

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday, January 27, 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!!!



Middle and High School Youth Group Continues TONIGHT at 5:00 pm with the Deacon Potluck and BINGO night!

Please note the special start time this week as we share the evening with the Deacons and congregation!

Please remember that there will be no Middle and High School Youth Group on Sunday, February 3rd!

Kids & Youth Choir and Youth Club Continue Wednesday, January 30th!!!

If you are in 1st - 8th grade, 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 (All Ages!) & 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 **\$38.05 per member**, the total expense to Old First is **roughly \$13,800**. 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!



Are You Interested in Membership at Old First?



If you are interested in joining our church family or have questions about the ministries of Old First or beliefs of the Presbyterian Church (USA), please contact Pastor Matthew Means!

We are holding a “New Member Class” on **Sunday, February 3rd AND Sunday, February 10th (please come to both days!) at 9:00 am**. We want to make sure we include **ALL** who are interested!

We are looking forward to sharing our church family with you and cannot wait to welcome those who are interested!

Tonight's the Night: Potluck & BINGO!



Join us **TONIGHT** for a delicious potluck dinner and fabulous evening of BINGO with our Deacons! **Potluck** begins at **5:00 pm (bring a dish to share!)** with **BINGO** at **6:00 pm!**

The cost is **\$8 per person** or **\$25 per family** as we raise funds for our Deacons' ministry! Come one, come all, and make sure to **invite friends and family of all ages** to join us!

Congregational Meeting: Sunday, February 10th!



The Session has called a congregational meeting on **Sunday, February 10th**. This special day in our church family is a chance to look back at the year that was, while joyfully looking ahead to the coming year. **All annual reports are due to the office (electronic delivery preferred) no later than THIS AFTERNOON!** Please make plans to join us for this annual celebration of the ministry of our congregation!

Have You Received Your 2019 Offering Envelopes?

Offering envelopes for making 2019 financial contributions in support of the ministry of Old First remain available in the hallway behind the Sanctuary! **NEW** Offering Envelopes

If you are unable to locate your envelopes, please contact the church office and we will be more than happy to assist.

OFC / Cuba Partnership Seeks New Leadership!



Did you know ... Old First has a long-time partnership with a sister church in Cuba?

Did you know ... we have taken many trips and financial offerings to support this relationship?

We are looking for someone who is interested in helping us continue to nurture our cooperative mission by staying in communication with our sister church, helping to plan special offerings, and perhaps even more!

For more information, please see Dorothy Mandrakos, Lucy Fetterolf, or Pastor Means at your convenience!

“Book Nook” Available Behind Parish Hall Stage!

Books left over from the Fall Fair are available in the “Book Nook” behind the Parish Hall stage! Find a book ... leave some money ... and all proceeds will be given to LI-CAN, a local non-profit addressing the opioid crisis on Long Island.



The Clothesline Thrift Shop Needs Volunteers!!!



Volunteers are needed on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays from 11:00 am to 4:00 pm. Please call the Thrift Shop during regular hours or contact **Susan Worledge** if you can work a shift or two with us during the week ... even if it is only an hour or two from time to time!

Sermon Notes for
Sunday, January 27, 2019

“Choose This Day”

Key Scriptures:

“Hear, O Israel: The Lord is our God, the Lord alone.
You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart,
with all your soul, and with all your might. Keep these
words that I am commanding you today in your heart.”

Deuteronomy 6:4-6

“Now if you are unwilling to serve the Lord,
choose this day whom you will serve ... but as for
me and my household ... we will serve the Lord.”

Joshua 24:15

What are some of the choices you make each
day that “compete” with making the time and
space in your life to grow in the ways of God?

What are some **specific ways** God is calling you to
choose to invest more of your time, talent, and/or
treasure in the life and ministry of the church?

Are there places in your life where
you are “sitting between two chairs?”

What do you need to do in order
to choose the better part?

WEEKLY EVENTS CALENDAR

Sunday, January 27th

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)

5:00 p.m. Potluck / BINGO Night!!!

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

Monday, January 28th

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 10)

Tuesday, January 29th

10:00 a.m. “Last Tuesdays” (Fiske Room)
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)
5:30 - 7:30 p.m. HBF Soccer Club (Gym)

Wednesday, January 30th

9:15 - 10:15 a.m. Gentle Bends (Room 102)
9:30 a.m. Prayer Meeting (Fiske Room)

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

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

Thursday, January 31st

9:30 - 11:00 a.m. PW / Circle 4 Quilting (Room 101)
11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Thrift Store (Lower Level - Room 11)
5:00 - 6:00 p.m. HBF Soccer Club (Gym)
5:00 - 9:30 p.m. Giant Steps (Room 102)
7:30 - 8:30 p.m. MA Meeting (Lower Level - Room 10)
8:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)

Friday, February 1st

9:30 - 11:30 a.m. Al-Anon Meeting (Room 101)
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 3rd

**9:00 a.m. New Member
Class (Fiske Room)**

**10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
Worship with Communion**

10:20 - 10:45 a.m. Church School
Preschool - 3rd Grade (Room 102)
4th - 8th Grade (Upstairs)

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

Don't Forget!!!

Congregational Meeting

Sunday, February 10th

(Immediately Following Worship)