

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.

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.



WE'RE GLAD YOU WORSHIPPED WITH US TODAY!

Our Fall sermon series, "Live it" has begun. Next week join us as we explore the question, "If I Had an Affair, Would God Have to Forgive Me?"

What can we know about God, especially when it comes to God's forgiveness, love and grace? And so, what can we know about ourselves?

Uptown Saturday & Sunday: Rev. Angie Loomis

Christian Life Center: Rev. Scott Hibben

Faith Chapel: Rev. Dick Pfaltzgraff

FEATURED INFORMATION THIS WEEK

MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR OUR ANNUAL AFUMC COMMUNITY BLOCK PARTY SUNDAY, AUGUST 24, 4:00-6:00PM

Join the fun at AFUMC's annual Block Party at Wagner Park (West 1st Street and Ash Drive)! The community is welcome to attend this FREE celebration to enjoy food, inflatables, and musical performances throughout the two-hour celebration.

THERE ARE MANY VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES for the Block Party. Sign up on the **MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES** inside, call Kevin West 963-0862, or register at www.AnkenyFUMC.org. If you already signed up, the committee will be contacting you.

TODAY IS SUNDAY SCHOOL RALLY DAY!

Want your child, grandchild or neighbor child to have a strong Christian foundation? Then make sure they get to Sunday School every week! We kick off our fall Sunday School season this morning with special activities at all three AFUMC sites. Each week children's Sunday School is offered Uptown (9:45 and 11:00am); at the CLC (9:00 and 10:45am); and Faith Chapel (10:30am).

WALK TO EMMAUS IS COMING TO OUR UPTOWN CAMPUS IN OCTOBER

Our church will host Walk To Emmaus, a 3 day spiritually filled weekend offered to both men and women from churches throughout central Iowa. The Walk to Emmaus experience is comprised of talks by lay and clergy on the themes of God's grace, disciplines of Christian discipleship, and what it means to be the church. The course is wrapped in prayer and meditation, worship and daily celebration of Holy Communion. *The Men's weekend is Oct 9-12 and the Women's is Oct 16-19.* For more information please contact Steven Nielsen at 964-2688, Dave Mock at 554-1130 or Brian DePrez at 480-8700.

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
Sundays 9:00am ~ Traditional
10:30am ~ Contemporary

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Uptown: 9:45 & 11:00am
~ 3yr old -7th grade
Christian Life Center:
9:00am & 10:45am
~ 3yr old -7th grade
Faith Chapel:
10:30am ~ 3yr old-3rd grade
Nursery available at all Sunday services.

Ministers: All God's People

Lead Pastor: Scott Hibben

Administrative Pastor: Angie Loomis

Associate Pastors, Faith Chapel: Thom Bryant, Dick Pfaltzgraff

Associate Pastor, CLC: John Wagner

Associate Pastors, Thrive UMC: Jeremy Poland, Jen Hibben

Director of Worship Ministry: Jan Boehm

Director of Children & Family Ministries: Pat Crownover

Director of Youth Ministry: Rick Webb

Associate Director of Youth Ministry: Theresa Bargfrede

Director of Small Group Ministry: Lindsay Drake

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 → Tuesdays 2:00pm; Sept 15 Newsletter → Sept 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

THE ROAD OF RECOVERY

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.*

3 Locations ~ 9 Worship Services

1 Congregation United in Christ!

Uptown Campus ~ Faith Chapel ~ Christian Life Center

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UPTOWN CAMPUS: 206 SW Walnut Street
FAITH CHAPEL: 7384 NW 16th Street
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.*

AUGUST 17, 2014

Uptown Campus ~ Traditional Worship

August 17, 2014 ~ 8:30am

SONGFEST

WELCOME/WORSHIP FOCUS

*CONGREGATIONAL GREETING

*CALL TO WORSHIP Lay Liturgist Max Clark

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN "Come, Christians, Join to Sing" #158

*OPENING PRAYER: O God, you are the Source of our life. It was you who mysteriously knit us in our mother's wombs. It was you who has nurtured us through the love of family and friends; you who built us up and has stood with us through the storms. You form us, O God, and you break us apart, that we might return to you. You are the beginning and the end, the first and the last, our hope, our life, our all. Be with us this day, O God, as we seek to see more clearly our call to be the reflection of your love, your grace, your justice, your life, in Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

*WORDS OF PARDON AND ASSURANCE

ANTHEM "By Our Love" [Nockels/arr. McDonald] Chancel Choir

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE / THE LORD'S PRAYER

PRAYER SONG "Spirit Song" #347

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*DOXOLOGY

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*HYMN OF DEDICATION "Lord, I Want to Be a Christian" #402

*BENEDICTION

*CHORAL BENEDICTION "They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love"

POSTLUDE

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YOUTH NEWS

THE GATHERING ON THE GO AUGUST 17 8th-12th Graders are invited to meet at the home of the Thompson family, 1042 NE Fountain View Dr., Ankeny, **TONIGHT** for a meal, games, devotions and fun from 6:00-8:30pm.

THE GATHERING LATE NIGHT 10th-12th Graders are invited after the Gathering on the Go to extend your night for more fellowship. We will decide together each nightly activity—8:30pm.

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

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES - AUGUST 17, 2014

I would like to help at the Annual AFUMC Summer Block Party.

___Set-Up Crew ___Food Crew ___Corn Crew ___Games Crew ___Tear-Down Crew

I would like to volunteer at Soul Food Café.

Name _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Uptown Campus ~ Contemporary Worship
August 17, 2014 ~ 9:45am

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