



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) Rm 314
 9:45: Alpha & Omega (adult) Lounge
 9:45: Disciple's Dojo (adult) Rm 310
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: Blank: McKenna Riebkes **Mercy:** Nicki Crouch **Methodist:** Bob McKenna
Mayo: Marcia Albertson **Sunnyview:** Wilma Taylor **Discharged:** Darlene Cooper, Jim Drake, Diane McDermott

Altar Rose (CLC): In celebration of the birth of Lucas Mark Sherman, son of Phil & Allie Sherman, and grandson of Mark & DeAnn Vogt.

Sympathy to: Liz Shipley on the death of her aunt Mary on August 30.

Baptism: (9:00 CLC) Raelyn Charlotte Borchert, daughter of Josh & Laura Borchert, and granddaughter of Bryan & Linda Butler.

PRESENCE: The following are attendance figures from last week:

WORSHIP: (The Road)53 (Sat)52 (8:30)208 (9:45)136 (11:00)132
 (CLC-9:00)283 (CLC-10:45)164 (FC-9:00)66 (FC-10:30)21 Total = 1,115

SUNDAY SCHOOL (Uptown)66 (FC)3 (CLC)159

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

Operating Budget \$25,413.64 Cap. Campaign \$6,062.46 Memorial \$935 Mission \$1,581.25 Other \$480

Find us on the web at www.AnkenyFirst.org.

Sports/Fitness

Golf @First Kick-off the Cy-Hawk weekend with a fun night of golf on Friday, **September 9** (shotgun start at 5:30pm). This outing will be played as a best ball scramble at Otter Creek Golf Course. Registration is \$30 per person which includes nine holes of golf and use of a cart. Hang around after golf for pizza at Otter Creek's Tin Cup restaurant. You can register individually or as a team. Registration is open on our website. Space is limited so register today. Don't forget to show your team spirit and wear your favorite school's fan gear! www.ankenyfirst.org/golf.htm

New Session of HIIT (High Intensity Interval Training) at Uptown HIIT will push you to your max each day in a quick 30-minute workout. Our HIIT sessions will consist of high-intensity periods followed by low-intensity exercises to recover. Variations of HIIT to keep your body guessing. Serving as one of the most effective workouts for the busiest of folks and also for those searching to increase the rate of fat-loss, HIIT is a must-do. Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday (9:30-10:00am in room 310 at Uptown). **Sept. 19- Nov. 10.** Cost is \$30. <http://ankenyfirst.org/hiit.htm>

REFIT® @FIRST is a fitness community that uses cardio dance to impact the body, soul and spirit! Our vision is for everyone to feel welcome, loved, and inspired. We embrace all fitness levels, ages, and most of all the uniqueness that makes you YOU! REFIT® is a sense of community that will last well beyond your workout. Saturdays, September 17- November 12. 9:30am at CLC. \$20 session or \$5/class. <http://ankenyfirst.org/uptown-fitness.htm>

Adult Study

Find a Small Group or Bible Study This Fall!

Visit us on-line to register or for more information on these Disciple sessions!

- **Disciple 1:** Monday evenings, beginning *September 12* from 6:30-8:30pm in CLC room 106/107 led by Pastor Scott Hibben
- **Disciple 2:** Wednesday evenings, beginning *September 14* from 5:30-7:30pm in Uptown room 310 led by Shelly Kubik.
- **Disciple 3:** Wednesdays, beginning *September 14* from 11:00am-1:00pm in CLC room 106/107 led by Roger Davis, Glenn Hobin and Greg Saboe
- **Disciple 4:** Sunday evenings, beginning *September 11* from 6:30-8:30pm in Uptown room 310 led by Steven Nielsen and Stan Broich.

Visit on-line ankenyfirst.org/small-group-opportunities.htm for full small group descriptions and how to get involved or find information at THE CONNECT. Questions? Lindsay.Drake@AnkenyFirst.org

- **That the World May Know: In the Dust of the Rabbi:** Begins *Sept. 8*, 6:30-8:00pm, Uptown Room 313
- **Alpha:** "Come & See" event, then join if it's for you! *September 11*, Uptown Fellowship Hall, 5:30pm.
- **Earn, Save, Give:** A new way to look at your finances. *September 14*, 6:00-7:00pm, Uptown room 314.
- **Journey 101:** Basic faith course that helps to answer essential questions. *September 14*, Uptown Lounge, 6:00-7:30pm.
- **Living Fully:** Designed to help us make careful, wise, and prayerful decisions at life's most important moments. *Sept. 14*, Uptown room 313, 6:00-7:00pm.
- **Work of the People:** How faith relates to current events. *September 14*, 6:30-7:30pm, JC's Café.
- **Downtown Des Moines Lunch & Learn:** Begins *September 14*, 12:10-12:50pm, at Iowa Homeless Youth Center, 612 Locust St., Des Moines
- **Financial Peace University:** Learning God's way to handle money. *Sept. 15* (CLC room 110, 6:30-8:00pm) & *Oct. 2* (Uptown Lounge, 5:00-6:30pm).

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 more information about small group studies beginning this fall.

Children's Ministry Servant Opportunities:

- Uptown Sunday School**
- 9:45—Kind.-1st Graders
- Bible Adventures**
- 6:30pm—Crafts
- KULE Kids**
- 6:30pm—Co-Coordinator

- I would like to sign-up to help with the following Sports Ministry program(s):
- Adult Volleyball
- Sept Golf Outing
- Kids Bball
- Little One's Open Gym
- 3v3 Bball Tournament

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**Uptown Campus ~ Traditional Worship
September 4, 2016 ~ 8:30am**

PRELUDE

WELCOME / *CONGREGATIONAL GREETING

*CALL TO WORSHIP Worship Leader: Melody Webb

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" #140

*OPENING PRAYER/WORDS OF PARDON & ASSURANCE

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

ANTHEM "Remember the Lord" [arr. Fettke] Beth Madison & Thomas Webb

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE / THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY / *PRAYER OF DEDICATION

HYMN OF REFLECTION "More Love to Thee, O Christ" #453 vs. 1-3

SCRIPTURE

The Book of Jeremiah

SERMON

"Champions—Jeremiah" Rev. Scott Hibben

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

*HYMN OF SENDING "Forth in Thy Name" #438 vs. 1-3

*BENEDICTION / POSTLUDE

**Please stand if you are able.*

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Worship Hosts: Mary Adkins, Betty Arnold, Terry & Veda Bergeson, Nancy & Rich Degner,

Ken Kise, Bob & Connie Ruths

Organist/Pianist: Paul Van Ryswyk **Acolytes:** Confirmation Students

Tech Support: Brett Pike, Kent Kiefer

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Uptown ~ Relaxed Contemporary Worship September 4, 2016 ~ 9:45am

*PRAISE SONGS

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TEXT

The Book of Jeremiah

SERMON

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SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

*SONG OF SENDING

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Contemporary Worship
September 4, 2016 ~ 9:00am & 10:45am**

*PRAISE

PRAYER

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM (9:00)

CHILDREN'S TIME

OFFERING OF OURSELVES

SCRIPTURE

Jeremiah 7:1-7

SERMON

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*CLOSING SONG

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GATHERING SONG "How Great Is Our God"

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***SONG OF PRAISE** "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" #140

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

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***SONG OF SENDING** "Forth In Thy Name" #438 vs. 1-3

***BENEDICTION / POSTLUDE**

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WELCOME/*CONGREGATIONAL GREETING

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OFFERING OUR PRAYERS, PRESENCE, GIFTS, SERVICE & WITNESS

PRAYERS/THE LORD'S PRAYER
OFFERTORY "Live Like That" [Frey/Glover/McDonald]
*DOXOLOGY

SONG OF REFLECTION "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

SCRIPTURE The Book of Jeremiah
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HYMN SING

PRELUDE

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*CALL TO WORSHIP

*OPENING HYMN

"Gather Us In"

TFWS #2236

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

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SERMON HYMN

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#375

SCRIPTURE

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