

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday, November 17, 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 November 24th 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!

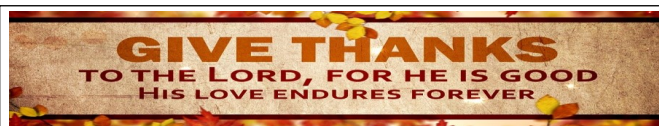
Kids & Youth Choir Rehearsals Continue Wednesday, November 20th!

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!



Let Us Give Thanks to the Lord, Our God!

As we prepare to gather for Thanksgiving celebrations with friends, family, and loved ones over the next two weeks, may we take time to consider all that we have in our lives and give thanks to God for God's many rich blessings!

We are blessed to live our lives as children of God, sisters and brothers in Jesus Christ. May we know this in our lives and share these blessings with others as we “give thanks!”

Thanksgiving Basket Ministry Arrives THIS WEEK!



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***

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!

Breaking News: Advent Study Returns December 1st!



Please mark your calendars for **Sunday, December 1st** as we celebrate the first Sunday in Advent and the kick-off of our annual Advent Study! Join us in the Fiske Room as we share four weeks together with **Ed Robb and Rob Renfroe's, "The Wonder of Christmas."**

Join Us For Our Annual PW Christmas Luncheon!

The PW Christmas Luncheon will be held on **Wednesday, December 4th**, beginning at **11:30 a.m.** This special event features a delicious meal, warm fellowship, fantastic entertainment, and so much more! The event is \$20 per person and reservations are required by contacting Marge Sammis at (631) 871-9410 as soon as possible!



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 17, 2019*

“Give Thanks”

Key Scriptures:

*“Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed,
turned back, praising God with a loud voice.
Then Jesus asked, ‘Were not ten made clean?
But the other nine ... where are they?’”*

Luke 17:15, 17

*“Do not say to yourself, ‘My power and the might
of my own hand have gotten me this wealth.’
But remember the Lord, your God.”*

Deuteronomy 8:17-18

*When things are going well in your life, do you
fail to “give thanks” to God and instead “take
credit” for your own blessings? Why or why not?*

*In today’s reading from Luke, Jesus heals ten
lepers, but only one returns to “give thanks”
to Jesus ... why do you think this is the case?*

*When it comes to your opportunities to “give
thanks” to God ... what are the blessings for
which you are most grateful in your life?*

WEEKLY EVENTS CALENDAR

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)

**No Sunday Night Youth Group
Due to last Friday Night’s “Sleep Out”**

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

Monday, November 18th

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

Tuesday, November 19th

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)
6:30 - 8:30 p.m. NA Business (Lower Level - Room 10)

Wednesday, November 20th

9:15 - 10:15 a.m. Gentle Bends (Room 102)
5:00 - 7:15 p.m. Youth Club (Thanksgiving Dinner)
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 21st

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 22nd

9:30 - 11:30 a.m. Al-Anon Meeting (Room 101)
10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Basket Filling (Parish Hall)
11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Thrift Store (Lower Level - Room 11)

Saturday, November 23rd

10:00 - 11:30 a.m. Basket Delivery (Parish Hall)

Sunday, November 24th

**10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
Worship - Christ the King Sunday
Baptism of Mason Keith Machtel**

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)