

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday, September 29, 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!!!



Reminder ... No Middle and High School Youth Group Tonight!

Sunday Night Youth Group

Continues Sunday, October 6th!!!

** Keep your eyes open for more information about our upcoming outing to Adventure Park Long Island on October 6th for an evening of team-building!*

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 so much from our young adults, what better than an evening devoted to faith, fun, and fellowship with your church family?

Kids & Youth Choir Rehearsals
Continue Wednesday, October 2nd!

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)

Please remember that there will be no Wednesday evening Youth Club until Wednesday, October 16th!

PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE CHILDREN UNATTENDED!



Stewardship Season Has Begun!

Are you excited about life at Old First?

Are you prayerfully discerning the role you may play in moving our ministry forward?

We couldn't be more excited about what God is doing in the life and ministry of Old First! Our annual stewardship season sets the tone for the coming year of ministry 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 joy in giving!

Pancake Breakfast - Sunday, October 20th!



Please sign up on the hallway bulletin board to find your way to support the pancake breakfast!

You are invited to join the Deacons of Old First for our **Fall Pancake Breakfast** on **Sunday, October 20th**, following worship as we share an afternoon of fellowship and food as we raise funds for our Thanksgiving Basket Ministry!

The cost for this delicious breakfast is \$8 for adults, \$6 for children and youth, and \$25 max for the whole family!

Bereavement Group Begins October 23rd @ 7:00 pm!



If you or someone you love would benefit from talking with others about grief and loss, please join us in the **Fiske Room**, beginning **Wednesday, October 23rd at 7:00 pm**. These holy dialogues will be led by Stephen Minister and Licensed Social Worker, Sue Degnan. Please share this information with anyone who may benefit from this special ministry of comfort and hope.

Please Join Us In ACTIVELY Growing in Faith!

This remains an exciting time in the life and ministry of our church family and we invite **ALL** of our members, friends, and visitors to **get involved!**



With many opportunities for worship, fellowship, and mission at Old First, we are sure you can **find your place** and **get busy living!** If you need help finding your home in the family of God at Old First, please feel free to spend time with Pastor Means or talk to any of our staff or leadership!



Upcoming Events at Old First ...

There are many special events for you to mark on your calendars and be sure **NOT TO MISS!** They include ...

Financial Pledge Dedication Sunday
Sunday, October 27th
Giving with a spirit of joyful generosity!



Annual Fall Fair at Old First
Saturday, November 9th
10:00 am to 4:00 pm!

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!

Service Notes for
Sunday, September 29, 2019

“Why We Give”

Key Scriptures:

“You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity, which will produce thanksgiving to God through us; for the rendering of this ministry ... overflows with many thanksgivings to God.”

2 Corinthians 9:11-12

“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, for it is he who gives you power to get wealth.”

Deuteronomy 8:17-18

Why do you choose to give of your time, talent, and treasure to support Christ’s ministry?

Think of two or three **specific ways** that God is calling you to give more of yourself to the work of Jesus Christ among us?

As we prepare to make our financial pledges to the life and ministry of Old First Church, how is God calling you to step forward to show the “great generosity” Paul describes?

WEEKLY EVENTS CALENDAR

Sunday, September 29th

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 MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL
YOUTH GROUP TONIGHT ***

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

Monday, September 30th

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

Tuesday, October 1st

9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Lifeline Screening (Room 101 & 102)
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)
7:00 p.m. Deacons Meeting (Room 101)

Wednesday, October 2nd

9:15 - 10:15 a.m. Gentle Bends (Room 102)
9:30 a.m. Presbyterian Women Meeting (Fiske Room)
5:00 - 6:00 p.m. Kids & 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, October 3rd

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, October 4th

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)
11:30 a.m. Worship Committee Meeting (Pastor’s Office)

Sunday, October 6th

**10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Worship
World Communion Sunday!**

**MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL
OUTING TO ADVENTURE PARK**

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