

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Sunday, January 12, 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 TONIGHT from 5:00 - 7:00 pm**

*Our Sunday evening Youth Group is the perfect time and place for ALL 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> 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, January 15<sup>th</sup>!**

*If you are in 1<sup>st</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> 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)

**Don't forget ... Wednesday, January 15<sup>th</sup> also includes Youth Club activities from 5:00 - 7:15 pm!!!**



### 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 the Baptism of Jesus!



Today we remember the baptism of Jesus by John the Baptist in the Jordan River ... a moment when the heavens opened, a dove appeared, and the voice of God was heard, declaring, **“This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well-pleased!”** As we share the baptism of our Lord and Savior, may we all **remember with joy** our own baptisms as we renew our covenant with God!

### Epiphany “Star Words” Now Available!

On Epiphany Sunday, we remembered the visit of the magi to the Christ child by receiving the gift of **“star words.”** If you are still in need of your star, please see Pastor Means after worship. Reflect on your word throughout the year and consider how God may be speaking to you through this simple one-word message about opportunities to continue growing in faith!



### Coming Soon ... Potluck Dinner and BINGO Night!!!



Join us on **Sunday, January 26<sup>th</sup>** for a potluck dinner and BINGO night with our Deacons! **Potluck** begins at **5:00 pm** (bring your favorite dish to share!) and **BINGO** follows at **6:00 pm!**

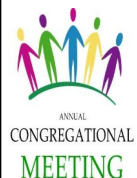
The cost is **\$8 per person or \$25 per family** as we raise funds for Deacon ministry! Come one, come all, and make sure to **invite friends and family of all ages to join us!**

### Have You Picked Up Your 2020 Offering Envelopes?

2020 offering envelopes for all Old First members and regular contributors are **now available** on the table in the hallway outside the sanctuary. If you cannot find your envelopes or do not have an envelope number assigned to you, please contact the church office!



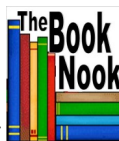
### Congregational Meeting - Sunday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>!



The Session has called a semi-annual meeting of the congregation on **Sunday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>**. 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 2<sup>nd</sup>!**

### 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!



**Did you know ... that the Clothesline Thrift Store donated more than \$8,000 to various mission ministries last year?!?!?**

To keep this going ... we need **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 contact 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  
Sunday, January 12, 2020*

**“All In!”**

*Key Scriptures:*

*“Thus says the Lord, he who created you,  
O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel:  
Do not fear, for I have redeemed you;  
I have called you by name, you are mine.”*

*Isaiah 43:1*

*“When Jesus had been baptized ... the heavens were  
opened to him and he saw the Spirit of God descending  
like a dove ... and a voice from heaven said, ‘This is my  
Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well-pleased.’”*

*Matthew 3:16-17*

*What do you remember about your baptism?  
If you do not remember your baptism first-hand,  
what stories have been passed down to you?*

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*When you are invited to “remember with joy”  
your baptism, what is it that fills you with joy?*

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*What does it mean to consider the voice of God  
speaking in your life, saying, ‘This is my daughter /  
son, the Beloved, with whom I am well-pleased?’”*

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**WEEKLY EVENTS CALENDAR**

**Sunday, January 12<sup>th</sup>**

**10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Worship  
Baptism of the Lord Sunday  
Renewing Our Baptism Vows**

10:20 - 11:00 a.m. Church School  
Preschool - 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade (Room 102)  
4<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> Grade (Upstairs)

**5:00 - 7:00 p.m. Middle and High  
School Youth Group (Youth Room)**

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

**Monday, January 13<sup>th</sup>**

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, January 14<sup>th</sup>**

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. Session Meeting (Room 101)

**Wednesday, January 15<sup>th</sup>**

9:15 - 10:15 a.m. Gentle Bends (Room 102)  
**5:00 - 6:00 p.m. Kids & Youth Choir Rehearsal**  
**5:00 - 7:15 p.m. Youth Club Activities**  
7:00 - 9:15 p.m. AA Meeting (Lower Level - Room 10)  
7:30 - 9:00 p.m. Boy Scouts Troop 132 (Gym)

**Thursday, January 16<sup>th</sup>**

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

**Friday, January 17<sup>th</sup>**

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)

**Sunday, January 19<sup>th</sup>**

**10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Worship**  
10:20 - 11:00 a.m. Church School  
Preschool - 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade (Room 102)  
4<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> Grade (Upstairs)

**5:00 - 8:00 p.m. Middle and High  
School Movie Night in the Youth Room**

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