

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday, February 2, 2020



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 February 9th (5:00 - 7:00 pm)!

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

Kids & Youth Choir Rehearsals Continue Wednesday, February 5th!

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)

*** Parents ... please remember to not leave your children unattended during times they are not in choir rehearsals!**



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 **\$11,681**. If each of us contributed this amount, we would have **almost \$12,000 more** to fund our ministry!



Today We Celebrate Communion!

During worship, we will gather around the Lord’s Table and celebrate the truth that God invites **all who trust and believe in him** to join together in receiving bread and cup. This includes our young disciples, whom we will welcome back into worship in time to share Communion with us!

We share this meal to remember what Christ has done for us in his life, death, and resurrection. If you have questions about celebrating Communion at Old First, please contact our Pastor, Matthew Means, following worship.



A Very Special Day of Music & Faith Awaits!

The Presbytery of Long Island is overjoyed to announce a day of music and faith with singer, song-writer, activist, and member of the Nobel Peace Prize Selection Committee, **David LaMotte!**

On **Saturday, February 29th**, please join us for a workshop at the **Presbyterian Church of Sweet Hollow at 9:30 am** and free concert at the **Community Presbyterian Church in Deer Park at 7:30 pm** as we share the gift of music and faith!

Congregational Meeting - SUNDAY, MARCH 1ST

The Session has called a semi-annual meeting of the congregation on **Sunday, MARCH 1ST**. 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 (electronically please!) no later than Sunday, February 2nd!**



Is God Calling YOU to Leadership in Ministry?

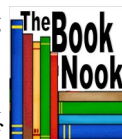
A new season of prayerful discernment is just around the corner as we work toward new classes of elders, deacons, and trustees!

We are very blessed to have wonderful people of faith in our church family ... many who have the gifts, skills, and talents to serve our church as leaders.

If you believe God is calling you into leadership at Old First, please reach out and discuss with Pastor Matthew or our Nominating Committee chairpersons, Elders Meghan Alexander and Amy Girimonti, at your earliest convenience!

Have You Visited the Book Nook Recently?

The “Book Nook” has returned for your reading pleasure! Presbyterian Women have wonderful, gently used books remaining from the Fall Fair. So grab a cup of coffee and visit the area behind the Parish Hall stage for a variety of treasures! If you choose to leave a monetary donation, all funds raised will support the opioid crisis in our local community.



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 call or email Jim Colbert 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!

Sermon Notes for
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“Shining Through”

Key Scriptures:

“He has told you, O mortal, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?”

Micah 6:8

“Then Jesus began to speak, and taught them, saying: ‘Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth. Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.’”

Matthew 5:2-6

Would people’s experience of you be different if Jesus himself were to take your place?

In what ways (thoughts, words, and/or deeds)?

If our lives are mirrors that reflect the light of Christ into the lives of others ... what words and actions are you reflecting?

Into whose lives or what places is God calling you to allow the light of Christ to shine through?

WEEKLY EVENTS CALENDAR

Sunday, February 2nd

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

Worship with Communion

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

Monday, February 3rd

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, February 4th

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. Deacon Meeting (Room 101)

Wednesday, February 5th

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, February 6th

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)

Friday, February 7th

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, February 9th

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 - 7:00 p.m. Middle & High School

Youth Group (Youth Room)

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