



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:** Between both services. **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	<u>Uptown:</u>
Saturdays 5:00pm ~ Spirit Alive	9:45: 3yr old –8th grade
Sundays 8:30am ~ Traditional	11:00: 3yr old –5th grade
9:45am ~ Relaxed Contemporary	9:45: Seekers (adult)
11:00am ~ New Traditions	9:45: Alpha & Omega (adult)
<u>Christian Life Center:</u> 710 NE 36th St ~ 289-9153	9:45: Disciple's Dojo (adult)
Wednesdays 6:15pm ~ Casual	<u>Christian Life Center:</u>
Saturdays 7:15pm ~ "The Road"	9:00: 3yr old –8th grade
Sundays 9:00am & 10:45am ~ Contemporary	10:45: 3yr old –5th grade
<u>Faith Chapel:</u> 7384 NW 16th St ~ 289-2171	<u>Faith Chapel:</u>
Sundays 9:00am ~ Traditional	10:30am ~ 3yr old-3rd grade
10:30am ~ Casual	

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: Mercy: Howard Twidt **Sunnyview:** Dee Moss **Discharged:** Vivian Rittenhouse, Tom Shults, Rebecca Starr

Altar Flowers: In loving memory of Chuck Honeck from Bette & Haley Honeck.

Altar Rose: (Uptown) In celebration of the birth of Greta Ruth Boehm, daughter of Blair & Megan Boehm, and granddaughter of John & Jan Boehm on October 21.

Sympathy to: Don McFayden on the death of his mother, Joyce on Sept. 22. ♦ Carol Rail on the death of her brother on Oct. 11. ♦ Deb Murphy on the death of her mother on Oct. 14. ♦ Nancy Bakke on the death of her husband, Rick Bakke on Oct. 18.

Baptism: (Uptown 9:45) Jonathan Michael Carlson, son of Mitchell & Lynette Carlson.

(CLC 9:00) Sophie Louise Campbell, daughter of Alex Campbell & Morgan O'Connell.

(CLC 10:45) Brooklyn Elyse Potthoff, daughter of Courtney & Kelly Potthoff.

PRESENCE: The following are attendance figures from last week:

WORSHIP (Wednesdays@First)50 (The Road)42 (Sat)38 (8:30)179 (9:45)125 (11:00)164 (CLC-9:00)239 (CLC-10:45)147 (FC-9:00)68 (FC-10:30)23 Total = 1,075

SUNDAY SCHOOL (Uptown)104 (FC)3 (CLC)129 Total = 236

October Food Pantry: 85 Food Items; 21 Infant; September donations: \$1,608

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

Operating Budget \$40,934.50 Capital Campaign \$10,240.92 Mission \$4,307.27 Other \$393.36

Care | Connection

Military Ministry Team The Military Ministry is hosting a trip to the Gold Star Museum at Camp Dodge on Saturday, **November 21**. We will be departing the Uptown location at 9:00am for this FREE event. Please register on our website.

Join Our Incredible Worship Hospitality Team by serving with a smile once a month (or more) at one of our weekend worship services. This important ministry involves welcoming worshipers as an Usher or Greeter. If you have a heart for assisting people and helping them feel welcome in worship, please sign-up on the Connect Card to serve, or email Melody.Webb@AnkenyFirst.org.

Military Families Honored on Veterans Day On Wednesday, **November 11**, we will honor all veterans and/or families of active military with an invitation to come for a free meal as a small measure of our thanks for service to protect our country. Supper is served cafeteria-style at TWO sites:

- Uptown during Soul Food Café from 5:00pm to 6:30pm.
- Christian Life Center during Wednesdays@First from 5:30 to 6:15pm

Do you know some military families? Please invite them to join us. No need to wear a uniform, just come and share the food and fellowship with us!

In Mission

Agape Garden Has Record Year! 21,100 lbs. was harvested from the garden! 850 lbs. of apples picked by Agape Garden servants at a local orchard then donated to those in need! **21,950 lbs.** total of fresh produce donated on behalf of Agape Garden! Recipients of our produce include DMARC, Bethel Mission, The Cupboard at Lutheran Church of Hope Ankeny, and AFUMC Meals in Mission. This great success would not be possible without the support of our church family - your financial support, service, and prayers mean the world to Agape Garden, and we humbly thank you.

Bidwell-Riverside Workday Our next workday is Thursday, **October 29**. We will meet in the north, Uptown parking lot, and leave at 9:00am. We will be back by 1:00pm. There is a variety of tasks to do according to your ability. Call Pam Heilskov 257.0557 with questions, or just show up at the parking lot!

Thanksgiving Ingathering Is November 7! Today we will dedicate all the Ingathering kits. Thank you for all your donations!

Sign Up NOW for the Family Christmas Project The Family Christmas Project is an opportunity to purchase Christmas gifts for families who might not otherwise receive any. You can register on-line for the number of individuals you wish to help between now and **November 9**. Paper sign-up copies are also available at The Connect at all sites. The assigned families will be distributed via e-mail by **Nov. 29**, and gifts can be delivered to the Uptown Family Center **December 11-13**. Spending suggestions: a minimum of \$35/child. Questions? Contact Elizabeth Buxton, buxtons24@gmail.com.

Habitat Panel Build November 7 Did you miss the panel build last weekend? We have another opportunity on Sat., **November 7**. This time the construction will take place inside the Habitat facility at 2200 E. Euclid Ave. so good weather is guaranteed. First shift starts at 7:30am; second shift begins at 11:30am. No experience necessary! Visit our website at www.ankenfirst.org/habitat.htm and find the sign-up link TODAY!

Youth

Join Us Tonight for Youth@First! 6th through 12th graders are all invited! We are finishing up our message series about LOVE. Come to the CLC and check out what we will be talking about next! We have a meal served at 5:45pm for \$3.00. This week we will be serving Chicken Tacos! Service starts at 6:30pm with small groups to follow! Bring a friend and see what the Youth@First is all about!

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 sing with the Men's Vocal Group Uptown on November 22.
- I would like to receive 2016 Offering Envelopes
- I am interested in serving in the Worship Hospitality Ministry:
 - Usher Greeter
 Time/Location _____
- I am interested in joining a United Methodist Women's circle or helping the women in mission projects.
- "Tough Questions" will be our Jan-Feb. worship theme. Tell us what tough questions of faith you wrestle with, and we'll address them in the series.

More announcements on reverse side.

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Uptown Campus ~ Traditional Worship October 25, 2015 ~ 8:30am

PRELUDE

WELCOME / *CONGREGATIONAL GREETING

*CALL TO WORSHIP Worship Leader: Mike Orthel

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN

"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" #89

*OPENING PRAYER/WORDS OF PARDON & ASSURANCE

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

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*DOXOLOGY / *PRAYER OF DEDICATION

HYMN OF REFLECTION *"Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus"* #462 vs. 1,3,4

SCRIPTURE: 2 Corinthians 9:6-15

SERMON: *"Gifted—With God's Gift of Treasure"* Rev. Angie Loomis

***HYMN OF SENDING** *"Standing on the Promises"* #374 vs. 1,2,4

*BENEDICTION / POSTLUDE

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Uptown ~ Relaxed Contemporary Worship October 25, 2015 ~ 9:45am

GATHERING SONG / WELCOME

*CONGREGATIONAL GREETING

SPECIAL MUSIC Kids of the Kingdom

*PRAISE SONG

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DOXOLOGY "Give Thanks"

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SERMON

"Gifted—With God's Gift of Treasure" Rev. Angie Loomis

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**Christian Life Center
Contemporary Worship
October 25, 2015 ~ 9:00am & 10:45am**

*PRAISE

PRAYER

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OFFERING OF OURSELVES

SCRIPTURE

2 Corinthians 9:1-9

SERMON

"Gifted—Treasure"
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PRELUDE Walnut Street Players

WELCOME/*CONGREGATIONAL GREETING

***SING PRAISE TO GOD** "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"
"Come, Now Is the Time to Worship"
"Blessed Be Your Name"

OFFERING OUR PRAYERS, PRESENCE, GIFTS, SERVICE & WITNESS

PRAYERS/THE LORD'S PRAYER
OFFERTORY Walnut Street Players

***DOXOLOGY**
SONG OF REFLECTION "10,000 Reasons"

SCRIPTURE 2 Corinthians 9:6-15
SERMON "Gifted—With God's Gift of Treasure" Rev. Angie Loomis

***SENDING SONG** "Standing on the Promises"

***BENEDICTION**

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Powerpoint: Laddie Divine **Worship Team:** Jan Boehm, Lori, Andrew, Joel, & Alisha Unick

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WELCOME

*CALL TO WORSHIP

*OPENING HYMN "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" #89

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

*WORDS OF PARDON AND ASSURANCE

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

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE ~JOYS & CONCERNS

OFFERTORY Klein Family

*DOXOLOGY & PRAYER OF DEDICATION #95

SPECIAL MUSIC Walnut Street Players

SCRIPTURE READING 2 Corinthians 9:1-9

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*DEDICATION HYMN "Standing On the Promises" #374 vs. 1,2,4

*CLOSING BLESSING/BENEDICTION SONG

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OPENING SONG

PRAYERS

OFFERING

CONVERSATIONAL MESSAGE

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