

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday, February 18, 2018



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!!!



Youth Group Continues February 25TH!!!

Join us for an amazing night of fun, food, faith, and fellowship with Kerry, Amy, and Pastor Matthew!!!

**Calling All Middle and High School Students:
WE WILL SEE YOU NEXT WEEK!!!**

If you are joining us for the Middle School youth trip this summer, please let us know as soon as possible!

NO YOUTH CLUB AND CHOIR THIS WEEK! We Return on Wednesday, February 28th!!!!!!

If you are in **1st - 8th grade**, then 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 and 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 **\$36.78 per member**, the total expense to our Old First budget is **roughly \$14,000**. 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!



Today is the First Sunday in Lent!

Today is the **first Sunday in Lent**, a season to walk together in the footsteps of our Christ as he journeys to the cross of our eternal salvation. Lent is a time to share in worship, fellowship, and service that allow us to grow in faith as we are reminded of the depth and power of God's unconditional love for all!

During the Season of Lent ...

Our worship will feature a different “**Affirmation of Faith**” each week that lifts up what we believe about the ministry of Jesus Christ. Today we feature a selection from “**A Brief Statement of Faith**,” written in 1983 to celebrate the reunion of the Presbyterian Church in the United States and the United Presbyterian Church in the United States - a reunion 14 years in the making - after being separated since 1859!

Tickets Now Available for St. Patrick's Day Dinner!

Join us for a St. Patrick's Day dinner on **Saturday, March 10th at 6:00 pm** and share a **FANTASTIC** evening of food, fun, and fellowship! This very special event features a corned beef and cabbage dinner, live music, Irish step-dancing, and more! Get your tickets now (**\$20 adult and \$8 child under 12**) from Priscilla Jahier following worship or by calling her at (631) 351-4941.



The Time Is NOW to “Love On” Our Youth!

Our Sunday Youth Group and Wednesday Youth Club are hoping to re-stock their sports equipment ... but ... **they need your help!** Stop by the bulletin board in the hallway for “heart-tags” with the name of different items needed for youth ministry! **Take a tag home ... do a little shopping ... and bring your item (s) back to Old First** to share with our fabulous youth and children!

Thank you in advance for your support and if you have any questions or concerns, please contact Kerry Degnan, Amy Means, or Pastor Matthew at your convenience!



Lenten Study

If you would like to join a **weekly Lenten Study for adults**, please contact **Leslie Schult, Amy Means, or Pastor Matthew Means** as soon as possible!

We are currently planning to lead two weekly meetings, one meeting on **Sunday mornings from 11:30-12:30** and the second meeting on **Wednesday evenings from 5:30-6:30**.

You will not want to miss this wonderful opportunity for us to grow in faith as we continue to share the season of Lent!

The Clothesline Thrift Shop Needs Volunteers!!!

Volunteers are needed on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays from 11 am to 1:30 pm. Please call the Thrift Shop or let **Susan Worledge** know if you can work a shift. Clothing donations are received during hours of operation, but you may place donations in the AA Room when the Thrift Shop is closed. **We are in great need of volunteers to join us in this ministry of our church for our community!**



WEEKLY EVENTS CALENDAR

Sunday, February 18th

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

First Sunday in Lent

10:20 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Church School (*Room 102*)

***Attention Middle and High School Students:
Don't Forget ... NO YOUTH GROUP TONIGHT!!!***

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

Monday, February 19th

President's Day

Church Office Closed / No Activities in Building

Tuesday, February 20th

11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Thrift Store (*Lower Level - Room 11*)

1:00 - 2:00 p.m. AA (*Lower Level - Room 10*)

Wednesday, February 21st

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

12:00 p.m. Hebrews Bible Study (*Room 101*)

***Attention All Children and Youth:
NO CHOIR REHEARSALS OR YOUTH CLUB!!!***

7:00 - 9:15 p.m. AA (*Lower Level - Room 10*)

7:30 - 9:00 p.m. Boy Scouts Troop 32 (*Gym*)

Thursday, February 22nd

9:30 a.m. PW / 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*)

7:00 - 8:00 p.m. MA (*Lower Level - Room 10*)

8:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal (*Choir Room*)

Friday, February 23rd

9:30 - 11:30 a.m. Al Anon (*Lower Level - Room 10*)

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, February 25th

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

Second Sunday in Lent

10:20 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Church School (*Room 102*)

11:30 - 12:30 Small Group Lenten Study (Fiske Room)

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

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

Save This Date Old First ...

Saturday, March 10th

St. Patrick's Day Dinner @ 6:00 p.m.

\$20 per adult

\$8 per child (12 and under)

GET YOUR TICKETS TODAY!!!