



**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 ~ Convergence  
Sundays 8:30 & 11:00am ~ Traditional  
9:45am ~ Convergence  
**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 -8th grade  
10:45: 3yr old -8th 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:** Lutheran: John Phillips, Lela Mills ♦ **Overland Park Rehab, (KS):** Pat McCollaugh

**Discharged:** Doug Cline

**Altar Flowers** in memory of Charlie Williams.

**Sympathy to:** Anne Butler on the death of her sister, Dorothy Carter, on March 10.

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

**WORSHIP:** (The Road) 34 (SA) 35 (8:30) 121 (9:45) 100 (11:00) 77 (CLC-9:00) 160 (CLC-10:45) 148 (FC-9:00) 45 (FC-10:30) 14 Total = 734  
**SUNDAY SCHOOL** (Uptown) 65 (FC) 3 (CLC) 114 Total = 182

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

Operating Budget \$20,918.14 Cap. Campaign \$2,823.23 Mission \$3,198.79

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**Holy Week Services** Mark your calendar for our Holy Week Services.

**Thursday, March 29:** Maundy Thursday, 6:30pm, at the CLC.

**Friday, March 30:** Good Friday, 6:30pm, at Uptown

**Saturday, March 31**

- 5:00pm, Uptown Sanctuary
- 7:15pm, The Road of Recovery, Dark Saturday Service, CLC

**Sunday, April 1**

- Sunrise Services, 6:30am at the Christian Life Center & Faith Chapel
- Uptown – 8:30, 9:45 and 11:00am
- Christian Life Center – 9:00 and 10:45am
- Faith Chapel – 9:00 and 10:30am

**Malawi Partnership of Hope News** Save the date for the Malawi fundraiser dinner on Friday, **May 4**, at the CLC.

**Order Your Easter Flower Today!** If you would like to order an Easter flower to decorate our worship spaces on Easter Sunday in honor or memory of loved ones, please find and complete an envelope **at the CONNECT**. Please complete and return your order *no later than March 23*.

**Faith Chapel UMW Spaghetti Supper & Bake Sale April 13!** Join us in the Faith Chapel Fellowship Hall, from 5:00 to 7:00pm. Tickets will be available at the door (\$10 for adults, \$5 for children 12 and under). Baked goods will be for sale, so come hungry! All proceeds will go to missions.

**Thank You** to Paul and John who came to help us move boxes. It just took a few minutes and it was done. Others need to know what it means when staff says, "Just let us know what we can do to help", and truly mean it. Again a huge thank you to John and Paul. *~Bonnie and Jerry Weiss*

**Open Volleyball** Join us on Thursdays, **April 5-26** for open volleyball at the CLC. Games will be played between 7:00-9:00pm. No need to pre-register. This is a great opportunity to play volleyball in a relaxed environment and meet new people. Must be 18+ to play. (Childcare is NOT available for open volleyball.)

**Ankeny First Kids Soccer League** Registration is now open for our kids recreational 3v3 soccer league! This league is open for boys and girls ages 4 years old through 5th grade. Our pre-season clinic will be held on Sunday, June 3. Games will be held on Monday and Tuesday nights the weeks of **June 4-26**. Cost is \$20 prior to May 1, \$30 after. [www.ankenyfirst.org/soccer.htm](http://www.ankenyfirst.org/soccer.htm). If you are interested in volunteering to help, please sign the connect card or contact [Marcie.Mulford@AnkenyFirst.org](mailto:Marcie.Mulford@AnkenyFirst.org).

**Youth Groups for 6th-12th Graders Weekly Schedule Resumes This Week on Wednesday, March 21!** Hope to see you there!

- Spark: **Wednesdays** for youth in 6th-8th grade 6:45-8:00pm at the CLC.
- Ignite: **Sundays** for youth in 9th-12th grade, 7:00-8:30pm at the CLC.

If you have any questions about our youth programs, please contact [Drew.Saforek@AnkenyFirst.org](mailto:Drew.Saforek@AnkenyFirst.org) or [Lauren.Wilken@AnkenyFirst.org](mailto:Lauren.Wilken@AnkenyFirst.org).

**It's Time to Prepare College Student Care Packages!** Parents of college students are invited on **April 3** to JC's Café at 6:30pm to make college care packages. Bring 12 items (24 if you have 2 kids, etc.) to share with each others' kids, and we will assemble care packages for them. Parents will mail the packages to their own children. Questions, contact Tammy Larson at 515.669.9882.

**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.

**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 assist in helping with the Kids Soccer League.
- I would like to help with the Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, March 31.
  - Set-up
  - Tear-down
  - During the event
- I would like to provide communion to someone not able to come to church.
- I would like to receive communion at home.

*(Please make sure to fill in your name & contact information on the reverse side of this card.)*

General News

Sports|Fitness

Youth

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## Uptown Campus ~ Traditional Worship

March 18, 2018 ~ 8:30am

PRELUDE *Dr. Jack Watkins*

WELCOME / \*CONGREGATIONAL GREETING

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN "*We Are Called*"

\*OPENING PRAYER

\*WORDS OF PARDON & ASSURANCE "*Gloria Patri*" #71

ANTHEM "*Followers of the Lamb*" [Dietterich] Chancel Choir

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HYMN OF REFLECTION "*Jesu, Jesu*" #432 (vs 1-3)

SCRIPTURE Luke 14:12-14

SERMON "*Hospitality*" Rev. Mike Janes

\*HYMN OF SENDING "*Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service*" #581

\*BENEDICTION / POSTLUDE *Dr. Jack Watkins*

*\*Please stand in body or spirit.*

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*Ushers*—Wil & Paula Freeseaman, Allaire Jutting, Ken Kise, Darrell Krei

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\*CALL TO WORSHIP

\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN "We Are Called"

\*OPENING PRAYER

\*WORDS OF PARDON & ASSURANCE "Gloria Patri" #71

ANTHEM "Followers of the Lamb" [Dietterich] Chancel Choir

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE / THE LORD'S PRAYER

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SCRIPTURE Luke 14:12-14

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\*HYMN OF SENDING "Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service" #581

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\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

\*WORDS OF PARDON AND ASSURANCE

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