

St. Paul's Church

National Park Service
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National Historic Site
New York



Plan Your Visit

St. Paul's Church is located at 897 S. Columbus Avenue in Mount Vernon.

The church and museum are open daily from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., the grounds from dawn until dusk.

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ST. PAUL'S CHURCH

NATIONAL PARKS OF NEW YORK HARBOR



Battle of Pell's Point Encampment

October 17 & 18, 2008

Join the National Park Service for a day of living history commemorating the Battle of Pell's Point, which took place in 1776 a short distance from St. Paul's Church.

At 7 p.m., Friday, October 17, enjoy a Candlelight Tour & Historic Music Program. Visitors will tour the historic cemetery by candlelight, visiting the graves of soldiers and civilians who lived through the American Revolution, as well be able to hear a performance of 18th-century music by Linda Russell & Companie. Light refreshments will be served.

On October 18, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., explore a Revolutionary encampment. Enjoy period music and dancing while discovering the crafts and cooking of the era. Children can participate in traditional games and play with period toys. Costumed re-enactors, representing the armies that fought in the American Revolution, will take part in drills and musket firings as well as give presentations.

Visitors may also tour the historic cemetery which contains burial stones dating to 1704 as well as the remnant of a Village Green that was the scene of the famous Election of 1733 which raised issues of Freedom of Religion and the Press.

Additionally, educational programs for school groups will be held on Thursday and Friday, October 16 and 17.



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Full Program Schedule

October 17
7 p.m.

Concert of colonial folk music, by the renowned Linda Russell and Companie, in the historic church, followed by a candlelight tour of the historic cemetery, visiting the graves of soldiers and civilians who lived through the American Revolution.

October 18

- 10:00 a.m. Event Begins. Continuous demonstrations on the Village Green, including open-hearth cooking, historic games and toys, period crafts and music, General Washington, and many other Revolutionary War soldiers. Museum opens, featuring exhibitions about the American Revolution. Church opens, with self-guided tours. Student presentation, on the use of the church as a Revolutionary War field hospital.
- 10:20 a.m. Demonstration on use of the church as a field hospital .
- 10:50 a.m. Talk on the Battle of Pell's Point, in the museum, by Ranger Mike Callahan .
- 11:00 a.m. Militia recruitment and drill on the Green, followed by march to the firing range and musket demonstration.
- 11:40 a.m. Demonstration on use of the church as a field hospital.
- Noon Talk in the museum, "Keeping Watch: The Committees of Safety and the American Revolution," by Captain Colin Williams, Department of History, United States Military Academy.
- 1:00 p.m. Ceremony commemorating American Revolution, in the Church, followed by procession to graves of soldiers for wreath-laying ceremony, includes musket firing salute .
- 1:30 p.m. Talk, in the museum, "Who Really Fought at Pell's Point?" by Francis C. Licamelli, Lt. Colonel (ret.), United States Army.
- 1:45 p.m. Militia recruitment and drill, on the Green, and musket firing demonstration.
- 2:10 p.m. Join General Washington and others, for some period dancing, just outside the western entrance to the church.
- 2:30 p.m. Gallery tour , and talk, in the museum, spotlighting the exhibition, "Overlooked Hero: John Glover and the American Revolution," led by staff historian Maria Byrne.
- 2:45 p.m. Militia recruitment and drill, on the Green, and musket firing demonstration.
- 3:10 p.m. Demonstration on use of the church as a hospital .
- 3:50 p.m. Special Musket firing demonstration, several re-enactors at arms.
- 4:00 p.m. Event ends.

Listen for special announcements throughout the day.