



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 Resources Uptown & Faith Chapel: large print hymnals and bulletins, wireless hearing aids, and wheelchairs. CLC: Wheelchairs.

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 -7th grade

9:45: Seekers (adult) Rm 315

9:45: Alpha & Omega (adult) Lounge

9:45: Disciple's Dojo (adult) Rm 310

9:45: Sunday School (adult) Rm 314

Christian Life Center:

9:00: 3yr old -7th grade

10:45: 3yr old -7th grade

Faith Chapel:

10:30: 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 (Hospice): Jeanne Dempster

St. Joseph's (Kansas City, MO): Pat McCollaugh **Discharged:** Carl Barnes, Glenna Trospen

Altar Rose (CLC): In celebration of the birth of Hayden Lee Johnson on Jan. 23, son of Mat & Hannah

Johnson, and grandson of Larry & Jody Johnson. **(UPT)** In celebration of the birth of Hazel Louise

Boehm on Jan. 24, daughter of Blair & Megan Boehm, and granddaughter of John & Jan Boehm.

Sympathy to: Jill Heimerman on the death of her mother, Patty Morse, on January 19.

PRESENCE: The following are attendance figures from last week:

WORSHIP: (The Road)25 (SA)42 (8:30)194 (9:45)141 (11:00)119

(CLC-9:00)254 (CLC-10:45)175 (FC-9:00)39 (FC-10:30)22 Total = 1,011

SUNDAY SCHOOL (Uptown)102 (FC)6 (CLC)180 Total = 288

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

Operating Budget \$36,460.37 Cap. Campaign \$8,282.00 Mission \$1,477.00

Youth

Youth Groups for 6th-12th Graders Schedule

• **Ignite:** Tonight, **January 28**, Ignite will go to Sunnyview to play BINGO with the residents. **NOTE: Earlier time!** Please be at the CLC at 6:30pm so we can be at Sunnyview by 6:45. We will most likely be done by 8:00. Parents wishing to volunteer with us that night should email Lauren.Wilken@AnkenyFirst.org.

• **Spark:** Wednesdays for youth in 6th-8th grade 6:45-8:00pm at the CLC.

• **Next Pack the Pews is February 4** at Trinity UMC in Des Moines: Bring the whole family! If your family is not available to go with us to worship that morning but your youth wishes to attend and needs transportation, email Drew.Saforek@AnkenyFirst.org to reserve a seat in the van. We will meet at Uptown at 9:30am.

• **SOUP-erbow! Watch Party February 4:** 6th-12th grades are invited to the CLC from 6:30-8:30pm. \$3 for food and drink and AT LEAST one can of soup or other canned food gets you in the door! Watch for the invitation to be sent home from youth group soon so you can RSVP.

Questions? Drew.Saforek@AnkenyFirst.org or Lauren.Wilken@AnkenyFirst.org.

Spring Break Mission Trip Youth in grades 8-12 are invited to become a mission team for the week of **March 11-16**. We will be taking the "Urban Plunge" to Omaha, through Christ for the City International, an organization which serves inner cities. We will have the privilege of serving in 6-10 different ministry areas over the course of the week, from serving the homeless to working outdoors. *Register by Feb. 10:* ankenfirst.org/youth-mission-trips.htm. Adult volunteers needed as well!

Mission | Serve

Mama Faith's Take & Bake Cherry Pie Sale Order your cherry pies now for Valentines Day! Call Laura Benjamin, 964-4819 **by Friday, February 9**, to reserve your pies at \$12 each (while they last). Pick up your pies Saturday, Feb.10, in the Faith Chapel Fellowship Hall between 9:30am and 12:00pm. Proceeds are donated to Ankeny First Children's Camp Scholarship Program.

Bidwell Riverside Workday January 29 Our next opportunity to serve the Bidwell-Riverside clients will be on Monday, January 29. We will leave the north uptown parking lot at 9:00 am and return by 1:00 pm. If you can sort and hang clothing, stock shelves, help families shop for groceries, or just offer hospitality, then WE NEED YOU! Please contact Pam Heilskov Zivley if you have any questions (515) 257-0557 or pjheilskov@gmail.com.

Adult Mission Trip Set for April The past 11 years, an Ankeny First mission team has traveled to a disaster location and spent a week doing recovery work. This year's trip is scheduled for the last week in April. We will leave Saturday, April 21 and return Sunday, April 29. Our team will be helping in Houston, TX, following the flooding and damage from Hurricane Harvey this past year. If you are interested in being part of the team, please contact Connie Ruths at boco1mato@q.com or call 515.360.4365.

Save the Date for Souper Bowl Sunday Our tradition will continue as we help tackle hunger in central Iowa on Sunday, **February 4**. Watch the Ankeny First Facebook page for how to give monetarily, and displays at each site for money and food donations.

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.

Congregational Care

We always want to know how we can reach out to individuals that need our care. If you know of someone we've missed, please let us know.

Name _____

Contact Info. _____

Hospital Notices

Name _____

Hospital _____

Date _____

Ministry Opportunities

I would like to attend the New Member Class on February 7.

I need to utilize childcare.

_____ Ages of children

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Uptown Campus ~ Traditional Worship

January 28, 2018 ~ 8:30am

PRELUDE “If You But Trust in God to Guide You” [Bach] Jack Watkins

WELCOME / *CONGREGATIONAL GREETING

*CALL TO WORSHIP

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN “Come Thou Fount” #400

*OPENING PRAYER

*WORDS OF PARDON & ASSURANCE “Gloria Patri” #71

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

ANTHEM “Lord of the Small” [Forrest]

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OFFERTORY Praise Ringers

*DOXOLOGY / *PRAYER OF DEDICATION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE / THE LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN OF REFLECTION “Great Is Thy Faithfulness” #140

SCRIPTURE Matthew 5:1-12

SERMON “Come See With Me” Rev. Mike Janes

*HYMN OF SENDING “Sent Forth By God's Blessing” #664

*BENEDICTION / POSTLUDE “Postlude” [Smith] Jack Watkins

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Ushers: Kathy & Kayla Beyer, Jim & Judi Logan, Jan & Vance Temeyer

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Uptown ~ Relaxed Contemporary Worship January 28, 2018 ~ 9:45am

*PRAISE SONGS

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OFFERTORY “All the People Said Amen” [Maher] Worship Team

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Christian Life Center Contemporary Worship January 28, 2018 ~ 9:00am & 10:45am

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Uptown ~ Spirit Alive
January 27, 2018 ~ 5:00pm

PRELUDE Walnut Street Players

WELCOME/*CONGREGATIONAL GREETING

***SONGS OF PRAISE** “Come Thou Fount” #400
“Blessed Be Your Name”

OFFERING OUR PRAYERS, PRESENCE, GIFTS, SERVICE & WITNESS

OFFERTORY Walnut Street Players

***DOXOLOGY**

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE / THE LORD'S PRAYER

SONG OF REFLECTION “Mighty to Save”

SCRIPTURE Matthew 5:1-12

SERMON “Come See With Me” Rev. Mike Janes

***SONG OF SENDING** “Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

***BENEDICTION / POSTLUDE** Walnut Street Players

Worship bags for children are available from Worship Hosts.

**Please stand in body or spirit.*

Today's Worship Helpers are listed below:

Tech Support: Todd Gilpin, Sherrill Marske **Worship Host:** Barb Syata

Worship Team: Cindi Litchfield, Julie Quick-Alcorn

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City _____

State _____ Zip _____

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Faith Chapel ~ Traditional Worship January 28, 2018 ~ 9:00am

PRELUDE Walnut Street Players
WELCOME
ANNOUNCEMENTS
***CALL TO WORSHIP**
***OPENING HYMN**
***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**
***WORDS OF PARDON AND ASSURANCE**
***OUR RESPONSE** “Glory Be to the Father” #70
***PASSING OF THE PEACE**
PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE ~ JOYS, CELEBRATIONS & CONCERNS
OFFERTORY Walnut Street Players
***DOXOLOGY / PRAYER OF DEDICATION** #95
SERMON HYMN
SCRIPTURE Matthew 5:1-12
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***PASS THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

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CELEBRATIONS

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