional envelopes will also still be available for those who prefer them. Use the payment method that is easiest for you, but **please remember to complete and return your pledge card by November 5th!**



The **2014 CROP Walk** to end hunger will be Sunday, Oct 26. If you're interested in walking, please contact Gail Harrison and Tom Army (465-9451) for a walker's packet. In the coming weeks, Confirmation class students and other participants will be seeking sponsors.

Meanwhile, the CROP Walk coordinating team is busy raising funds to put on the walk. They invite you to the...

CROP WALK BOOK SALE

This year the proceeds from the books sold at the left hand entrance of Hannaford's on Coliseum Ave. in Nashua between **Sunday, October 12th and Saturday, October 18th** will go to this year's Crop Walk. Great books at bargain prices and each purchase benefits the Nashua Area CROP Hunger Walk!

The NH UCC Women's Fellowship invites all women of the church to their **fall meeting *An Attitude of Gratitude*** on Wednesday, October 8 at the First Congregational Church in Haverhill, NH. \$10 cost includes lunch and programs *We're not getting older, we're getting better* and *Yoga for all of us*. See the poster on the bulletin board or call Dot Pitman 465-7672 for more information.

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