



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 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.

<p>Worship</p> <p><u>Uptown:</u> 206 SW Walnut St ~ 964-4249 Saturdays 5:00pm ~ Spirit Alive Sundays 8:30am ~ Traditional 9:45am ~ Relaxed Contemporary 11:00am ~ New Traditions</p> <p><u>Christian Life Center:</u> 710 NE 36th St ~ 289-9153 Saturdays 7:15pm ~ "The Road" Sundays 9:00am & 10:45am ~ Contemporary</p> <p><u>Faith Chapel:</u> 7384 NW 16th St ~ 964-4249 Sundays 9:00am ~ Traditional 10:30am ~ Casual</p>	<p>Sunday School</p> <p><u>Uptown:</u> 9:45: 3yr old -5th grade 11:00: 3yr old -5th 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</p> <p><u>Christian Life Center:</u> 9:00: 3yr old -5th grade 10:45: 3yr old -5th grade</p> <p><u>Faith Chapel:</u> 10:30: 3yr old-3rd grade</p>
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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: Blank: Knox Pearston **Bridges:** Carl Barnes **Mayo:** Paula Lange **Mercy:** Phill Sturdevant
Univ. of MN Children's: McKenna Riebkes **Discharged:** Lizzy Kiefer, Ginny Partridge
Altar Flowers: In celebration of Ron & Alice Reynolds' 65th wedding anniversary.
Sympathy to: Lois Lamanski on the death of her aunt on Aug. 1. ♦ Terry Boehlje on the death of her brother-in-law on Aug. 6.
Baptism: (Upt 8:30am) Elsey Louise Hansen, daughter of Nick & Kristen Hansen.

PRESENCE: The following are attendance figures from last week:
WORSHIP: (The Road)35 (SA)47 (8:30)203 (9:45)139 (11:00)119
 (CLC-9:00)207 (CLC-10:45)136 (FC-9:00)46 (FC-10:30)17 Total = 949
SUNDAY SCHOOL (Uptown)61 (FC)0 (CLC)83 Total = 144

GIFTS: Last week's offering for Christ's work here and around the world:
 Operating Budget \$45,344.53 Cap. Campaign \$13,963.44 Mission \$3,650.00

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

Worship- ping at Ankeny First

Mission

August Mission of the Month We are highlighting our basic need for shelter and helping out two organizations dedicated to finding answers to this issue.

- The first is by collecting monetary donations for the Des Moines Habitat for Humanity's Ankeny wall build this fall. This build is sponsored by the Ankeny Circle of Faith members and as a part of it, Ankeny First is hoping to donate \$5,000 for the build. Find a donation envelope in the bulletin today.
- The second is by donating toiletry items to Central Iowa Shelter for those seeking shelter there during a difficult time in their lives. The toiletry items most needed are: disposable razors, shaving cream, travel size toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant, shower shoes (basic flip-flops), washcloths, ibuprofen, and sunscreen. Please place your donations in the gray bins at any of our worship locations.

Ankeny First Singles Ministry Team encourages all Christian singles over 30 to join us for fellowship and fun on the third Saturday of every month. We will be meeting from 7:00-10:00pm Saturday, **August 19**, at JC's Café, located just west of the main Uptown building. Bring your favorite snack to share!

Come Hear the Untold Story of Ankeny AMOS, a nonpartisan advocacy group composed of churches and nonprofits in Central Iowa that work to improve the lives of those in our community, will host a community discussion on Thursday, **Aug. 31**. "Ankeny: Understanding Today, Preparing for Tomorrow" will be held from 7:00 to 8:30pm at Our Lady's Immaculate Heart Church, 510 East First St. Come hear the results of an 18-month study considering the needs of our community regardless of income level, and review the services available to meet those needs.

Senior Connection Invites You The Senior Connection ministry visits the frail, elderly, or lonely members of our church family. We meet on a quarterly basis to share experiences, fellowship and learning. This month we invite you to join us. We will meet on Mon., **August 28**, 6:30-8pm in the Uptown Fellowship Hall to learn tips and techniques for providing care for those with Alzheimer's disease. If you have a friend or family member who is experiencing memory problems, this could be a valuable program to attend.

Disciple 1 Bible Study Have you wanted to read the Bible and grow in your faith? There is no Bible study that compares to the Disciple Bible Study series. Read 80% of the Bible from Genesis to Revelation throughout the 2017-2018 school year. This small group offers an opportunity to explore the entire Biblical narrative while forming lasting relationships with your class. Classes are beginning soon.

Disciple 1: Becoming Disciples Through Bible Study facilitated by Randy Loomis: Tuesday evenings from 6:30-8:30pm at the Christian Life Center in room 106/107 beginning September 19. <http://ankenfirst.org/disciple-1.htm>

Disciple 1 Fast Track: Becoming Disciples Through Bible Study (24 week option) facilitated by Cindy Litchfield and Colleen Mooi: Tuesday mornings from 9:30-11:00 in the Faith Chapel Fellowship Hall beginning August 22. Contact Colleen Mooi to register—colleenmooi@yahoo.com or 515.689.6087. Books are \$40 with scholarships available. Contact Lindsay Drake with questions.

Worship Arts

NEW Youth & Young Adult Worship Arts Ministry Youth in 6th-12th grades, and young adults age 18-25, are invited to a new worship arts opportunity that will include elements of singing, dance, drama and band to enhance worship. Directed by Melody Webb and Lauren Wilken, this group will meet on Wednesdays from 5:25-6:10pm in the Uptown Sanctuary beginning **September 13**. The group will primarily function as a choir with music selections that vary from choral works, to Broadway and pop, to contemporary Christian, and more. Elements of dance, drama, and instruments will be incorporated on occasion as well. This is open to the community, so bring a friend! Questions? Melody.Webb@ankenfirst.org.

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 volunteer this fall in the Uptown Children's Ministry for the following:

- 9:45: 4th-5th Grade SS (every other week)
- 11:00: Pre-K-1st Grade SS (every other week)
- 11:00: 2nd-5th Grade SS (every other week)
- 6:45pm: (Wed) Bible Adventures crew leader

"Get to Know Pastor Mike" Meetings

- Please contact me about hosting a meeting.
- I would like to attend the following meeting:
 - Wed., August 23, 9:30am
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 - Sun., August 27, 6:30pm
 - Thurs., August 31, 9:30am
 - Tues., September 5, 6:30pm
 - Mon., September 11, 6:30pm
 - Wed., September 20, 6:30pm
 - Sun., September 24, 2:00pm
 - Mon., October 2, 6:30pm
 - Tues., October 10, 6:30pm
 - Thurs., October 12, 9:30am

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Uptown Campus ~ Traditional Worship

August 13, 2017 ~ 8:30am

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*CALL TO WORSHIP Worship Leader: Anne Marie Webb

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN "O Worship the King" #73 vs. 1,2,4,5

*OPENING PRAYER/WORDS OF PARDON & ASSURANCE

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

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ANTHEM "It Is Well" [K. DiMarco] Anne Marie Webb

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HYMN OF REFLECTION "Be Still My Soul" #534

SCRIPTURE Genesis 39

SERMON "The Plot Thickens" Rev. Mike Janes

*HYMN OF SENDING "It Is Well with My Soul" #377 vs. 1,2,4

*BENEDICTION / POSTLUDE

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Head Usher—Ken Kise; *Ushers*—Doug & Karen Altman, Darrell Krei, Bob & Connie Ruths

Organist: Paul Van Ryswyk **Tech Support:** Steve Fravel, Kent Kiefer

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Uptown ~ Relaxed Contemporary Worship August 13, 2017 ~ 9:45am

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Ushers—Brinda Cassidy, Lisa Keller, Mike Long, Kerry Jo Ostring

Tech Support: Steve Fravel, Mark Johnson **Organist:** Paul Van Ryswyk **Pianist:** Christine Stone

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PRELUDE

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***SONGS OF PRAISE** "O Worship the King"
"Blessed Be Your Name"

OFFERING OUR PRAYERS, PRESENCE, GIFTS, SERVICE & WITNESS
OFFERTORY "It Is Well" [K. DiMarco] Anne Marie Webb

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SONG OF REFLECTION "It Is Well with My Soul"

SCRIPTURE Genesis 39
SERMON "The Plot Thickens" Rev. Mike Janes

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*WORDS OF PARDON AND ASSURANCE

*OUR RESPONSE "Glory Be to the Father" #70

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