



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.

CONNECT

Small Group "It's Not Supposed to Be This Way" by Lysa TerKeurst Reality often ends up so very far from the life we long for. Discover that in God we can find unexpected strength as we wrestle between our faith and feelings. This group provides a safe place to share your disappointments, gather fresh biblical insight to get you through painful situations, and life-giving perspectives for living in between Eden and eternity. Uptown Room 317 at 7:00pm starting **January 22**.

Divorce Care Begins January 26 Uptown Room 315 from 3:30-5:00pm. Join others who are struggling with divorce or separation. Find support and tools to help you navigate this time in your life. Register on our website at AnkenyFirst.org.

Walk to Emmaus Retreat The Walk to Emmaus is a retreat sponsored by the Upper Room. It is not an actual walk, but refers to the scripture passage in Luke in which the disciples recognize the risen Lord on the way to a town called Emmaus. The purpose of Emmaus is to develop leaders for the church. Emmaus will inspire, challenge, and equip participants for Christian action in their homes, churches, and places of work. The next retreat will be held at the West Des Moines United Methodist Church. The date for the men's walk is **February 6-9**; the women's walk is **February 13-16**. Pastor Angie will be the spiritual director for the women's walk. If you are interested in signing up or learning more, contact Pastor Angie or Rhonda Alessio (Angie.Loomis@AnkenyFirst.org, Rhonda.Alessio@AnkenyFirst.org, or 515.964.4249).

Sermon Series Small Groups What if we could think of our faith as something that is shareable? What if sharing your faith is as simple as pointing out some of the signs of God at work in the world to people who are hoping against hope that God is working? In this series, we will look at how preparing to share your faith grows your own faith, trains your eyes to see God at work and makes sharing your faith more manageable but just as meaningful. Look for a list of open groups at the Welcome Center at each site—you can join anytime!

Senior Connection Team Needs More Help! Just over a year ago, we started the Senior Connection Ministry. This ministry has blossomed and we are connecting to over 40 fellow church members who can no longer make it to church. We now need help so we can visit with even more people! Can you spare an hour or more a month to visit someone who may be lonely? Would you consider offering Communion to someone who can't make it to church and is longing for that connection to Christ? Contact Rhonda.Alessio@AnkenyFirst.org if you are interested in helping this ministry team.

Uptown Altar Flower Chart We have posted our 2020 Altar Flower sign-up chart by the Uptown office. This is a great way to honor someone and decorate our sanctuary. Arrangements are made by the person signing up.

Inclement Weather Information If the Ankeny Community Schools are closed or dismiss early due to weather conditions, all activities will be cancelled and the church offices will close. For weekend activities, including worship, please check our website and watch for special announcements through media outlets to confirm. Small groups may proceed at their own discretion.

NEWS

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 childcare duties at the Adoption Support Group at the CLC on the first Monday of the month.
- I would like to help with Family Promise.
 - Set-up
 - Van Drivers
 - Evening Hosts
 - Overnight Hosts
 - Meal Preparers
 - Tear-down

(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

I would like the monthly e-newsletter or our Thursday "This Weekend @First":

E-Mail _____

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WORSHIP



OUR METHOD

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
 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 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:

Hospitals: Bridges: Darlene Churchman **Discharged:** David Wendel

Sympathy to: Kay Oliver on the death of her mother. ♦ Jan Harmon on the death of her brother, Gary Linn, on January 3.

PRESENCE: The following are attendance figures from last week:

WORSHIP: (Online) 186 (Sat CLC) 86 (8:30) 135 (9:45) 96 (11:00) 89

(CLC 9:00) 295 (CLC-10:45) 171 (FC-9:00) 52 (FC-10:30) 17 Total = 1,127

SUNDAY SCHOOL (Uptown) 81 (FC) 9 (CLC) 154 Total = 244

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

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*PSALTER Psalm 105:1-11 #828

"Gloria Patri" #71

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*BENEDICTION / POSTLUDE

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Organist: Kim Field Tech Support: Marc Smith

Liturgist/Hymn Leader: Beth Madison

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Christian Life Center Contemporary Worship January 18, 2020—5:30pm

*PRAISE

PRAYER

OFFERING OF OURSELVES

SCRIPTURE

John 9:1-12

SERMON

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January 19, 2020—9:00am

PRELUDE "Open Our Eyes, Lord" Chapel Singers

WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

*OPENING HYMN "Be Thou My Vision" #451

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

*WORDS OF PARDON AND ASSURANCE

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

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE ~JOYS, CELEBRATIONS & CONCERNS

OFFERTORY "He Touched Me"

*DOXOLOGY / PRAYER OF DEDICATION #95

SPECIAL MUSIC "Tell Me the Stories of Jesus" Chapel Singers

SCRIPTURE John 9:1-12

SERMON "Shareable Faith—Know Your Story" Pastor Lewis Cox

*HYMN OF DEDICATION "O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing" #57

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