

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday, September 23, 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!!!



Middle and High School Youth Group CONTINUES TONIGHT @ 6:00 pm!

Join us from 6:00-8:00 pm in the Youth Room for an evening of faith, fun, and fellowship with Kerry, Amy, Pastor Matthew, and all of your friends in faith!

Our Sunday night 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!

Youth Club and Choir Rehearsals Continue on Wednesday, September 26th!

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 and Dinner



Stephen Ministry Information:

STEPHEN MINISTRY Stephen Ministry is a vitally important ministry of Old First that continues to strengthen over time ... and ... ***we are ready to welcome more people!***

If you think you have the gifts, skills, and talents to serve as a Stephen Minister or just need more information so that you may discern ... come and join us on **Sunday, September 30th** (following worship) in the Fiske Room! See you there!

Are You Ready for a “Girls’ Night Out?”



We hope so because **ALL** the women of Old First are invited to come together for an informal wine and cheese party from **7:00 - 9:00 pm on Friday, September 28th** in the Fiske Room!

This will be a perfect evening for the women of our church family to kick-back, relax, and get to know one another better. If you are planning on joining us for all the festivities, **please let Heather Tucker know** either by email at fivergall@gmail.com or by phone (631) 834-6014.

BREAKING NEWS: Date Set for Progressive Dinner!

Please join us on **Saturday, October 13th at 6:00 pm** for a church-wide **Progressive Dinner!** Do not miss out on this special event as we gather for hors d’oeuvres, then break into dinner as small groups at various homes!



Reserve your spot by contacting Marge Sammis **TODAY!** The cost is **\$10 per person** and be sure to let us know if you can serve as one of our dinner hosts. We cannot wait to share this **FANTASTIC** evening with our church family!

Interested in Church Membership at Old First?



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

We are working on plans for a **“New Members’ Class”** this fall and 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!

Upcoming Events at Old First ...

There are many upcoming dates for special ministry events that you will want to mark on your calendars and be sure **NOT TO MISS!** They include ...



Pledge Dedication Sunday
Sunday, October 14th

Celebrating Our Choice to Give Generously to God’s Work Among Us!

Deacons Fall Pancake Breakfast
Sunday, October 21st (after worship)
Thanksgiving Basket Fundraiser!



Pumpkin Carving Extravaganza!!!
Official Date & Time “To Be Announced”
Includes Food and Optional Costumes!

2018 Annual Fall Fair
Saturday, November 10th
10:00 am — 4:00 pm
ALL HANDS ON DECK!!!



The Clothesline Thrift Shop Needs Volunteers!!!



Volunteers are needed on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays from 11 am to 4:00 pm. Call the Thrift Shop or let **Susan Worledge** know if you can work a shift. **We are in great need of volunteers to join us in this important community ministry ... or else we cannot remain open!** So come in and help us in September and October!

Service Notes for
Sunday, September 23, 2018

“Line Up!”

Key Scriptures:

“Who is wise and understanding among you? Show by your good life that your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom. Submit yourselves to God. Draw near to God, and God will draw near to you.”

James 3:13 and 4:7-8

“Jesus sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, ‘Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all ... Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me ... and the one who sent me.’”

Mark 9:35, 37

As you consider how the world defines “greatness,” where do you see people’s priorities?

How does this compare and contrast to your understanding how God sees “greatness?”

What specific way(s) will you choose to live in greater “service, sacrifice, or selflessness” to and for the other people in your life?

WEEKLY EVENTS CALENDAR

Sunday, September 23rd

10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Worship Bible Presentation Sunday!

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)

Monday, September 24th

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, September 25th

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)
7:00 p.m. “Stitch Together” Knitting Group (Room 101)

Wednesday, September 26th

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

Thursday, September 27th

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 - 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, September 28th

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)
7:00 - 9:00 p.m. Girls’ Night Out (Fiske Room)

Sunday, September 30th

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)

11:30 a.m. Stephen Ministry Information Session (Fiske Room)

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)