



The Mission Bell



October 2026

7th Annual Festival of Hope

The **7th Annual Festival of Hope** took place on Saturday, September 12th at Plainfield Town Hall. This was a family friendly event sponsored by local Christian churches featuring Live Christian Music, Prayer Tent, Praise and Worship, fellowship and youth activities. St. Paul's had a table at the event where we gave away cookbooks as well as brochure's about St. Paul's to promote our church. Special thanks to Alisha Knox for organizing St. Paul's participation in this event.



Alisha & Pastor Mary at the Saint Paul's tent

Rectory Tree Removed

On Wednesday, September 16th, a large maple tree that stood between the church and rectory was removed by the professionals of A&D Tree Service out of Plainfield. The main reason for the tree removal was the fact that the tree was leaning towards the rectory and several large branches were actual hanging out over the roof.



Tree being removed



St. Paul's tent



Stump of the tree

Prayer List For October

Carol & John Robella
Pastor Mary & Mitchell Robinson
Rich, Hong & Ryan Sabrowske

Max & Christina Sherman
Dianne Sibley
Adriann & Ernie Smith

Edgar & Sandra Smith
Stasia Staskivitch
Ruth Swanick

Barbara Turenne
Henry & Beth Turenne
Roxanne Turenne

LORD, WE PRAY THAT YOUR GRACE MAY ALWAYS
PRECEDE AND FOLLOW US, THAT WE MAY CONTINUALLY
BE GIVEN TO GOOD WORKS; THROUGH JESUS CHRIST
OUR LORD, WHO LIVES AND REIGNS WITH YOU AND THE
HOLY SPIRIT, ONE GOD, NOW AND FOR EVER. AMEN+

Project P.I.N.

Reminder that **Sunday, October 11th** is **Project P.I.N. Sunday**. The **P.I.N. pantry** is always in need of Jelly, Spaghetti Sauce, Beef Stew, Canned Meats, Canned Ravioli, Spaghetti O's, Spaghetti & Meatballs, Coffee, Tuna Fish, Canned fruit. Items can be placed in the P.I.N. box in the Narthex.

Blessing of the Animals

The tradition of blessing animals became formalized in Christianity through **St. Francis of Assisi (1181–1226)**, the patron saint of animals and ecology. Francis preached that all creatures were part of God's creation and deserved compassion. Stories of him blessing wolves, birds, and farm animals became central to Franciscan spirituality. After his death, October 4th, the Feast of St. Francis, became the most common date for animal blessing ceremonies. By the late Middle Ages, Franciscan communities across Europe were blessing livestock, working animals, and later companion animals. This year, at St. Paul's we will celebrate

the blessing of animals on October 11th during the 9:00 worship service. Pets, pictures of pets or favorite stuffed animal toys can be brought for a ceremonial blessing.

Bible Study

Please join Pastor Mary for **Bible Study** on **Wednesday's** at **10 a.m.** in the Church Office. The appointed texts from the Bible for the future Sunday worship are read verse by verse. After each member has heard the text there is conversation about what has been read, questions and comments are given. All are welcome to attend so bring your bible. For more information, speak to Pastor Mary.

Vestry Meeting

Reminder: The next scheduled **Vestry Meeting** is on **Sunday, October 18th** following our worship service.

Episcopal Church in CT 242nd Annual Convention

The **Episcopal Church in Connecticut's (EECT) 242nd Annual Convention** will be **Friday, October 23rd** through **Saturday, October 24th** at the **Bristol Event Center in Bristol Connecticut**. To follow online and see highlights or for more information, go to www.episcopalct.org.

Reminder: Set Your Clocks Ahead

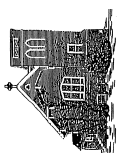


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Yes, that's right. It soon will be time to "Fall Back" and set your clocks back with Daylight Savings Time ending. So on Saturday night, **October 31st**, when you go to bed make sure you have set your clocks back 1 hour so you are not late for church on **Sunday, November 1st!**



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