



We Welcome Our Guests to Ankeny

First! At today's worship service we pray that you will sense a new and energized connection with the presence of God as we worship through singing, praying, learning, and experiencing together. We invite you to tear off the Connect Card, fill it out and drop it in the offering baskets.

Worshipping at Ankeny First

Children are always welcome in worship, and "Worship Bags" containing children's activities are available for them to use. 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.

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.

Communion The first weekend of each month.

Worship	Sunday School
<u>Uptown:</u> 206 SW Walnut St ~ 964-4249 Saturdays 5:00pm ~ Spirit Alive Sundays 8:30am ~ Traditional 9:45am ~ Relaxed Contemporary 11:00am ~ New Traditions	<u>Uptown:</u> 9:45: 3yr old –8th grade 11:00: 3yr old –5th grade
<u>Christian Life Center:</u> 710 NE 36th St ~ 289-9153 Wednesdays 6:15pm ~ Casual Saturdays 7:15pm ~ "The Road" Sundays 9:00am & 10:45am ~ Contemporary	<u>Christian Life Center:</u> 9:00: 3yr old –8th grade 10:45: 3yr old –5th grade
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Nursery available at all Sunday services.

At Ankeny First, we are intentional in keeping our Membership covenant to uphold the United Methodist Church by our PRAYERS, PRESENCE, GIFTS, SERVICE & WITNESS:

PRAYERS: The following are some of our joys and concerns:

Hospitals: Methodist: Sandy Lucas **Discharged:** Maxine Anderson, Laurie Davis, Helen Hanson, Dima Krull, Joyce Lavender, Catherine Young

Altar Flowers: In honor of Gary & Ardis Morrison's 50th anniversary.

Sympathy to: ♦ Lindsay Drake on the death of her grandmother on Aug. 15. ♦ Tanner & Cody Bock on the death of their mother, Nancy Bock, on Aug. 16.

Baptism: (The Road) Linden Baker Ramsey, daughter of Tara Ramsey. **(Up 11)** Baer August Bentz, son of Adam & Bobbi Bentz. **(CLC 9)** Beckett Lee Christoph, son of Tony & Nicole Christoph. **(CLC 10:45)** Broden Chase & Samantha Marie Boliver, children of Jill Boliver, and Garner Boliver. **(FC 10:30)** Drake Carter Ruopp, son of Douglas & LeighAnn Ruopp.

PRESENCE: The following are attendance figures from last week:

WORSHIP (Wednesdays@First)36 (The Road)35 (Sat)59 (8:30)138 (9:45)156 (11:00)129 (CLC-9:00)250 (CLC-10:45)175 (FC-9:00)82 (FC-10:30)29 Total = 1,090

SUNDAY SCHOOL (Uptown)42 (FC)3 (CLC)104 Total = 149

GIFTS: Last week's offering for Christ's work here and around the world:

Operating Budget \$32,159.69 Capital Campaign \$6,611.69 Missions \$2,154 Other \$680.61 Aug. Food Pantry: 125 (food items), 22 (personal care items), 1 (infant formula), July (\$2,140)

Adult Study|Connection

Two Fall Sessions of Financial Peace University Financial Peace University (FPU) teaches God's way of handling money. Through video teaching, class discussions and interactive small group activities, FPU presents biblical, practical steps to get from where you are to where you've dreamed you could be. This plan shows you how to get rid of debt, manage your money, spend and save wisely, and much more. Scholarships are available upon request. Please visit our website or contact Lindsay Drake with any questions. **Sept. 10** CLC room 105 from 6:30-8:00pm AND **Sept. 20** Uptown Lounge from 5:00-6:30pm.

New Disciple Sessions Starting in September Four different Disciple sessions will launch! Visit us on-line to register or for more information www.AnkenyFirst.org/disciple.htm!

- **Disciple 1:** Friday mornings, beginning **September 11** at 11am at the CLC
- **Disciple 2:** Wednesdays, beginning **September 9** at 11am at the CLC
- **Disciple 3:** Mondays, beginning **September 14** at 6:30pm at the CLC
- **Disciple 4:** Thursdays, beginning **September 10** at 11am at Uptown

New Alpha Session Join our "Come and See" event on **September 13**. At Alpha, guests are invited to freely explore the Christian faith in a relaxed setting. Each week enjoy a meal and a talk on subjects such as "Who is Jesus?," "How Can I Have Faith?" and "How Can I Make the Most of My Life?" More details about Alpha can be found at the Connect. It will be held in the Uptown Fellowship Hall at 5:30pm. All welcome!

NEW! Alpha 2 Offering Have you gone through Alpha and experienced the amazing small group atmosphere and connection? Do you miss your Alpha nights? You are invited to come and experience Alpha 2! The evening still begins with fellowship, supper, and worship. Rather than watching the Alpha talks, the Alpha 2 group participate in a separate small group time. No registration required. Simply attend the "Come and See" event on **September 13** at 5:30 in the Uptown Fellowship Hall.

United Methodism 101 Are you new to the United Methodist denomination? Or are you a long-time member, but would like to learn more about our faith tradition? Several groups over the next few months will be exploring the basics of what makes us United Methodist. Wednesdays, 6:45pm at the CLC, room 105 beginning **September 9**. No registration required; simply join us. Watch for more opportunities for this course!

Revival: A Faith As Wesley Lived It John Wesley, founder of the Methodist movement, had a message that still rings true for 21st century Christians. Wesley called for a revival of our hearts and souls so that the world might be changed. In this 6-week study, Adam Hamilton will bring participants through the places where Wesley lived and taught. Sundays beginning **September 13**, in Uptown Room 310, 9:45-10:45am. Just show up to participate!

New Opportunity: Pizza With the Pastors Are you new to Ankeny First? Are you interested in learning more about our 3-site faith community? Join us for Pizza with a Pastors on Sunday, **September 13**, at the Uptown site in the Lounge from Noon – 2:00pm. You will have an opportunity to meet the pastor, hear about the vision of the church's leadership and meet others new to the church. Please sign the Connect Card and indicate your need for childcare.

Prayer Requests

- Please keep this confidential to pastors and church staff only.
- Please put this on our public prayer chain.

- I would like to speak with a pastor or someone from our Christian Care Ministry about this request.

Hospital Notices

Name _____

Hospital _____

Date _____

Ministry Opportunities

- I would like to help with Soul Food.
 - Sysco
 - Grilled-cheese maker
 - Food Prep
 - Clean-up crew
- I want to know more about Alpha or the New Alpha 2 class.
- I would like to help with "Right Next Door" conference.
- I want to serve with our Children's Ministry programs.
- I would like to help remove organ pipes in the Uptown sanctuary.
- I am planning on going to Bidwell on August 26.
- I/we will attend Pizza with the Pastors #_____ Childcare # & Ages_____

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Uptown Campus ~ Traditional Worship August 23, 2015 ~ 8:30am

SONGFEST Leader: Terri Kraus

WELCOME / *CONGREGATIONAL GREETING

*CALL TO WORSHIP Worship Leader: Pastor Angie Loomis

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN

"Blessed Assurance" #369

*OPENING PRAYER/WORDS OF PARDON & ASSURANCE

ANTHEM

"Down to the River to Pray" [Traditional]

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/THE LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN OF REFLECTION

"Change My Heart, O God"

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SERMON: *"Come to the Waters—Ahhh...Baptism!"*

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*DOXOLOGY/*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*HYMN OF SENDING

"Come, Let Us Use the Grace Divine" #606

*BENEDICTION / POSTLUDE

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GATHERING SONG

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*PRAISE SONGS

CHILDREN'S TIME

PRAYER TIME/SONG OF REFLECTION

SCRIPTURE: John 1:23-34

SERMON

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MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS:

OFFERTORY

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*PRAISE

PRAYER

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

CHILDREN'S TIME

OFFERING OF OURSELVES

SCRIPTURE

Matthew 3

SERMON

"Waters of Change"

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ANTHEM "Down to the River to Pray" [Traditional]

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN Worship Leader: Pastor Angie Loomis

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"Immortal, Invisible"
"He Is Exalted"

JOYS & CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/LORD'S PRAYER

SONG OF REFLECTION "Think About His Love"

SCRIPTURE John 1:23-34

SERMON "Come to the Waters—Ahhh...Baptism!" Rev. Scott Hibben

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS:

OFFERTORY Walnut Street Players

***DOXOLOGY**

***PARTING MUSIC** "Come, Let Us Use the Grace Divine"

***BLESSINGS FOR THE WEEK**

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HYMN SING/PRELUDE

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

***OPENING HYMN** "Come, Come, Everybody Worship" TFWS #2271

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

***WORDS OF PARDON AND ASSURANCE**

***OUR RESPONSE** "Glory Be to the Father" #70

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SPECIAL MUSIC Walnut Street Players

SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 3:13-17

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***DEDICATION HYMN** "Wash, O God, Our Sons and Daughters" #605

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