

WELCOME!

WELCOME TO OUR GUESTS! We're happy you are worshipping with us today and pray you will experience the love of Christ through our church. Each week we invite everyone to sign the **Friendship Pads** as one way to get better acquainted. To learn more about our church, pick up a copy of our newsletter, in-Site(s), available at each worship site or visit our website—www.AnkenyFUMC.org.

ESPECIALLY FOR CHILDREN Children are always welcome in worship, and "Worship Bags" with children's activities are available for them to use. Quality 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.

SOUL FOOD CAFÉ All are invited to our informal meal Wednesday evenings during the school year between 5:00-6:30pm in our Uptown Fellowship Hall. Cost: \$3 per person (\$10 per family). NO reservations needed! Check the church website to see what's on the menu this week under "Groups & Study".

FELLOWSHIP You are all invited to Fellowship Time! **Uptown:** Between the three Sunday services in Fellowship Hall. **Faith Chapel:** After both services in Fellowship Hall. **Christian Life Center:** Between both services. **Spirit Alive:** Before worship.

FOR THOSE WHO GIVE ELECTRONICALLY If you make your church contributions on-line, but still find it meaningful to put something in the offering plate, you will find a small basket of cards at each worship site which say, "I give electronically." Pick one up weekly and put it in the offering plate. To donate from your smart phone, use the mobile version of our online giving page at any time. Simply scan the image you see here using your phone's QR code reader.

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Join us next week as we worship these themes:

Uptown Saturday & Sunday: "The Discipline of Thanksgiving" Rev. Bob Ward

Christian Life Center: "How's the Harvest?" Rev. Martha Ward

Faith Chapel: "Wonderfully Made. Wonderfully Used?" Rev. Thom Bryant

FEATURED INFORMATION THIS WEEK

TODAY IS SACK SUNDAY!

This is our biggest annual effort to support the work of the DMARC Food Pantry. Thank you to everyone who brought food items to help address this problem. If you forgot your sack or wish to make an additional gift, cash donations are much appreciated! The Food Pantry can stretch our dollars beyond what we can purchase in the grocery store.

SHOPPER'S CHALLENGE

Before our culture launches into the annual Christmas shopping spree, the Outreach Cluster urges you to prayerfully ask God how you can use your resources not just to bless your circle of family and friends, but to bless those in need in the world. The church and other worthy agencies offer many avenues for giving that make a real difference for the most vulnerable. Please talk with your family about how your spending can best honor Christ in this season.

LINDSAY DRAKE TO ASSUME DIRECTOR OF SMALL GROUP MINISTRY POSITION

The Staff Parish Relations Committee is pleased to announce that Lindsay Drake is stepping into the half-time staff position of Director of Small Group Ministry. Lindsay has been an active volunteer in our congregation as well as in the Iowa Annual Conference, and brings great experience, administrative skill and faith commitment to this role. She is also currently enrolled in the Iowa School for Lay Ministry. We welcome her to our staff!

BE IN GOD'S WORD IN 2014

Start off 2014 by joining a Bible study. New schedule format allows you to do our Disciple Bible studies in 8 or 9 week segments. Sign-up for Disciple 1, 3, or 4 by emailing Lindsay.Drake@AnkenyFUMC.org. All classes start the first week of January. Disciple 1 on Sunday nights; Disciple 3 on Tuesday nights; and Disciple 4 led by Pastor Bob on Monday nights. What an awesome way to start the new year!

WORSHIP SERVICES

Uptown: 206 SW Walnut St ~ 964-4249

Saturdays 5:00pm ~ Blended

Sundays 8:30am ~ Traditional

9:45am ~ Contemporary

11:00am ~ Spirited Traditional

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 ~ 289-2171

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10:30am ~ Contemporary

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Uptown: 9:45 & 11:00am

~ 3yr old -7th grade

Christian Life Center:

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Faith Chapel:

10:30am ~ 3yr old-3rd grade

Nursery available at all Sunday services.

Ministers: All God's People
Lead Co-Pastors: Martha & Bob Ward
Associate Pastors, Faith Chapel: Thom Bryant, Dick Pfaltzgraff
Associate Pastor, CLC: John Wagner
Associate Pastor, Thrive UMC: Jeremy Poland
Director of Worship Ministry: Jan Boehm
Director of Children & Family Ministries: Pat Crownover
Co-Directors of Youth Ministry: Shelly Kubik, Rick Webb
Director of Small Group Ministry: Kate Pauly
Director of Care & Connection Ministry: Jacque Coulson
Director of Sports Ministry: Traci Schermerhorn
Minister of Visitation: Charles Tefft, Duane Churchman
Email staff at: firstname.lastname@AnkenyFUMC.org

Deadlines: Bulletin → Wednesdays Noon; Dec 15 Newsletter → Dec 1

FOR A COMPLETE LISTING OF AFUMC EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES:

Pick up a weekly calendar at any worship location (ask an usher for assistance) or go to our website: www.AnkenyFUMC.org.

Al-Anon

Mondays, 7:00pm, Upt Rm 314

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Wednesdays, 8:00pm, Upt Rm 314

Fridays, 6:00pm, Upt Rm 314

Saturdays, 6:30pm, Upt Rm 314

Wednesdays, 6:00pm, CLC Rms 103-104

Contact Gene & Marilyn Sewell

(964-0041) with questions.



Ankeny First United Methodist Church is a Stephen Ministry Congregation.



Bright Beginnings Preschool

Any questions, please contact Missy Starr: 229-0667



REAL. LIFE. CHANGE. Saturdays at the Christian Life Center. 6:00pm pizza and salad supper; 7:15pm worship; 8:00pm Recovery Group breakout. While this ministry and worship focuses on those recovering from addictions, friends and family members of those recovering, and those having trouble meeting life on life's terms, it is open to all. *The Road's 24 hour contact number, 515-777-8333, is "always on" and we are here to help.*

ADDITIONAL YOUTH INFORMATION

JC's Café (grades 6-12): Monday-Thursday, 4:00-5:00pm throughout the school year. Closed for holidays and school breaks.

Ewe'th Group is a fellowship, service, study and worship group for 6th and 7th grade youth. Sundays from 5:00-6:00pm at the Christian Life Center.

The Gathering is specifically designed for the lives of teens in Ankeny for 8th-12th graders. Sundays at the CLC beginning with supper 6:00pm (\$3) then worship, fellowship and more from 6:30-8:15pm.

3 Locations ~ 9 Worship Services

1 Congregation United in Christ!

Uptown Campus ~ Faith Chapel ~ Christian Life Center

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CHRISTIAN LIFE CENTER: 710 NE 36th Street

Our Mission:

To be an open and inviting community of faith through which God grows deeply committed Christians.

Our Vision:

*INVITE people into Christ's Body.
INSPIRE them to become more like Jesus.
IMPROVE the lives of those in need.*

NOVEMBER 17, 2013

Uptown Campus ~ Traditional Worship

November 17, 2013 ~ 8:30am

PRELUDE

WELCOME/WORSHIP FOCUS
*CONGREGATIONAL GREETING

*CALL TO WORSHIP

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" #140

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

*WORDS OF PARDON AND ASSURANCE

ANTHEM "Come with Thanksgiving" [arr. Larson] Chancel Choir
with Anne Marie & Caleb Webb, trumpet

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE / THE LORD'S PRAYER

PRAYER HYMN "Bread of the World" #624

SCRIPTURE Mark 4:26-29

SERMON "How's the Harvest?" Rev. Martha Ward

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS

OFFERTORY "How Great Thou Art" [Traditional] Lauren Wilken

*DOXOLOGY

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

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*HYMN OF DEDICATION "One Bread, One Body" #620

*BENEDICTION/POSTLUDE

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CANDLES OF HOPE—A LITURGY OF REMEMBERING A special service will be held **December 15**, 3:00-4:00pm in the Uptown Chapel, focused on those mourning loved ones during the holidays.

MAKE A DIFFERENCE: BECOME A STEPHEN MINISTER If you would like to learn more about becoming a Stephen Minister or have any questions about it, contact Jacque Coulson, 964-4249 or Jacque.coulson@AnkenyFUMC.org. A new training class will begin Thursday, **January 2**.

LEADERSHIP ORIENTATION If you are a committee, cluster, or ministry team leader, you are invited to a leader orientation meeting in December. **Choose between Tuesday, December 3 or Wednesday, December 4**. Both meetings will be held in the Uptown Fellowship Hall from 7:00-8:00pm. If you need childcare, please contact the church office.

MISSION & OUTREACH

UMW THANK OFFERING NOVEMBER 24! At all services, a second set of offering plates will be passed to receive gifts for the UMW Thank Offering designated for food vouchers distributed through the Ankeny Service Center, Bidwell Riverside Center, and our Homeless Helps Meals at Trinity and the Central Iowa Homeless Shelter.

UMCOR IN THE PHILIPPINES Please pray for all those affected by last week's severe typhoon in the Philippines. Our United Methodist Committee on Relief is there giving aid - to support their work write UMCOR - Philippines on your check memo.

SPECIAL THANKS to the many people who helped with Family Promise (IHN) and made the week special for three families. Your part, whether you brought food or gave of your time and expertise, made the week go very smoothly. We will host again **February 2-9**, 2014. It is not too early to sign up to help. Call Colleen Mooi at 689-6087 or Jackie Vandivier at 289-1838 or email colleenmooi@yahoo.com.

----- (Place in offering plate or return to Church Office) -----

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES - NOVEMBER 17, 2013

I can deliver poinsettias to our members who can't get to worship.

Name _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Uptown Campus ~ Contemporary Worship
November 17, 2013 ~ 9:45am

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GATHERING SONG / WELCOME

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CHILDREN'S TIME

SCRIPTURE

Mark 4: 26-29

SERMON

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FACING THE HOLIDAYS AFTER LOSS When grieving the death of a family member or friend, holidays can be hard. A GriefShare *Surviving the Holidays* seminar will be held Sunday, **November 24** in the Uptown Chapel, 4:00-6:00pm. To register or to find out more call Jacque Coulson, 964-4249 or email Jacque.Coulson@AnkenyFUMC.org.

CANDLES OF HOPE—A LITURGY OF REMEMBERING A special service will be held **December 15**, 3:00-4:00pm in the Uptown Chapel, focused on those mourning loved ones during the holidays.

MAKE A DIFFERENCE: BECOME A STEPHEN MINISTER If you would like to learn more about becoming a Stephen Minister or have any questions about it, contact Jacque Coulson, 964-4249 or Jacque.coulson@AnkenyFUMC.org. A new training class will begin Thursday, **January 2**.

LEADERSHIP ORIENTATION If you are a committee, cluster, or ministry team leader, you are invited to a leader orientation meeting in December. **Choose between Tuesday, December 3 or Wednesday, December 4.** Both meetings will be held in the Uptown Fellowship Hall from 7:00-8:00pm. If you need childcare, please contact the church office.

MISSION & OUTREACH

UMW THANK OFFERING NOVEMBER 24! At all services, a second set of offering plates will be passed to receive gifts for the UMW Thank Offering designated for food vouchers distributed through the Ankeny Service Center, Bidwell Riverside Center, and our Homeless Helps Meals at Trinity and the Central Iowa Homeless Shelter.

UMCOR IN THE PHILIPPINES Please pray for all those affected by last week's severe typhoon in the Philippines. Our United Methodist Committee on Relief is there giving aid - to support their work write UMCOR - Philippines on your check memo.

SPECIAL THANKS to the many people who helped with Family Promise (IHN) and made the week special for three families. Your part, whether you brought food or gave of your time and expertise, made the week go very smoothly. We will host again **February 2-9, 2014**. It is not too early to sign up to help. Call Colleen Mooi at 689-6087 or Jackie Vandivier at 289-1838 or email colleenmooi@yahoo.com.

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MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES - NOVEMBER 17, 2013

I can deliver poinsettias to our members who can't get to worship.

Name _____

Phone _____ Email _____