

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday, February 4, 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 11th!

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

**Reminder to All Middle and High School Students:
NO YOUTH GROUP TONIGHT (FEB. 4TH)**

Our next regular Sunday evening Youth Group meeting will be on Sunday, February 11th at 6:00 pm!

YOUTH CLUB AND KIDS'/YOUTH CHOIR CONTINUE WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 7th!!!!!!

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!



Call for the Congregational Meeting to be held on Sunday, February 11, 2018

The semi-annual meeting of the congregation and the annual meeting of the Corporation of Old First Presbyterian Church, Huntington, NY, will be held on Sunday, February 11, 2018, immediately following the worship service (*approximately 11:15 a.m.*) for the following purposes:

1. To receive program reports from church officers and program purposes
2. To receive financial statements for 2017 as well as the operational budget for 2018
3. To act on a change in the Terms of Call for the Pastor, Reverend Matthew Means
4. To transact any other business which rightly may be raised

By order of the Session
Thomas Bosch, Clerk

Ash Wednesday Worship Is February 14th @ 7:00 pm!

Mark your calendars and plan to join us **Wednesday, February 14th 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 with the conclusion of our Wednesday evening youth club activities ... so please make plans to worship together as a family!



Lenten Study

The season of Lent is nearly upon us and with it comes an opportunity for us to grow in faith through a new addition to our ministry ... **a weekly Lenten Study for adults!**

If you would like more information, please speak with in person, call, email, text, Facebook message, smoke signal, or find any other way of contacting **Leslie Schult, Amy Means, or Pastor Matthew Means** as soon as possible!

We are currently finalizing plans for the topic and schedule of our Lenten Study ... so ... get involved **NOW** while you may be part of the discussion!

The Clothesline Thrift Shop Needs Volunteers!!!

Volunteers are needed on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays from 11 am to 1:30 pm (**especially Thursdays from 1:30 to 4:00!**). Please call the Thrift Shop or let **Susan Worledge** know if you can work occasionally or every week. 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!**



*Sermon Notes for
Sunday, February 4, 2018*

“Batteries Not Included”

Key Scriptures:

“Even youths will faint and be weary and the young will fall exhausted; but those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.”

Isaiah 40:30-31

“For though I am free with respect to all, I have made myself a slave to all, so that I might win more of them. I do it all for the sake of the gospel, so that I may share in its blessings.”

1 Corinthians 9:19, 23

What is the significance of knowing that human beings are “fueled” by the breath of God, breathed into our hearts, minds, bodies, & spirits?

As you consider the regular demands upon your life, where are the places or what are the things that leave you feeling most drained or empty?

*When it comes to being renewed with the strength of God, how are some **specific** ways you may make more time and space for this in your life?*

WEEKLY EVENTS CALENDAR

Sunday, February 4th

10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Worship with Communion
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 5th

9:15 - 10:15 a.m. Gentle Bends (*Room 102*)
10:00 a.m. PW Executive Board Meeting (*Room 101*)
7:30 p.m. Trustees Meeting (*Room 101*)
7:30 - 9:00 p.m. NA (*Lower Level - Room 10*)

Tuesday, February 6th

9:30 a.m. PW Board Meeting - **All Welcome!** (*Fiske Room*)
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*)
7:00 p.m. Deacons Meeting (*Room 101*)

Wednesday, February 7th

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

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

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

Thursday, February 8th

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 9th

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 11th

10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Worship
10:20 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Church School (*Room 102*)
11:15 a.m. Congregational Meeting (Sanctuary)

**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 These Dates Old First ...

Wednesday, February 14th

Ash Wednesday Worship @ 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, March 10th

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