

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday, February 24, 2019



If you are a first-time guest or returning visitor to our church family, please allow us to extend a special welcome to you. We offer an invitation for you to join us in the Parish Hall after worship for coffee, tea, cookies, and a chance to learn more about Old First.

Please take this opportunity to be greeted by our members and be introduced to our Pastor, Matthew Means. Thank you for visiting us today and welcome to our family of faith!

### Get Connected to Old First!



With so many exciting opportunities for us to gather together in worship, fellowship, and service; now more than ever, it is very important to “stay connected” to and with Old First!

We share information about our ministries by phone, email, and through our website and Facebook page. If you are not connected, then you just may miss out!

If you are currently not receiving any of these forms of communication from Old First, please contact the church office **TODAY** and provide us with your information! We cannot wait to get ... and *stay* ... connected with you!!!



### **Middle and High School Youth Group Continues TONIGHT @ 6:00 pm!**

Join us from 6:00 - 8:00 pm in the Youth Room for an evening of faith, fun, and fellowship with Pastor Matthew, Kerry, Amy, and all of your friends in faith!

*Our Sunday night Youth Group is the perfect time and place for ALL 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade students to gather together and share the faith journey at Old First!*

### **Kids & Youth Choir and Youth Club Continue Wednesday, February 27<sup>th</sup>!**

*If you are in 1<sup>st</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> grade, this is the perfect place for you to be on Wednesday nights!*

5:00 - 5:30 pm Kids' Choir (Grades 1-3)

5:30 - 6:00 pm Youth Choir (Grades 4-8)

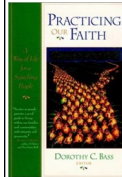
6:00 - 7:00 pm Youth Club Activities (All Ages!) & Dinner

### What Is “Per Capita?”

“Per Capita” is the cost per member given by our church to support the ministry of our Presbytery, Synod, and General Assembly. At **\$38.05 per member**, the total expense to Old First is **roughly \$13,800**. If each of us contributed this amount, we would have **almost \$14,000 more** to fund our ministry! Thank you to all who share in this important way of giving financially!



### In Preparation for the Season of Lent ...



You may want to pick up “*Practicing Our Faith*” by Dorothy Bass (adults) or “*Way to Live*” by Dorothy Bass and Don Richter (youth). We will explore two spiritual practices each week as part of our Lenten worship in order to give us practical tools for being drawn deeper into relationship with our God in Jesus Christ.

Our prayer is for each of our members and friends to learn new spiritual practices that will impact our faith journeys as a community of faith as well as individual disciples of Jesus Christ!



### A Warm Welcome to Our New Members!!!

During our service on Sunday, February 10<sup>th</sup>, we shared the great joy and honor of introducing our new members to the congregation!

Please join us in officially welcoming Bill, Meghan, Billy, and Mackenzie Alexander; Bruce and Arden Benvenuti; Vera Dole; Heather, AbbeyRose, Cassidy, and Evie Goldman; Andrew Schweighardt; Emery and Rosalie Schweighardt; Michael, Madeline, Clara, and Oliver Upston!

**Welcome to the family! We cannot wait to grow with you!**

### Ash Wednesday Worship is Wednesday, March 6<sup>th</sup>!

Mark your calendars for **Wednesday, March 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm** as we gather to remember the frailty of human life, our redemption through the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ, and begin our journey together through the season of Lent by hearing God’s call to repentance and turn our hearts toward God. Our Ash Wednesday worship will feature **Communion** as well as the **Imposition of Ashes**.



This **family-friendly service** will begin at the conclusion of our Wednesday evening Youth Club activities ... so please make plans to worship together as a family!

### St. Patrick's Day Dinner Tickets NOW AVAILABLE!



Please join us on **Saturday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>** as we celebrate St. Patrick’s Day in style at Old First!

This FANTASTIC evening of food, fun, and fellowship will feature a corned beef and cabbage dinner, live music, Irish step-dancing, and more!

Tickets are **NOW AVAILABLE** for purchase (**\$20 adult and \$8 child under 12**) from Priscilla Jahier following worship or by calling her at (631) 351-4941.

### Deacons Scholarship Application Now Available!

If you are an **active member of Old First Presbyterian Church AND a graduating senior**, then now is your time to shine!

Deacons scholarship applications are now available in the church office or via email. Pick up a copy today and submit all required elements **no later than April 21<sup>st</sup>**. Our Deacons are looking forward to partnering with a graduating senior in continued success!

Questions? Please see Martha Tibbetts or Pastor Means!



### The Clothesline Thrift Shop Needs Volunteers!!!



Volunteers are needed on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays from 11:00 am to 4:00 pm. Please call the Thrift Shop during regular hours or contact **Susan Worledge** if you can work a shift or two with us during the week ... even if it is only an hour or two from time to time!

Sermon Notes for  
Sunday, February 24, 2019

**“Fishing with Jesus”**

Key Scriptures:

“The Lord will fulfill his purpose for me;  
your steadfast love, O Lord, endures forever.  
Do not forsake the work of your hands.”

Psalm 138:8

“Then Jesus said to Simon, ‘Do not be afraid;  
from now on you will be catching people.’  
When they had brought their boats to shore,  
they left everything and followed Jesus.”

Luke 5:10-11

When you hear Jesus’ call to those who  
follow him to live as fishers of people,  
what does this call look like for you?

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What are one or two **specific** areas  
in the life and ministry of the church  
where God may be calling you to  
“cast your net” in the year to come?

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In what area(s) of your life is God calling  
you **today** to leave something or someone  
behind in order to live as a more committed  
and faithful disciple of Jesus Christ?

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**WEEKLY EVENTS CALENDAR**

**Sunday, February 24<sup>th</sup>**

**10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Worship**

10:20 - 10:45 a.m. Church School  
Preschool - 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade (Room 102)  
4<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> Grade (Upstairs)

**11:45 a.m. Session Meeting (Room 101)**

**6:00 - 8:00 p.m. Middle and High  
School Youth Group (Youth Room)**

6:15 - 8:45 p.m. AA Meeting (Lower Level - Room 10)

**Monday, February 25<sup>th</sup>**

9:15 - 10:15 a.m. Gentle Bends (Room 102)  
4:30 - 6:00 p.m. Adult Children of Alcoholics (Room 101)  
7:30 - 9:00 p.m. NA Meeting (Lower Level - Room 11)

**Tuesday, February 26<sup>th</sup>**

10:00 a.m. “Last Tuesdays” (Fiske Room)  
11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Thrift Store (Lower Level - Room 11)  
1:00 - 2:00 p.m. AA Meeting (Lower Level - Room 10)  
5:30 - 7:30 p.m. HBF Soccer Club (Gym)  
7:00 p.m. “Stitch Together” Knitting Group (Room 101)

**Wednesday, February 27<sup>th</sup>**

9:15 - 10:15 a.m. Gentle Bends (Room 102)

**5:00 - 7:00 p.m. Kids and Youth  
Choir Rehearsals and Youth Club**

7:00 - 9:15 p.m. AA Meeting (Lower Level - Room 10)  
7:30 - 9:00 p.m. Boy Scouts Troop 32 (Gym)

**Thursday, February 28<sup>th</sup>**

9:30 - 11:00 a.m. PW / Circle 4 Quilting (Room 101)  
11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Thrift Store (Lower Level - Room 11)  
5:00 - 6:00 p.m. HBF Soccer Club (Gym)  
5:00 - 9:30 p.m. Giant Steps (Room 102)  
7:30 - 8:30 p.m. MA Meeting (Lower Level - Room 10)  
**8:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)**

**Friday, March 1<sup>st</sup>**

9:30 - 11:30 a.m. Al-Anon Meeting (Room 101)  
9:45 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. PW / Circle 6 Crafts (Room 212)  
11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Thrift Store (Lower Level - Room 11)

**Sunday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>**

**10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.**

**Worship with Communion**

**6:00 - 8:00 p.m. Middle and High  
School Youth Group (Youth Room)**

6:15 - 8:45 p.m. AA Meeting (Lower Level - Room 10)

**Save the Dates Old First:**

**Ash Wednesday  
March 6<sup>th</sup>**

**St. Patrick’s Day Dinner  
March 23<sup>rd</sup>**