



**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. Healing oil is also available in the Uptown Chapel after communion.

**Worship**

**Uptown:** 206 SW Walnut St ~ **964-4249**  
 Saturdays 5:00pm ~ Spirit Alive  
 Sundays 8:30am ~ Traditional  
           9:45am ~ Relaxed Contemporary  
           11:00am ~ New Traditions  
**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 ~ **964-4249**  
 Sundays 9:00am ~ Traditional  
           10:30am ~ Casual

**Sunday School**

**Uptown:**  
 9:45: 3yr old -7th grade  
 11:00: 3yr old -5th grade  
 9:45: Seekers (adult)  
 9:45: Alpha & Omega (adult)  
 9:45: Disciple's Dojo (adult)  
**Christian Life Center:**  
 9:00: 3yr old -5th grade  
 10:45: 3yr old -5th grade  
**Faith Chapel:**  
 10:30am ~ 3yr old-3rd grade

**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:** Mill Pond: Mary Doubleday **Sunnyview:** Joyce Lundstrom, Marilyn Sewell, Dean Stall  
**Blank:** McKenna Riebkes **Discharged:** Jerry Reid, Kay Wayman  
**Sympathy to:** Connie Weieneth on the death of her brother on June 30. ♦ Liz Shipley, Teresa Collins, & extended family on the death of their mother, & grandmother, Betty Hirsch on June 30. ♦ Charity Wenham on the death of her father on July 2.

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

**WORSHIP:** (The Road)33 (Sat)36 (8:30)157 (9:45)96 (11:00)119  
 (CLC-9:00)162 (CLC-10:45)130 (FC-9:00)51 (FC-10:30)22 Total = 806

**SUNDAY SCHOOL** (Uptown)41 (FC)- (CLC)65

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

Operating Budget \$35,468.88 Cap. Campaign \$6,669.96 Mission \$1,270.00 Other \$144.50

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**In Mission**

**Agape Garden Needs Your Help!** Regular work hours: Tuesdays & Thursdays 6:00pm-dusk; Saturdays 8:00am-noon at Faith Chapel. This is a great way for your small groups or families to be in mission together. You don't have to have a green thumb to help...all gardening skill levels welcome! If these times don't work, call the church office to make other arrangements, 964.4249. See the CONNECT CARD to sign-up and commit to helping this coming week!

**UMCOR Health Kits** are sent to those who have endured natural disaster or human conflict in the U.S. and around the world. The list of the seven items needed is available at The Connect. Please pick-up a list and return items or complete kits to the UMCOR tubs *by October*. The \$2 for shipping and \$1 for toothpaste should be returned to the church office. Thanks for all the kits that have been returned so far...keep them coming!

**South Sudanese Sunday School** There is a new congregation of refugee United Methodist Christians from the South Sudan meeting at Epworth UMC (on Euclid), but they need help teaching their children the Christian faith in Sunday School. Ankeny First has agreed to lead them in worship, prayer, games/activities and lessons the **first Sunday of each month** from 1:30-2:40pm. Please sign the CONNECT CARD if you can help.

**July Mission of the Month** In July, we will focus on getting school supplies for students that struggle to purchase them on their own right here in Ankeny and beyond. There are two causes we are highlighting:

**InGathering School Bags**—Pick up the empty school bags at any of our worship sites. Inside each bag you will find instructions and a supply list to fill the bag. These are basic supplies, geared for basic education in third world countries where supplies are sometimes nonexistent, but are also distributed in the U.S. from time to time after disasters. Return the filled bags to the designated InGathering bins at any of our three sites.

**Project Fresh Start**—This program provides students in Ankeny with free school supplies and backpacks. They accept any supplies for any grade (they will then be organized for distribution on Aug. 4 & 6). Supply lists can be found on the Ankeny School District & Ankeny Christian Academy websites and also at many local retailers that sell supplies. Please drop supplies in our designated Mission of the Month bins **by July 22!**

*Watch for sales to begin and take advantage of them! Monetary donations are encouraged as well. Please find a "Mission of the Month" envelope at THE CONNECT or write "July Mission of the Month" in your check memo.*

**Diaper Day** All are welcome to join us in sewing diapers for orphanages in Haiti on Saturday, **July 23**, 8:30-11:30am in the Uptown Fellowship Hall. We need servants to cut, pin, turn, hem, as well as those who are willing to bring sewing machines. Contact Lynda Smith, 289.2570 or Nancy Miller, 964-8669, with questions. We made 100 diapers at our last workshop; perhaps we can make as many on July 23! Bring a friend.

**UMW Rummage Sale** It is time to start thinking about the August all-church rummage sale scheduled for **Aug. 5-6** at the Christian Life Center. Any questions can be directed to Mary Johnson, 964-5591. We'll need help starting on August 3 for set-up!

**Youth**

**Saylorville Lake Grill Out for 6th-12th Graders** Youth are invited for a grill out on Wednesday, **July 20!** Transportation provided. Just meet at JC's Café at our Uptown campus at 4:45pm. Enjoy food and fellowship! Bring a friend along!

**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 Popsicles in the Park & Bottles for Bikers **Wed., July 13.**
- I would like to help at the Agape Garden this week.
  - Tues. 6pm-dusk
  - Thurs. 6pm-dusk
  - Sat. 8am-noon
- I am interested in helping teach Sunday School the first Sunday of each month at Epworth UMC in Des Moines with the S. Sudanese partnership.
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*More announcements on reverse side.*

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PRELUDE "There's No One in This World Like Jesus (Palibe Ofana)"  
[Traditional African] Melody & Anne Marie Webb

### WELCOME / \*CONGREGATIONAL GREETING

\*CALL TO WORSHIP Worship Leader: Melody Webb

\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN "We Are Singing (Siyahamba)"

\*OPENING PRAYER/WORDS OF PARDON & ASSURANCE

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HYMN OF REFLECTION "This Is My Song" #437

### SERMON

Rev. Scott Hibben

\*HYMN OF SENDING "We've a Story to Tell to the Nations" #569 vs. 1,2,4

\*BENEDICTION / POSTLUDE

*\*Please stand if you are able.*

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Bob & Mary Ann Scott

Pianist: Christine Stone Men's Group Director: Don Miller

Men's Group Accompanist: Fonda Wettestad

Acolytes: Confirmation Students Tech Support: Del Piittmann, David Green

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\*PRAISE

PRAYER

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OFFERING OF OURSELVES

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**TIME WITH THE CHILDREN**

**ANTHEM** "I Will Sing!" [arr. Raney] Men's Vocal Group

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE / LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERTORY

\*DOXOLOGY

**HYMN OF REFLECTION** "This Is My Song"

**SERMON** Rev. Scott Hibben

**\*HYMN OF SENDING** "We've a Story to Tell to the Nations"

**\*BENEDICTION / POSTLUDE**

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**Pianist:** Christine Stone **Men's Group Director:** Don Miller

**Men's Group Accompanist:** Fonda Wettestad

**Worship Leader:** Melody Webb

**Tech Support:** Herb Wilson **Acolytes:** Confirmation Students

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**Uptown ~ Spirit Alive  
July 9, 2016 ~ 5:00pm**

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**\*SING PRAISE TO GOD** "Open Up the Heavens"  
"God You Reign"

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**SCRIPTURE**

**SERMON**

**\*SONG OF SENDING**

**\*BENEDICTION**

"How Great Is Our God"

2 Timothy 4:1-8

"The 9th Story" Rev. Thom Bryant

"All the Earth"

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**July 10, 2016 ~ 9:00am**

**HYMN SING**

**WELCOME**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

**\*OPENING HYMN** "Blessed Assurance" #369

**\*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, CELEBRATIONS & CONCERNS**

**OFFERTORY**

**\*DOXOLOGY & PRAYER OF DEDICATION** #95

**SERMON HYMN** "Because He Lives" #364

**SERMON** "Malawi Reflection" Malawi Team

**\*HYMN OF DEDICATION** "We Are the Church" #558

**\*BENEDICTION/BENEDICTION SONG**

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