



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.

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 Sunday morning Fellowship Time! It occurs between our worship services at all three sites.

Communion The first weekend of each month.

Worship

Uptown: 206 SW Walnut St ~ **964.4249**

Sundays 8:30 & 11:00am ~ Traditional
9:45am ~ Contemporary

Christian Life Center: 710 NE 36th St ~ **289.9153**

Saturdays 5:30pm ~ Contemporary

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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 317

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 worship 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:

Baptism: (CLC 10:45) Kendyl Lucca Myrie, daughter of Denville & Courtney Myrie.

PRESENCE: The following are attendance figures from last week:

WORSHIP: (Online) 95 (Sat CLC) 83 (8:30) 152 (9:45) 107 (11:00) 90

(CLC 9:00) 349 (CLC-10:45) 118 (FC-9:00) 80 (FC-10:30) 21 Total = 1,095

SUNDAY SCHOOL (Uptown) 68 (FC) 7 (CLC) 175 Total = 250

GIFTS: Thank you for your ongoing generosity to our ministries and missions. You can give on-line at ankenfirst.org/give.htm or by texting "AnkenyFirst" to 77977 for a direct link.

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

Find events at <https://ankenfirst.churchcenter.com/registrations/events>

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Candles of Peace Uptown Chapel on **November 24**, 1:00-2:30pm. This is a time for reflection and contemplation, and a time to remember those who have passed on to their heavenly home. We've all lost people in our lives, and this is a time to sit quietly, pray, and remember those we've loved and lost. All are welcome—whether the loss was recent or years ago, we can all use this time to remember.

New Study Exchange your doubt for courage this Advent and Christmas season. Beginning **December 1**, join our 9:45 Adult Sunday School in Room 310 as they study Adam Hamilton's book, Faithful – Christmas Through the Eyes of Joseph. At times it can be tempting just to walk away when we encounter circumstances that we would never have chosen for ourselves. Joseph provides us a great example of humbly obeying God even when we don't understand and faithfully moving forward in the strength that God provides.

A Bethlehem Story The Faith Chapel UMW Christmas Program will be Monday, **December 2** from 7:00 to 8:30pm. See a variety of nativity sets, sing carols, hear the Christmas story and enjoy refreshments! All are welcome to this annual event to get you in the spirit of the Christmas season.

Ringling in the Christmas Season! The 2019 Uptown UMW catered Christmas dinner will be Thursday, **December 5** at 6:30pm. Attendees are asked to bring a baby Jesus gift and/or gift card for distribution at Bidwell. Tickets are \$12 and are available in the church office or following service on Sunday, November 24 and Sunday December 1. The bell choir will be presenting a program of Christmas music. Special recognition awards will be presented during the event.

Advent Festival—"His Name Is Jesus" The Advent Festival is an interactive family event on Wednesday, **December 4**, at 6:30-7:30pm in the Uptown Family Center. This year, it will feature the many names of Jesus—The Way, Our Savior, Light of the World, King of Kings, The Good Shepherd, and Son of God. Children and families will learn about the many names of Jesus as they travel through the village of Bethlehem and revisit the story of the Birth of Jesus. Keepsake ornament crafts will be available for each child to make. We need volunteers to portray Nativity characters, and to help at the craft tables. Sign the CONNECT card to volunteer.

Senior Connection Team Makes An Impact Our Senior Connection Team consists of 14 members visiting / connecting with 38 members of the church. Those who are being visited are so grateful for their presence. But it goes both ways; the team has expressed how powerfully they feel the spirit when they are able to come into their friends' homes and share time and Communion with them. This team has reconnected with members of our church who haven't been able to attend in some time and all involved feel truly blessed. If you know of someone who would enjoy a visit, or if you know someone who would like to be a part of this team, please contact Rhonda.Alessio@AnkenyFirst.org.

Instruments of Peace Do you play a musical instrument? Would you like to share your gifts this Christmas Season? Instruments of Peace, our church orchestra, is rehearsing Sundays at 4:30pm in the Uptown Chapel for our Christmas Concert (December 22nd at 6:00pm) and for the second Sunday of December. For more information you can contact José at Jose.Clavell@AnkenyFirst.org.

WORSHIP ARTS

Opportunities to Respond

A. I would like to help the church in a **NEW** way in the checked ministry area below:

- Worship Arts (anything music, audio/video)
- Worship Hospitality (usher, greeter, welcomer, communion server)
- Small Groups Sports & Fitness
- Youth Children's
- Missions Christian Care

B. I would like to serve in the following **UPCOMING** ways:

- I would like to help with Soul Food Café on Wednesday evenings.
 - Back-up Cook Servers
 - Clean-up Crew Dish Washers
 - Set-up Crew Coordinator
- I would like to help with the Advent Festival (Dec. 4) in the following way:
 - Greeter Storyteller
 - Crafts Character (shepherds, wisemen, angels, etc.)

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

Congregational Care

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

Name _____

Contact Info. _____

Hospital _____

Stay Informed

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E-Mail _____

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WELCOME

*GATHERING/GATHERING SONG "Blessed Be Your Name"

*OPENING PRAYER

*SONG OF WORSHIP "Yes I Will"

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***PRAISE
PRAYER
SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM (10:45)
CHILDREN'S TIME
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SCRIPTURE
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OFFERTORY

SCRIPTURE 1 Timothy 6:6-19

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*CLOSING SONG

*BLESSING

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PRELUDE

INTROIT

"Learning to Lean"

Chapel Singers

WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

*OPENING HYMN

"What Wondrous Love Is This"

#292

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

*WORDS OF PARDON AND ASSURANCE

*OUR RESPONSE *"Glory Be to the Father"*

#70

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

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OFFERTORY

"Give Them All to Jesus"

Chapel Singers

*DOXOLOGY / PRAYER OF DEDICATION

#95

SPECIAL MUSIC

"Just a Little Talk With Jesus"

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SCRIPTURE

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SERMON

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*HYMN OF DEDICATION

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#568

*BENEDICTION/BENEDICTION SONG

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