



**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
Uptown: 206 SW Walnut St ~ 964-4249	Uptown:
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)
Christian Life Center: 710 NE 36th St ~ 289-9153	9:45: Disciple's Dojo (adult)
Wednesdays 6:15pm ~ Casual	Christian Life Center:
Saturdays 7:15pm ~ "The Road"	9:00: 3yr old –8th grade
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Faith Chapel: 7384 NW 16th St ~ 289-2171	Faith Chapel:
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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: Methodist:** Dima Krull **Legacy (Waukee):** Howard Twidt **Discharged:** xx

**Altar Flowers:** Altar Guild arrangement.

**Altar Rose: (Uptown)** In celebration of the birth of Mason Scott Ingersoll, son of Scott & Tiffany Ingersoll on Nov. 12. ♦ **(Uptown)** In celebration of the birth of Wyatt Daniel Nikkel, son of Dan & Trish Nikkel, on Nov. 16.

**Sympathy to:** Tina Bannister on the death of her aunt on November 12. ♦ John & Lisa Montgomery on the death of John's brother, Alex.

**Baptism: (Uptown 9:45)** Georgia Lee Criss, daughter of Chad & Jill Criss, and granddaughter of Sue Streeter.

**PRESENCE:** The following are attendance figures from last week:

**WORSHIP** (Wednesdays@First)25 (The Road)37 (Sat)27 (8:30)246 (9:45)159 (11:00)312 (CLC-9:00)282 (CLC-10:45)160 (FC-9:00)68 (FC-10:30)37 Total = 1,353

**SUNDAY SCHOOL** (Uptown)97 (FC)7 (CLC)171 Total = 275

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

Operating Budget \$35,851.40 Capital Campaign \$6,558.46 Mission \$6,032.23 Other \$199.93

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General News

**Office help needed at Trinity UMC in Des Moines** Temporary office help is needed 4-8 hours a week. You may work anytime during their normal business day. This volunteer position will be needed for the next few months. Interested? Contact Bill & Connie Funk at [bfruns@aol.com](mailto:bfruns@aol.com), or sign up on the Connect Card.

**UMW Craft Day** Crafting a Christmas gift for a friend? Dedicate some time to your project and enjoy fellowship this Monday, **Nov. 23**, from 1:00-3:00pm in the Uptown lounge. *We will not meet in December, but will resume January 25.*

**Poinsettias Orders/Christmas Mission Offering** We have altered our traditional poinsettia orders this year at Faith Chapel and the CLC! The Uptown site procedure remains the same! At Faith Chapel and the Christian Life Center, you can make a donation *to the Christmas Mission Offering* in honor or in memory of a loved one to be represented in a special display. Find order envelopes at The Connect. Return them in the offering plate or to the Uptown office *by November 27.*

**Wednesday, November 25 Programming** Please note that our Uptown Wednesday night Soul Food Café will not be serving a meal due to the Thanksgiving holiday, however, all our CLC Wednesdays@First activities are on as usual! If your routine is to eat at our Soul Food Café, we invite you to the CLC for the meal at 5:45, a Thanksgiving worship at 6:30, and small groups to follow.

**UMW Christmas Dinner** The annual UMW Christmas Dinner will be **December 3**, at 6:30pm in the Uptown Fellowship Hall. Get your tickets (\$10) in the Uptown office or watch for sales before and after upcoming worship services!

**Faith Chapel UMW Christmas Program** Monday, **December 7**, 7:00pm. Everyone is invited to attend this special Christmas event! Our Puppet Ministry, Visual Scriptures, will present "God's Glorious Gift." Refreshments will be served following the puppet show. Please bring children's gloves, scarves, hats and socks to decorate our Christmas Giving Tree for Bidwell-Riverside Center. Any free-will donations will be presented to New Directions/Hawthorn Hill to assist their programming needs.

Youth

**Youth@First** will be relocated to the Iowa Energy basketball game tonight! We will meet in the main entrance of Wells Fargo Arena at 3:45pm (game starts at 4:00pm). If you have not yet requested tickets, there is still time. Send an email to [nick.peters@ankenyfirst.org](mailto:nick.peters@ankenyfirst.org) letting him know how many tickets you need and he will have them at the door for you. The cost is \$8/ticket. It's a great night to bring a friend! This event will take the place of our normal youth service held at the CLC!

**"One Starry Night" Advent Festival** Sunday, **December 6**, 3:00-5:00pm in the Uptown Family Center—Bring the real Christmas story to life with your children and family! At the event, your family will join Mary and Joseph as they go on their journey to Bethlehem with fun and exciting drama, music, crafts, games, and homemade bread! Come and enjoy the sights, sounds, and smells of Bethlehem before the Birth of Jesus! Everyone is invited to this fun event for the whole family. *THEN, stay for a Family Pizza Party from 4:30-6:30pm in the Uptown Fellowship Hall!*

**Advent Festival Volunteers Needed!** Join in the fun at the "One Starry Night" Advent Festival! Please contact Pat Crownover at [pat.crownover@ankenyfirst.org](mailto:pat.crownover@ankenyfirst.org) if you would like to help, or sign the Connect Card.

**12 Days of Christmas Workouts** Keep fitness and faith a priority during this busy Christmas season. Join us the 12 weekdays before Christmas Eve for a daily workout that follows the 12 Days of Christmas song format. Each day will offer new exercises and a Christmas-themed devotion. Classes will be held **Monday, December 7–Tuesday, December 22**. Available sessions: 5:15am, 6:00am, or 6:30pm (no Friday evening classes). Cost is \$20. Pre-registration is required and space is limited so register soon on our website!

*More announcements on reverse side.*

## Prayer Requests

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

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- 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 the Advent Festival.
  - \_\_\_ Reader \_\_\_ Baker \_\_\_ Craft helper
  - \_\_\_ Actor \_\_\_ Set-up/tear-down crew
- I would like more information about the next Malawi Mission trip.
- I can deliver poinsettias to our Saints at Home.
- I would like to help with this year's Christmas Day potluck.
- I would donate Christmas cookies for the Malawi Christmas Cookie Walk.
- I am willing to help with the second shift (10:45 service) fellowship time at the CLC.
- I would like to volunteer with Family Promise at Faith Chapel in 2016.
  - Jan 3-10  Mar 13-20  May 29-Jun 6
  - \_\_\_ Set-up \_\_\_ Driver \_\_\_ Cook
  - \_\_\_ Evening host \_\_\_ Overnight host
  - \_\_\_ Laundry \_\_\_ Tear-down
  - \_\_\_ Purchasing
- I would like to volunteer at Trinity UMC office.

Sports|Fitness Children|Families

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## Uptown Campus ~ Traditional Worship November 22, 2015 ~ 8:30am

### PRELUDE

#### WELCOME / \*CONGREGATIONAL GREETING

\*CALL TO WORSHIP Worship Leader: Melody Webb

\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN "Rejoice the Lord Is King" #715

\*OPENING PRAYER/WORDS OF PARDON & ASSURANCE

ANTHEM "Enter His Gates With Songs of Thanksgiving"

[Clatterbuck/Singley] Men's Vocal Group

### TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

#### OFFERING OUR PRAYERS, PRESENCE, GIFTS, SERVICE & WITNESS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE / THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERTORY "We Shall Walk Through the Valley in Peace" [Wagner]  
Praise Ringers

\*DOXOLOGY / \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

HYMN OF REFLECTION "Blessed Assurance" #369 vs. 1 & 3

SCRIPTURE: Luke 10:25-37

SERMON: "Thanks-living" Rev. Scott Hibben

\*HYMN OF SENDING "Jesus Shall Reign" #157

\*BENEDICTION / POSTLUDE

*\*Please stand if you are able.*

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**Greeters:** Verlyn & Julie Hoogland, Lory & Mary Johnson

**Organist:** Mark Shultz **Tech Support:** Todd Gilpin, Riley Cullen

**Fellowship Servers:** Sunday Hospitality Team **Acolytes:** Confirmation Students

**Praise Ringers Director:** Elaine Oursler **Men's Vocal Group Directors:** Don Miller, JoAnn Orthel

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GATHERING SONG / WELCOME

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\*PRAISE SONGS

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DOXOLOGY "Give Thanks"

SONG OF REFLECTION "For the Beauty of the Earth"

SCRIPTURE

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SERMON

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\*PRAISE

PRAYER

SPECIAL MUSIC BY KIDS OF THE KINGDOM (9:00)

CHILDREN'S TIME

OFFERING OF OURSELVES

SCRIPTURE

1 Corinthians 13:1-8, 13

SERMON

"Putting Your Love in Action"  
Brian Gillette / Rev. John Wagner

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## Uptown ~ New Traditions Worship

**November 22, 2015 ~ 11:00am**

**PRELUDE** "We Shall Walk Through the Valley in Peace" [Wagner]  
Praise Ringers

### WELCOME/\*CONGREGATIONAL GREETING

\***GATHERING SONG** "Forever"

**ANTHEM** "Enter His Gates With Songs of Thanksgiving"  
[Clatterbuck/Singley] Men's Vocal Group

**TIME WITH THE CHILDREN** Worship Leader: Melody Webb

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<b>WELCOME/*CONGREGATIONAL GREETING</b>	
<b>*SING PRAISE TO GOD</b>	"Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing" "Come, Now Is the Time to Worship" "Forever"
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**Powerpoint:** Laddie Devine **Worship Team:** Jan Boehm, Sara Tourte, DJ Swope

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PRELUDE Walnut Street Players

WELCOME

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

\*OPENING SONG "Gather Us In" TFWS #2236

\*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 Walnut Street Players

\*DOXOLOGY & PRAYER OF DEDICATION #95

SPECIAL MUSIC Walnut Street Players

SCRIPTURE READING Luke 17:11-19

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\*CLOSING SONG "The Summons" TFWS #2130

\*CLOSING BLESSING/BENEDICTION SONG

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OFFERING

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