

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday, November 10, 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!!!



Sunday night Middle & High School Youth Group Continues TONIGHT from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

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

In a world that demands a lot from our young adults, what better than an evening devoted to faith, fun, friendships, and fellowship with your church family?

Attention All Current 5th - 8th Grade Students:

Please be in conversation with your families about the Great Escape in Johnstown, PA, from July 27th to August 1st. Deposit money is due January 12th!

Kids & Youth Choir Rehearsals Continue Wednesday, November 13th!

If you are in 1st - 8th grade, this is the perfect Place for you to be on Wednesday nights!

5:00 - 5:30 p.m. — Kids Choir Rehearsal (Grades 1-3)
5:30 - 6:00 p.m. — Youth Choir Rehearsal (Grades 4-8)

Youth Club activities will be held Wednesday, November 20th and will feature our annual Thanksgiving celebration!

PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE CHILDREN UNATTENDED!



Old First Youth Group “Sleeping Out!”

For over four decades, Covenant House has helped transform the lives of more than one million homeless or runaway young people, reaching 80,000 boys and girls each year.

Our Middle and High School Youth are joining the fight by choosing to “sleep out” to raise awareness and support for homeless youth across America. On **Friday, November 15th, from 8:00 p.m. until 8:00 a.m. on Saturday, November 16th**, our youth will be “sleeping out” in the Old First parking lot!

To donate to their cause or for more information, please see any of our youth or contact Jodie Polak. Thank you!



Thanksgiving Baskets Are Coming!

Each year, the Deacons of Old First Church lead us in delivering a week’s worth of groceries and a Thanksgiving dinner to 125 families in our local community!

None of us can do this alone, but need all of us working together to make it happen! Here’s how ...

- * **Starting TODAY — Bring in CLEAN Cardboard Boxes**
- * **Nov. 22nd (10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.) — Fill Baskets**
- * **Nov. 23rd (10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.) — Deliver Baskets**

We Are Still In Need Of Drivers On Saturday!!!

The most vital task in our Thanksgiving basket ministry is delivering the baskets on **Saturday, November 23rd between 10:00 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.** This is the perfect opportunity to share God’s love with families in need within our community! You will receive just as much as you give!



Stewardship Season Continues!

Have you made your 2020 financial pledge?

If so ... thank you for your generosity!

If not ... **there is still time to join us!**

We couldn’t be more excited for what God is doing in the life and ministry of Old First Church! Our annual financial stewardship season sets the tone for the coming year and we cannot wait to continue living into the new and exciting things God is calling us to share together! As you discern your financial contribution to your church family, may God inspire you with a joyful and generous spirit of giving!

Thank You! Thank You! Thank You! Thank You!

To the members, friends, and visitors of Old First who once again gave generously of their time, talent, and donations in support of another wildly successful Fall Fair ... we say to you ... **“THANK YOU!”**



Because of your support, our church family, led by our Presbyterian Women, will continue to support various mission projects - locally and beyond - as we commit to connecting Old First with our surrounding communities.

The Clothesline Thrift Store Needs Volunteers!



The Thrift Store needs **YOU** to offer your time on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays from 11:00 am to 4:00 pm. Please call the Thrift Store during regular hours or contact Susan Worledge directly for more information!

This is a vital mission ministry for Old First and we look forward to the joy of serving our community alongside you!

Sermon Notes for
Sunday, November 10, 2019

“Unexpected Grace”

Key Scriptures:

“Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me?”

Matthew 20:13-15

“So Moses and Aaron said to all the Israelites, ‘In the evening you shall know that it was the Lord who brought you out of the land of Egypt, and in the morning you shall see the glory of the Lord.’”

Ephesians 16:6-7

What does the concept of “grace” mean or look like in your life? How have you experienced God’s grace at various times in your life?

In what ways do you feel deserving or undeserving of God’s grace?

How does your concept of “grace” change when you consider the undeserved, unexpected, freely-given aspects of God’s amazing grace?

WEEKLY EVENTS CALENDAR

Sunday, November 10th

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

10:20 - 11:00 a.m. Church School
Preschool - 3rd Grade (Room 102)
4th - 8th Grade (Upstairs)

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, November 11th

Veteran’s Day - Church Office / Building Closed
No Outside Groups or Activities
Thank You to All Who Have Served!

7:00 p.m. Christian Education Committee (Library)

Tuesday, November 12th

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)
7:00 p.m. Session Meeting (Room 101)

Wednesday, November 13th

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

**5:00 - 5:30 p.m. Kids Choir Rehearsal
5:30 - 6:00 p.m. Youth Choir Rehearsal**

7:00 - 9:15 p.m. AA Meeting (Lower Level - Room 10)
7:30 - 9:00 p.m. Boy Scouts Troop 132 (Gym)

Thursday, November 14th

9:30 a.m. Circle 4 Quilting (Room 101)
11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Thrift Store (Lower Level - Room 11)
5:00 - 9:30 p.m. Giant Steps (Room 102)
8:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)

Friday, November 15th

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

Sunday, November 17th

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

10:20 - 11:00 a.m. Church School
Preschool - 3rd Grade (Room 102)
4th - 8th Grade (Upstairs)

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)