

Weekly Announcements 9/13/26

Check the [online calendar](#) for the most up-to-date information.

We have officially closed the 4 County Rd church office. To make an appointment:

Deb - cceastford@gmail.com or call/text 860-974-0294

Pastor Mike - mltamoran@gmail.com or call/text 860-942-6617

Pastor Evan - evan.cceastford@gmail.com or call/text 860-794-0045

Sep 15 Women's Bible Study

- 8:30 AM will meet at Terri Warren's home, 99 Mill Bridge Rd #2, Eastford
- **CHANGE: 6:30 PM Bible Study will meet at Lisa Kellermann's home, 9 Lake Drive, Eastford**

Saturdays until we're in the new building, Saturday Men's Group will meet at Matt Durning's home, 289 Barlow Cemetery Rd, Woodstock

Sep 16 at 6 PM: Craft Night at Terri Warren's home, 99 Mill Bridge Rd #2, Eastford

Oct and Nov Worship Training: Tuesday Nights | 6:00–7:15 PM | Green Valley Crossing, 75 Railroad St, Putnam, CT 06255 | Open to anyone middle school age and up. The cost of the course is \$50. If you would like to participate and do not own a guitar, please let Christian Wolfe know Christian.Wolfe92@gmail.com. If you'd like to register, also email Shaun Tucker shaun@gvc.church.

Torah Club on Tuesdays from 6 – 8 PM beginning Oct 6 - Year-long small-group Bible study discipleship community discovering the Scriptures from a Messianic Jewish perspective, featuring 49 weekly lessons. Participants receive printed lesson books, weekly video teachings, and access to Club Hub—an online space for ongoing discussion, questions, and connection with the wider Torah Club community. This year's study is called "The Narrow Path". Jesus has something to say about every aspect of how we live our lives, interact with our neighbors, conduct business, handle our resources, and serve God. Limit 10 participants. Membership Fee \$80/year. Contact Bruce Barlow 269 719 6020 bsbarlow@gmail.com or sign up at torahclub.org and use Zip Code 06242.

Laugh for Life – Fundraiser for Caring Families - Friday, October 16 at 7 PM - RHAM Auditorium, Hebron, Connecticut - \$25 Advance Tickets \$45 Date Night Package • 2 Tickets, Advance pricing ends Sunday, October 4. Visit <https://cceastford.org/events/> for more info..

GriefShare's Surviving the Holidays - Nov 19 from 5:30 – 7:30 PM. <https://cceastford.org/griefshare/>

DivorceCare's Surviving the Holidays – Nov 22 from 4 – 6 PM. <https://cceastford.org/divorcecare/>

Let's continue building our church together! \$43,114 still needed as of 9/10/26 for uninsured expenses. *On the insured side, members voted at the Congregational Meeting on 8/23/26 to move \$90,000 from undesignated funds to the building fund to mitigate our cash flow shortfall while we await receipt of insurance money.*

To support our church financially: There is an offering box on the round table as you enter the gym on Sundays (there are envelopes to put your name and place cash/check to "CCE"). We also have online giving at <https://cceastford.org/give/>. "Offerings" support pastors, missions, ministries, and operations. "Rebuild" supports the uninsured needs of rebuilding our church.

Willing to be a communion server? Contact Johanna Wolfe at (401) 992-4134 or rjwolfe808@gmail.com.

Welcome Ministry – Interested in joining this newly-formed team? Contact Pastor Mike.

Firewood Ministry: Interested in helping cut, split, and stack firewood? Contact John Leavitt (860-559-1545 or jwleavitt69@gmail.com) to help on Saturday mornings. This ministry prioritizes delivery to senior citizens, widows, and single parents.

Praise Chorus – Do you love to sing and praise the Lord? Sue Leavitt is looking to raise up treble voices (including children who love to sing) to present a song of praise to celebrate our new church. Please contact Sue at 860-836-0394.

Willing to help with after-school board games or crafts on one or more Wednesdays each month (3:45 – 4:45 pm) when the school year begins? Contact Allison Gormley at birdingis4me@gmail.com.



We will now be using Planning Center's "Church Center" app.

For everyone:

- Download Church Center through Google Play or the App Store and select Congregational Church of Eastford (or scan QR code).
- Enter your cell phone number. (If you are a member, your name should be there and if it isn't, that means I didn't have your cell, so go ahead and create a new account and I will merge your other information. If you're not a member, you can also use the app and create an account!)
- Active icons include Home (with links to website, calendar, sermons, and giving), Events, and Directory (for members).
- At the top, you'll see a round bubble with your initials. Click on this and at the top, you'll see "Hello, (your name)!" and this is where you can update your information and settings.

For those who serve in Nursery, Bible Explorers, Band, or Communion:

- Please set your block-out dates so schedulers don't choose you on weeks you are away.
- You will receive emails from schedulers so please accept (or decline if needed) in a timely fashion so we're adequately staffed each Sunday.
- *Please note that parents will receive emails for student helpers in their household, so watch for the position title in the email.*

Prefer to use "Church Center" on your computer? Visit <https://cceastford.churchcenter.com/>. Need help? Contact Deb T (cceastford@gmail.com) or call and leave a message 860-974-0294).

ONGOING MINISTRIES:

- **ACOALO (Caregiver Support Group):** 2nd Thursdays at 7 pm (Eastford Public Library)
- **Celebrate Recovery:** Tuesdays at 6:30 pm (First Congregational Church of Pomfret) – ***Will move to Wednesdays in the new building.***
- **Church Council:** 2nd Wednesdays at 7 pm
- **DivorceCare:** Nov 22 from 4 – 6 PM: **DivorceCare's Surviving the Holidays**
- **Elders:** Wednesdays at 4:00 pm
- **Finance Team:** 1st Fridays at 4 pm
- **GriefShare:** ***Planning to be on Thursdays in the new building. Nov 19 from 5:30 – 7:30 PM: GriefShare's Surviving the Holidays***
- **Kids' Club (Grades K-6) and Youth Group (Grades 7-12) on Sundays from 2 - 3:30 PM at Eastford Baptist** (until new building is ready) - THEN KIDS' CLUB WILL MOVE TO TUESDAY NIGHTS FROM 6:00 – 7:30 PM, YOUTH GROUP WILL REMAIN ON SUNDAY AFTERNOONS
- **Life Group:** Fridays at 6 pm (Leavitts' Home, 194 Old Town Rd, Ashford) - 1st Fridays include potluck at 5:30 pm
- **Men's Bible Study:** Saturdays at 7 am – **Matt Durning's home until we are in the new building (289 Barlow Cemetery Rd, Woodstock)**
- **Men's Campfire Ministry:** Monthly on Friday evenings (See Events page or Pastor Evan for details)
- **Prayer**
 - Tuesdays at 7 pm (Zoom)
 - Thursdays at 6:30 am (Zoom)
 - Sundays at 9:30 am (Bible Explorer classroom)
 - Sundays after Worship (back corner of the gym)
 - 2nd and 4th Mondays at 6 pm (Contact Lory Kneeland for location lorykneeland@gmail.com)
- **Women's Ministry**
 - Mondays at 6:30 pm Bible Study (Ciovaccos' Home, 170 Joy Rd, Woodstock – On break until Fall 2026)
 - Tuesdays at 8:30 am Bible Study – **Terri Warren's home until we are in the new building (99 Mill Bridge Rd #2, Eastford)**
 - Tuesdays at 6:30 pm Bible Study – **9/15 at Lisa Kellermann's home, 9 Lake Drive, Eastford**
 - 3rd Wednesdays at 6 pm Get Crafty (Terri Warren's home, 99 Mill Bridge Rd #2, Eastford)
- **Worship Service:** Sundays at 10 am (Eastford Elementary School)
 - **Childcare/Nursery** for ages Birth – Pre-K
 - **Bible Explorers** for Grades K – 4 (Wait to be dismissed from Worship Service)