



The Mission Bell



September 2026

Summer Worship Services

Outdoor Worship Services returned to St. Paul's on Sunday's in **July and August** beginning **Sunday, July 12th** and ran until **Sunday, August 9th** where we were forced indoors due to high humidity followed by several wet Sunday's. During the days we were outdoors we really lucked out with clear, sunny skies and beautiful temperatures.



Pastor Mary prepares our outdoor Altar area



Mitch playing his guitar

We were also blessed to have music outside as Pastor Mary Robinson's husband Mitch led us playing his guitar as we sang songs from the

past when we had a guitar choir. And a special thanks to Edgar and Sandy Smith for loaning us their large outdoor tent so we could be seated in the shade.

During the month of July we celebrated with services from the Prayer Book and the Celtic tradition, an ancient style of Christian worship that developed in Ireland and Scotland. In the month of August we switched our service from the Celtic tradition to one from the New Zealand Prayer Book.



Awaiting the start of service outdoors



Pastor Mary greets parishioners prior to our service

Prayer List For September

Karen, Amanda & Alyssa Lanphear
Bobby LeMay
Lindi LeMay

Liz & Aiden Lemieux
Cynthia & Richard Lewis
Kim, Roger, Jeff & Samantha Maxson

Philip Maxson
Anne & Larry Ouillette
Melinda & Walter Parcinski

Rosemarie & Roger Pussinen
Ray & Sandra Rickey
Carol Riley

**GRANT US, O LORD, TO TRUST IN YOU WITH ALL OUR
HEARTS; FOR, AS YOU ALWAYS RESIST THE PROUD
WHO CONFIDE IN THEIR OWN STRENGTH, SO YOU
NEVER FORSAKE THOSE WHO MAKE THEIR BOAST OF
YOUR MERCY; 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, September 13th** 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.

Bible Study

"Bible Study" is listed in many congregation's bulletin, newsletter, and announcements. Just what is a Bible Study? One description is "A Bible Study is like a "Book Club" except in a Bible Study the members read the book."

Here at St. Paul that is exactly what happens on **Wednesdays** at **10:00 am**. 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, September 20th** following our worship service.

In Memory of Joyce Bouthillier 5/26/1938 – 2/27/2021 & Maurice Bouthillier 8/29/1936 – 7/4/2026



Thank You, Thank You

During the month of **July** until **August 23rd**, St. Paul's had a **Teacher Supply Drive** to help local teachers start the school year strong and create welcoming classrooms to empower students for success. Items collected included **Pencils, Pens (Gel and Flair), Dry Erase Markers (Expo) and Glue Sticks**. Other items donated included **Colored Pencils, Sticky Notes, Tissues and Hand Sanitizer**. The response was overwhelming. Thank you for your kindness and caring with this important ministry. And thanks to Sandra Smith and

Robin Hoffman for leading the effort and thanks to Myra Ambrogi who delivered the items to local schools.



Some of the donated items



Donated items were packed in several large baskets

End of Summer Picnic

On Sunday, August 30th Senior Warden Kathy Dubois hosted an end of the summer picnic at her home in Lisbon for St. Paul's parishioners. Kathy supplied the hamburgers, hot dogs and chicken as well as beverages. Items brought by parishioners included a taco salad, coleslaw and other salads. Thanks Kathy, the food and

fellowship with each other as great. Special thanks to Sandy Rickey for her expert grilling!



Enjoying the day at Kathy's home

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.

7th Annual Festival of Hope

The **7th Annual Festival of Hope**, will take place **Saturday, September 12th** from **11 a.m. until 5 p.m.**, **Plainfield Town Hall, 8 Community Ave, Plainfield**. This is a family friendly event sponsored by local Christian churches featuring Live Christian Music, Prayer Tent, Praise and Worship, fellowship, youth activities, meet local Christian Ministries. St. Paul's will have a table at the event where we will be giving away cookbooks as well as brochure's about St. Paul's. If you would like to volunteer to spend some time at the table, please speak to Alisha Knox. Please see the flyer for the event on the next page.

"Creating a Tsunami of Hope for the World"

Jeremiah 29:11

**7TH
ANNUAL**

**FREE
EVENT!**

2026
Festival
OF
Hope

Saturday, September 12

11am – 5pm



**8 COMMUNITY AVENUE
PLAINFIELD TOWN HALL**

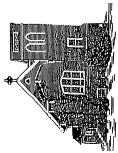
**GREAT
FOOD!**



**A Family
Friendly Event** 

Bring your own lawnchairs

**For details: Rev. Linda Foye Hirtle, 860-917-0077
Community Christian Fellowship**



St. Paul's Episcopal Church

Sunday		Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday		Saturday	
August S M T W T F S 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31				1 7:00 PM AA Closed Discussion Meeting		2 10:00 AM Bible Study		3 7:30 PM AA Open Speaker Discussion Meeting		4		5 9:00 AM SAA Meeting 7:30 PM AA Open Big Book Meeting	
6 15 Pentecost 9:00 AM H.E. Rite II The Rev. Mary Robinson		7 Labor Day		8 7:00 PM AA Closed Discussion Meeting		9 10:00 AM Bible Study		10 7:30 PM AA Open Speaker Discussion Meeting		11		12 7th Annual Festival of Hope 9:00 AM SAA Meeting 11:00 AM Festival of Hope at Plainfield Town Hall 7:30 PM AA Open Big Book Meeting	
13 16 Pentecost 9:00 AM H.E. Rite II The Rev. Mary Robinson		14 Holy Cross Day		15 7:00 PM AA Closed Discussion Meeting		16 10:00 AM Bible Study		17 7:30 PM AA Open Speaker Discussion Meeting		18		19 9:00 AM SAA Meeting 7:30 PM AA Open Big Book Meeting	
20 P.I.N. Sunday				21 St. Matthew, Apostle & Evangelist		22 7:00 PM AA Closed Discussion Meeting		23 10:00 AM Bible Study		24 7:30 PM AA Open Speaker Discussion Meeting		25	
26 17 Pentecost 9:00 AM H.E. Rite II The Rev. Mary Robinson 10:00 AM Vestry Meeting				27 St. Michael & All Angels 7:00 PM AA Closed Discussion Meeting		28 10:00 AM Bible Study		29		30		31	

If your name or address is incorrect on our mailing label, please use this form to let us know of the necessary corrections. You may also use this form if you wish to begin receiving THE MISSION BELL and other mailings from St. Paul's Church. Please drop this form on the Rector's desk or mail it to the office at: St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 27 Babcock Ave, Plainfield, CT 06374.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Senior Warden

Kathy Dubois

Junior Warden

Greg Berndt

Treasurer

David Hoffman

Clerks

Myra Ambrogi

Editor of The Mission Bell

David & Robin Hoffman

SEPTEMBER 2026 SCHEDULES

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER:

09/06 GREG BERNDT
09/13 KATHY DUBOIS
09/20 GREG BERNDT
09/27 KATHY DUBOIS

LECTOR:

KATHY DUBOIS
GREG BERNDT
DAVID HOFFMAN
GLENN BOUTHILLIER

ALTAR GUILD:

BRENDA BERNDT
DIANNE SIBLEY & ADRIANN SMITH
BRENDA BERNDT
DIANNE SIBLEY & ADRIANN SMITH

**St. Paul's Episcopal Church
27 Babcock Ave
Plainfield, CT 06374
(860) 564-3560
<http://stpaulplainfield.org>**

