

# 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](http://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.

**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".

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

**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 begin our Lenten sermon series "Taking It to the Streets."  
Next week's theme: Because He Says So!

## FEATURED INFORMATION FOR THIS WEEK

### MALAWI FLOOD RELIEF EFFORTS

Thanks to your generous donations to our Christmas Missions Offering, we were able to send the \$10,103.24 dedicated to our Malawi Partnership of Hope as an immediate response to the flooding of churches, villages and boreholes in southern Malawi. There is still much devastation in the country, especially in the interior areas of the country, where food sources and clean water are now scarce. Pastors in those areas are especially concerned for infants and their nursing mothers who have been left isolated after roads were washed away. Because of this urgent need, we as a church will hold a special campaign to assist with hunger relief kits which will be distributed by pastors to the most vulnerable in those areas. Your gift of \$25 will cover the cost of one relief package. We will collect and send these offerings for the next 4 weeks. Please consider this opportunity to express your care for the people of Malawi.



### FUSION AND THE GATHERING

Everyone is invited today, **February 15, 3:00-5:00pm**, at the CLC for an open house to show Rick Webb what a difference he has made with our Youth Ministry and to wish him well at his new opportunity God has called him to The UM Church of the Resurrection! From 5:15-6:15pm, Fusion and The Gathering will combine to host a special worship service led by current and past Genesis youth band members. The worship service will be followed by the usual meal.

### ATTENTION ALL MEN!

Did you know we have an active **Men's Ministry Team** that hosts meetings once a month? They will next meet at 8:30am on Saturday, **February 21**, in the Uptown Family Center. All men are welcome to join them for a light breakfast, devotion, and a program. This meeting will feature the mission and ministries of the Bidwell Riverside Center. Contact Cary Halfpop 238.7370 for further information.

### 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  
Wednesdays 6:15pm ~ Casual  
Saturdays 7:15pm ~ "The Road"  
Sundays 9:00am & 10:45am ~ Contemporary  
Faith Chapel: 7384 NW 16th St ~ 289-2171  
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### 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 Pastor:** Scott Hibben  
**Administrative Pastor:** Angie Loomis  
**Associate Pastors, Faith Chapel:** Thom Bryant, Dick Pfaltzgraff  
**Associate Pastor, CLC:** John Wagner  
**Associate Pastors, Thrive UMC:** Jeremy Poland, Jen Hibben  
**Director of Worship Ministry:** Jan Boehm  
**Associate Director of Worship Ministry:** Melody Webb  
**Director of Children & Family Ministries:** Pat Crownover  
**Director of Youth Ministry:** Rick Webb  
**Associate Director of Youth Ministry:** Theresa Bargfrede  
**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  
**Email staff at:** [firstname.lastname@AnkenyFUMC.org](mailto:firstname.lastname@AnkenyFUMC.org)

**Deadlines: Bulletin → Tuesdays 5:00pm; Mar 1 Newsletter → Feb 15**

### FOR A COMPLETE LISTING OF AFUMC EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES:

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**Al-Anon**  
Mondays, 7:00pm, Upt Rm 314  
**AA**  
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.*

**3 Locations ~ 10 Worship Services**  
**1 Congregation United in Christ!**  
Uptown Campus ~ Faith Chapel ~ Christian Life Center  
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# Ankeny First United Methodist Church

# Will Faith Matter?

**UPTOWN CAMPUS:** 206 SW Walnut Street  
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**CHRISTIAN LIFE CENTER:** 710 NE 36th Street

**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.*

**FEBRUARY 15, 2015**

# Uptown Campus ~ Traditional Worship

## February 15, 2015 ~ 8:30am

### PRELUDE

WELCOME/WORSHIP FOCUS

\*CONGREGATIONAL GREETING

\*CALL TO WORSHIP **Worship Leader** Melody Webb

\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN *"The Church's One Foundation"* #545

\*OPENING PRAYER: **God of grace and glory, we thank you that you hold us accountable not by the perfection of our actions, but by our readiness to live boldly by faith in you. Even if we fall from you or fall short of your dreams for us, you are still there to hold us and lift us up to what we can only become through you. So help us, as individual believers and as a whole congregation, help us Lord, to trust you and follow where you would lead us, that in Christ your name may be glorified in all the earth. Amen.**

\*WORDS OF PARDON & ASSURANCE

ANTHEM *"Find Us Faithful"* [arr. Fettke] Chancel Choir

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/THE LORD'S PRAYER

PRAYER HYMN *"My Faith Looks Up to Thee"* #452

SCRIPTURE Acts 20:22-24

SERMON *"Life as Resource"* Rev. Scott Hibben

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS

OFFERTORY *"I Give My All"* [Parrish]

Kim Sidwell-Frame, Emma & Lauren McEvoy, Sydney Stover

\*DOXOLOGY/\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

\*HYMN OF DEDICATION *"Go Make of All Disciples"* #571

\*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

*\*Please stand if you are able.*

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**Chancel Choir Director:** Melody Webb **Chancel Choir Accompanist:** Christine Stone

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## OPPORTUNITIES FOR ADULT STUDY & CONNECTION

**IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO JOIN LIVING FULLY** An 8-week course designed to help all ages learn how scripture prepares us to live a life with purpose and fulfillment. Mondays at 10:00am and will continue through March 30 at the Christian Life Center in room 106/107. This course has no required text or registration fee. Contact Jacque Coulson, 964.4249.

**READY TO GET MORE INVOLVED AT ANKENY FUMC?** Church Life 101 is a way for you to meet our pastors, staff, ministry volunteers, and learn all about our church. Find out how to get connected, involved in hands on ministry, and grow in your faith! Those who are ready to do so may use this class as preparation for church membership. Childcare is provided with advanced registration. The class meets for four Sunday evenings beginning TONIGHT, **February 15**, from 4:00 to 5:30pm in the Uptown Room 310.

**CALLING ALL VETERANS AND THOSE WHO CARE ABOUT THEM** The Military Ministry team is hosting an Open House Breakfast, Saturday, **February 21**, 8:00-10:00am, in the Uptown Fellowship Hall. This is an opportunity to bring you together for the purpose of future planning, as well as caring and sharing. Representatives from Camp Dodge, Polk County, and the Vets Center will be present to give assistance and resources to active military. We are also still compiling our database of past and current military personnel. Please sign the **MINISTRY OPPORTUNITY** tear-off to get connected with us.

**THE SINGLES MINISTRY TEAM** encourages all AFUMC's singles over 30 to join us for fellowship and fun on the third Saturday of every month. We will meet from 7:00 to 10:00pm in the Uptown Fellowship Hall (north entrances) on **February 21** for an evening of fun and games. Bring your favorite snack to share and be prepared for some special mixing! Please contact the office at 964.4249 with questions.

**GRIEFSHARE** This 12-week support group for those grieving the loss of a loved one will begin Monday, **February 23**, 6:30-8:00pm, in the Uptown Chapel. Each session uses a video that features biblical teachings on grief, as well as real life stories of people who experience losses like yours. Come and learn about recovery and renewed hope for the future. Cost: \$15 optional for the workbook. Call Jacque Coulson or the office 964.4249 with questions or to sign up. Childcare is available with one-week advance notice.

**COVENANT** is an in-depth Bible study in which participants read and discuss the Bible together, learning how to love God and each other better. The 24-week (3 8-week sessions) experience covers all the books of the Bible as participants move back and forth from the Old Testament to the New Testament. Join the first 8-week session, beginning Wednesday, **February 25**, 6:30-8:00pm at our Uptown JC's Café. Leaders: Rhonda Garcia and Brian DePrez. Contact Lindsay Drake with questions. For more information or to register visit [www.ankenyfumc.org/covenant.htm](http://www.ankenyfumc.org/covenant.htm).

## MISSION OPPORTUNITIES

**IN-GATHERING SCHOOL BAG CUTTING DAY** Our next cutting day will be **February 16**, from 1:00-3:00pm in the Uptown Family Center. Mark your calendars now!

**SAVE THE DATE FOR OUR ADULT SPRING MISSION TRIP** The date for our adult spring mission trip for **April 27-May 2**. The destination has not been finalized at this time, but please prayerfully consider joining the team. "The body of Christ has many different parts, but when we act in Christ's name, serving with others we become the living hands and feet of Christ working to rebuild homes and lives." If interested please contact Connie Ruths at [boco1mato@g.com](mailto:boco1mato@g.com) or call 360.4365 or 480.671.2775.

**MEALS IN MISSION SERVANTS** if you are interested in helping to serve a 6:00pm meal at the YMCA Supportive Housing Campus (no food preparation required) on the 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of the month please contact Bill or Connie Funk at 964.8352 or via email at [bfruns@aol.com](mailto:bfruns@aol.com).

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----- (Place in offering plate or return to Church Office) -----

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I am currently or have served in a branch of the military or National Guard

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

**Uptown Campus ~ Contemporary Worship**  
**February 15, 2015 ~ 9:45am**

**GATHERING SONG**  
**WELCOME / WORSHIP FOCUS**  
**\*CONGREGATIONAL GREETING**  
**\*PRAISE SONGS**

**CHILDREN'S TIME**

**PRAYER TIME/PRAYER SONG**

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\*PRAISE

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SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM (9:00 & 10:45)

CHILDREN'S TIME

SCRIPTURE

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SERMON

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OFFERING OF OURSELVES

\*CLOSING SONG

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**LENTEN OPPORTUNITIES**

**ASH WEDNESDAY—FEB. 18** Christians begin the season of Lent on Ash Wednesday. One traditional aspect of the day is the anointing of ashes, inviting people to wear them (typically in the form of a cross on one's forehead) throughout the day. As part of this, your pastors will be doing "street evangelism" in coffee shops and other settings, anointing ashes on people during the day. Then we invite everyone to join us at our Ash Wednesday worship service at 6:30pm, at our Uptown site, where the pastors will be sharing their stories. It's all part of our Lent theme: "Taking It to the Streets."

- Scott Hibben will be at CJ's Bagels, 7:30-10:30am
- Thom Bryant will be at Caribou Coffee, 6:30-9:00am
- John Wagner will be at Crossfit Ankeny, 5:30-7:30am; & The Hub (DM), 11:00am-1:00pm
- Angie Loomis will be at Sunny Day Café, 9:00-10:30am; & Neveln Ctr. 11:00am-1:00pm

*Please note: No CLC Wednesdays@First activities on Ash Wednesday. Join us again on February 25!*

**SMALL GROUP STUDY FOCUS FOR LENT** "Renegade Gospel" by Mike Slaughter

Renegade Gospel has six sessions. No need to register. Simply buy your \$10 book at The Connect and join in.

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| <b>Sunday</b>    | Uptown: Room 310, 9:45-10:45am, beginning 2/22<br>CLC: Room 110, 10:15-11:15, 1 <sup>st</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sundays beginning 2/15   |
| <b>Tuesday</b>   | CLC: Young Adults, Library, 6:30-7:30pm, beginning 2/24  |
| <b>Wednesday</b> | Uptown: Pastor's Bible Study, Lounge, 6:15-7:30pm beginning 2/25<br>(no book required)<br>CLC: Room 105, 6:45-7:30pm, beginning 2/25<br>CLC: Men's Group, Library, 6:45-7:45pm beginning 2/25<br>Faith Chapel: Pastor's Bible Study Fellowship Hall, 6:30-7:30pm, beginning 2/25 |
| <b>Thursday</b>  | Uptown: Room 313, 6:30-7:30pm, beginning 2/19  |
| <b>Friday</b>    | CLC: Room 106/107, 9:00-10:00am, beginning 2/20  |

Contact [Lindsay.Drake@AnkenyFUMC.org](mailto:Lindsay.Drake@AnkenyFUMC.org) with questions or childcare needs.

**40 DAYS OF PRAYER** It isn't hard—anyone can do it. It can be done anytime and anywhere. Often children do it better than adults. What is it? **PRAYER!** The Lenten season is a perfect time to think beyond ourselves to our larger church family. **40 Days of Prayer** is your invitation to take action to pray for several families by picking up an envelope during today's worship or on Ash Wednesday. "What do I pray for if I don't know anything about them?" you might ask. There are some suggestions in the envelope but the main thing to remember is God knows them and their needs. When you pray for them, you are interceding with God on their behalf. **There are many ways to love one's neighbor, but intercessory prayer – praying on behalf of other people – is very powerful.**

**FAMILY DEVOTIONALS** We invite you to take a FREE Lenten Family Devotional offered by the Education Cluster. A great way to enhance time with your children as you count down together the 40 days of Lent. Find one at your worship location.

**NEWS TO KNOW**

**RUNNING CLUB VOLUNTEERS NEEDED** A new session of AFUMC running club will begin in April. We are in need of experienced runners to mentor new runners and be a part of our small group study. Registration for our couch to 5K will open soon! Contact Traci Schermerhorn if you are interested, [traci@ankenyfumc.org](mailto:traci@ankenyfumc.org) or 289.9153.

**BOOTCAMP** Get fit before summer arrives! A new session of our popular Bootcamp class begins on Monday, **March 2**. Bootcamp offers a combination of heart pumping cardio and intense strength training. Each class is different and our instructors push you harder than you would push yourself. Great for men and women—all fitness levels welcome. Cost: \$40 for 8-week session. Classes: 5:15am or 6:00am. [www.ankenyfumc.org/bootcamp.htm](http://www.ankenyfumc.org/bootcamp.htm)

**LIL DRAGON TAE KWON DO** is a detailed curriculum that focuses on improving children's basic motor and listening skills. Children (ages 4-6 years old) will be exposed to positive social interaction while learning to work with others and follow directions from their instructors. This program is led by instructors from the Ankeny Academy of Martial Arts. Our next session will be held **Tuesdays, March 3-April 28**, 6:30-7:00pm at the CLC. Cost is \$30. Register online at <http://ankenyfumc.org/tae-kwon-do.htm>.

**YOUTH NEWS**

**SAVE THE DATE FOR DISCOVERY WEEKEND 2015** Plans are underway for another awesome, faith-filled weekend for mid and senior highs **April 17-19**. Registration for senior high leaders opens **Feb. 15**; mid-highs can register to attend beginning **Mar. 2**. Discovery Weekend can't happen without volunteers. Contact [Theresa.Bargfrede@AnkenyFUMC.org](mailto:Theresa.Bargfrede@AnkenyFUMC.org) for volunteer opportunities and how you can help out.

**OPPORTUNITIES FOR ADULT STUDY & CONNECTION**

**IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO JOIN LIVING FULLY** An 8-week course designed to help all ages learn how scripture prepares us to live a life with purpose and fulfillment. Mondays at 10:00am and will continue through March 30 at the Christian Life Center in room 106/107. This course has no required text or registration fee. Contact Jacque Coulson, 964.4249.

**READY TO GET MORE INVOLVED AT ANKENY FUMC?** Church Life 101 is a way for you to meet our pastors, staff, ministry volunteers, and learn all about our church. Find out how to get connected, involved in hands on ministry, and grow in your faith! Those who are ready to do so may use this class as preparation for church membership. Childcare is provided with advanced registration. The class meets for four Sunday evenings beginning TONIGHT, **February 15**, from 4:00 to 5:30pm in the Uptown Room 310.

**CALLING ALL VETERANS AND THOSE WHO CARE ABOUT THEM** The Military Ministry team is hosting an Open House Breakfast, Saturday, **February 21**, 8:00-10:00am, in the Uptown Fellowship Hall. This is an opportunity to bring you together for the purpose of future planning, as well as caring and sharing. Representatives from Camp Dodge, Polk County, and the Vets Center will be present to give assistance and resources to active military. We are also still compiling our database of past and current military personnel. Please sign the **MINISTRY OPPORTUNITY** tear-off to get connected with us.

**THE SINGLES MINISTRY TEAM** encourages all AFUMC's singles over 30 to join us for fellowship and fun on the third Saturday of every month. We will meet from 7:00 to 10:00pm in the Uptown Fellowship Hall (north entrances) on **February 21** for an evening of fun and games. Bring your favorite snack to share and be prepared for some special mixing! Please contact the office at 964.4249 with questions.

**GRIEFSHARE** This 12-week support group for those grieving the loss of a loved one will begin Monday, **February 23**, 6:30-8:00pm, in the Uptown Chapel. Each session uses a video that features biblical teachings on grief, as well as real life stories of people who experience losses like yours. Come and learn about recovery and renewed hope for the future. Cost: \$15 optional for the workbook. Call Jacque Coulson or the office 964.4249 with questions or to sign up. Childcare is available with one-week advance notice.

**COVENANT** is an in-depth Bible study in which participants read and discuss the Bible together, learning how to love God and each other better. The 24-week (3 8-week sessions) experience covers all the books of the Bible as participants move back and forth from the Old Testament to the New Testament. Join the first 8-week session, beginning Wednesday, **February 25**, 6:30-8:00pm at our Uptown JC's Café. Leaders: Rhonda Garcia and Brian DePrez. Contact Lindsay Drake with questions. For more information or to register visit [www.ankenyfumc.org/covenant.htm](http://www.ankenyfumc.org/covenant.htm).

**MISSION OPPORTUNITIES**

**IN-GATHERING SCHOOL BAG CUTTING DAY** Our next cutting day will be **February 16**, from 1:00-3:00pm in the Uptown Family Center. Mark your calendars now!

**SAVE THE DATE FOR OUR ADULT SPRING MISSION TRIP** The date for our adult spring mission trip for **April 27-May 2**. The destination has not be finalized at this time, but please prayerfully consider joining the team. "The body of Christ has many different parts, but when we act in Christ's name, serving with others we become the living hands and feet of Christ working to rebuild homes and lives." If interested please contact Connie Ruths at [boco1mato@g.com](mailto:boco1mato@g.com) or call 360.4365 or 480.671.2775.

**MEALS IN MISSION SERVANTS** if you are interested in helping to serve a 6:00pm meal at the YMCA Supportive Housing Campus (no food preparation required) on the 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of the month please contact Bill or Connie Funk at 964.8352 or via email at [bfruns@aol.com](mailto:bfruns@aol.com).

**SOUL FOOD** is in need of additional help on Wednesdays from about 5:30pm until 7:00pm to help with clean-up. If this is something you would like to help with please contact Ann Fink at 965.1899.

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**MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES – FEBRUARY 15, 2015**

- I am currently or have served in a branch of the military or National Guard

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