

WELCOME!

WELCOME TO OUR GUESTS! We're happy you are worshipping with us today and pray you will experience the love of Christ through our church. Each week we invite everyone to sign the **Friendship Pads** as one way to get better acquainted. To learn more about our church, pick up a copy of our newsletter, in-Site(s), available at each worship site or visit our website—www.AnkenyFUMC.org.

ESPECIALLY FOR CHILDREN Children are always welcome in worship, and "Worship Bags" with children's activities are available for them to use. Quality childcare is provided on Sunday mornings for infants and toddlers, as well as Sunday School for children ages 3 and up. Just ask an usher for assistance in finding the nursery or Sunday School rooms. A "Wee Care" Room is located in the balcony of the Uptown Sanctuary, so little ones can play while parents watch and listen to worship.

SPECIAL NEEDS At our Uptown location, large print hymnals and bulletins and wireless hearing aids are available—ask an usher for assistance.

SOUL FOOD CAFÉ All are invited to our informal meal Wednesday evenings during the school year between 5:00-6:30pm in our Uptown Fellowship Hall. Cost: \$3 per person (\$10 per family). NO reservations needed! Check the church website to see what's on the menu this week under "Groups & Study".

FELLOWSHIP You are all invited to Fellowship Time! **Uptown:** Between the three Sunday services in Fellowship Hall. **Faith Chapel:** After both services in Fellowship Hall. **Christian Life Center:** Between both services. **Spirit Alive:** Before worship.

FOR THOSE WHO GIVE ELECTRONICALLY If you make your church contributions on-line, but still find it meaningful to put something in the offering plate, you will find a small basket of cards at each worship site which say, "I give electronically." Pick one up weekly and put it in the offering plate. To donate from your smart phone, use the mobile version of our online giving page at any time. Simply scan the image you see here using your phone's QR code reader.

WE'RE GLAD YOU WORSHIPPED WITH US TODAY!

Join us next week as we continue our Lenten sermon series "Facing Fear".

Uptown Saturday & Sunday: "Can Even My Sins Be Forgiven?" Rev. Martha Ward

Christian Life Center: "Fear of Death & Dying" Rev. John Wagner

Faith Chapel: "Can I Withstand Temptation?" Rev. Bob Ward

FEATURED INFORMATION THIS WEEK

HOLY WEEK CANTATA - "TOUCHED BY THE CHRIST"

Do you know someone who needs to be touched by the healing love of Jesus Christ? Invite them to join you for a dramatic encounter with Christ through our Holy Week musical which portrays the final days of Jesus' earthly life. Walk the path to the foot of the cross as singers, actors and dancers, accompanied by a full orchestra, recount their interactions with the Messiah—the Incarnate God—who came to offer hope for the hurting and broken. Presentations are Palm Sunday weekend—Friday & Saturday, April 11 & 12 at 7:00pm and Sunday, April 13 at 8:30 & 11:00am in the Uptown Sanctuary.

FAITH CHAPEL UMW SPAGHETTI SUPPER & BAKE SALE

Don't plan on cooking Friday, **March 21**, instead come enjoy the Faith Chapel UMW Spaghetti Supper & Bake Sale from 5:00-7:00pm! Tickets available at the door: \$10 for adults, \$5 children (12 and under). Proceeds will go to various missions.

NEW HORIZONS 13TH ANNUAL LASAGNA DINNER MAR. 28

Join us from 4:30-7:00pm in the Uptown Fellowship Hall. Adults: \$8 in advance / \$9 at the door and Children: \$4 in advance / \$5 at the door. Call 965-1602 to reserve your advance tickets or stop by the Uptown office and purchase. Great food for a great cause! Whole pies for sale as well!

MALAWI DINNER FUNDRAISER - APRIL 4 - 6:00PM - CLC -

Our annual fundraising dinner gives you a glimpse of what life is like in Malawi and supports our important ministry partnership with the Malawi UMC. Walk through a gallery of pictures showing improvements on the UM farm, the Tailoring School, and other ministries. Hear Pam Heilskov describe high points of her year of volunteer mission work in Malawi, and meet our 2014 Malawi mission team. This will be the last AFUMC trip led by Dennis and Robin White, as they are retiring at year end and moving closer to family, so come to give them hearty thanks for their amazing leadership in this important ministry. Your gifts to this fund raiser support trip scholarships and other important Malawi projects. Cost is: \$20/ticket; maximum \$60 per family.

WORSHIP SERVICES

Uptown: 206 SW Walnut St ~ 964-4249

Saturdays 5:00pm ~ Blended

Sundays 8:30am ~ Traditional

9:45am ~ Contemporary

11:00am ~ Spirited Traditional

Christian Life Center: 710 NE 36th St ~ 289-9153

Saturdays 7:15pm ~ "The Road"

Sundays 9:00am & 10:45am ~ Contemporary

Faith Chapel: 7384 NW 16th St ~ 289-2171

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10:30am ~ Contemporary

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Uptown: 9:45 & 11:00am

~ 3yr old -7th grade

Christian Life Center:

9:00am & 10:45am

~ 3yr old -7th grade

Faith Chapel:

10:30am ~ 3yr old-3rd grade

Nursery available at all Sunday services.

Ministers: All God's People

Lead Co-Pastors: Martha & Bob Ward

Associate Pastors, Faith Chapel: Thom Bryant, Dick Pfaltzgraff

Associate Pastor, CLC: John Wagner

Associate Pastor, Thrive UMC: Jeremy Poland

Director of Worship Ministry: Jan Boehm

Director of Children & Family Ministries: Pat Crownover

Co-Directors of Youth Ministry: Shelly Kubik, Rick Webb

Director of Small Group Ministry: Lindsay Drake

Director of Care & Connection Ministry: Jacque Coulson

Director of Sports Ministry: Traci Schermerhorn

Minister of Visitation: Charles Tefft, Duane Churchman

Email staff at: firstname.lastname@AnkenyFUMC.org

Deadlines: Bulletin → Tuesdays 2:00pm; Apr 15 Newsletter → Apr 1

FOR A COMPLETE LISTING OF AFUMC EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES:

Pick up a weekly calendar at any worship location (ask an usher for assistance) or go to our website: www.AnkenyFUMC.org.

Al-Anon

Mondays, 7:00pm, Upt Rm 314

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Wednesdays, 8:00pm, Upt Rm 314

Fridays, 6:00pm, Upt Rm 314

Saturdays, 6:30pm, Upt Rm 314

Wednesdays, 6:00pm, CLC Rms 103-104

Contact Gene & Marilyn Sewell

(964-0041) with questions.



Ankeny First United Methodist Church is a Stephen Ministry Congregation.



Bright Beginnings Preschool

Any questions, please contact Missy Starr: 229-0667

THE ROAD OF RECOVERY

REAL. LIFE. CHANGE. Saturdays at the Christian Life Center. 6:00pm pizza and salad supper; 7:15pm worship; 8:00pm Recovery Group breakout. While this ministry and worship focuses on those recovering from addictions, friends and family members of those recovering, and those having trouble meeting life on life's terms, it is open to all. *The Road's 24 hour contact number, 515-777-8333, is "always on" and we are here to help.*

ADDITIONAL YOUTH INFORMATION

JC's Café (grades 6-12): Monday-Thursdays, 4:00-5:00pm throughout the school year. Closed for holidays and school breaks.

Ewe'th Group is a fellowship, service, study and worship group for 6th and 7th grade youth. Sundays from 5:00-6:00pm at the Christian Life Center.

The Gathering is specifically designed for the lives of teens in Ankeny for 8th-12th graders. Sundays at the CLC beginning with supper 6:00pm (\$3) then worship, fellowship and more from 6:30-8:15pm.

3 Locations ~ 9 Worship Services

1 Congregation United in Christ!

Uptown Campus ~ Faith Chapel ~ Christian Life Center

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Our Mission:

To be an open and inviting community of faith through which God grows deeply committed Christians.

Our Vision:

*INVITE people into Christ's Body.
INSPIRE them to become more like Jesus.
IMPROVE the lives of those in need.*

MARCH 16, 2014

Uptown Campus ~ Traditional Worship

March 16, 2014 ~ 8:30am

PRELUDE

WELCOME/WORSHIP FOCUS

*CONGREGATIONAL GREETING

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Lay Liturgist Vicki Engh

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN "Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days" #269

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION: Lord of life, we confess to you out of our struggles with temptation. We seek after an easy life devoid of sacrifice and discipline. We are preoccupied with self-gratification. We choose the temporal rather than the eternal, the way of death instead of the path of life, success in this world more than prominence in your Kingdom. Save us from self-destruction by the power of your grace. Lead us from the desert into the promised land filled with faithfulness and love. We ask this in the name and spirit of our Lord, who went into the desert ahead of us and emerged victorious. Amen.

*WORDS OF PARDON AND ASSURANCE

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE / THE LORD'S PRAYER

PRAYER HYMN "Go the Dark Gethsemane" #290 vs. 1,4

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MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" #298 vs. 4

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

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*HYMN OF DEDICATION "O Jesus, I Have Promised" #396

*BENEDICTION/POSTLUDE

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Uptown Campus ~ Contemporary Worship

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GATHERING SONG / WELCOME

*PRAISE/PRAYER

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM (10:45)

CHILDREN'S TIME

SCRIPTURE

John 8:2-11

SERMON

"Can Even My Sins Be Forgiven?"

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