

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.

SOUL FOOD CAFÉ All are invited to our informal meal Wednesday evenings during the school year between 5:00-6:30pm in our Uptown Fellowship Hall. Cost: \$3 per person (\$10 per family). NO reservations needed! Check the church website to see what's on the menu this week under "Groups & Study".

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!
Next week we will conclude our Fall sermon series, "Live it". Next week join us as we explore the theme, "It Runs in Our Family".
Uptown Saturday & Sunday: Rev. Angie Loomis
Christian Life Center: Rev. John Wagner
Faith Chapel: Rev. Scott Hibben

FEATURED INFORMATION THIS WEEK

THIRD GRADE BIBLE PRESENTATION AND "LEARNING TO USE MY BIBLE" FAIR TODAY!

What a special gift! Each third grader will receive their own "New International Version Adventure Bible" to begin a life journey in faith and study into God's inspired Word during worship today at all our locations.

CHRISTMAS ART CONTEST!

(Ages 3-18) The AFUMC marketing team wants to invite everyone in Ankeny to our 2014 Christmas services. To help raise funds to do this, we will be selecting six winners to have their artwork featured on 2014 AFUMC Christmas cards. Submit your entry on an 8 1/2 x 11 piece of white paper. Use the medium of your choice: pencil, colors, markers, paints, etc. On the back of your entry, include your name, age, e-mail address and phone number. (One entry per person.) **DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION IS OCTOBER 2.** Drop off your entry when you come to worship Sept. 21 or Sept. 28, or have your child give their entry directly to a pastor. Winners notified October 5. Entries will be on display during Christmas services. The cards will be printed and available for sale before Thanksgiving. Questions, please contact Renee Gillette at 515-975-0807.

LISTENING CONVERSATIONS

Pastors Scott and Angie would like to invite everyone to an upcoming "Listening Conversations"—either **Tuesday, October 14**, at the **Uptown** worship site, or **Thursday, October 16** at the **CLC** gathering area, both from **7:00-8:00pm**. In casual conversation, we want to learn more about AFUMC and what you believe God's calling is for us all in and through this church, in our life of faith together in Christ. All ideas, dreams, and inspirations are welcomed. COME, JOIN US!

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 5:00pm; Oct 15 Newsletter → Oct 1

FOR A COMPLETE LISTING OF AFUMC EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES:

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Al-Anon
Mondays, 7:00pm, Upt Rm 314
AA
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
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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.

SEPTEMBER 21, 2014

Uptown Campus ~ Traditional Worship

September 21, 2014 ~ 8:30am

PRELUDE/WELCOME/WORSHIP FOCUS

*CONGREGATIONAL GREETING

*CALL TO WORSHIP (Adapted from Psalm 119) Lay Liturgist Melody Webb

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN "Wonderful Words of Life" #600

*OPENING PRAYER: We thank you, gracious God, that you hear us when we pray to you. We find it a mystery that the one who sets the universe in motion is always ready to stop and listen to us; but such is your pervasive love for us. So make us bold enough to trust you, and make us patient enough to wait upon you. Open wide the door to your heart when we knock and always help us to be open to you, that your healing, your peace and the power of your Spirit may now be at work in and through us all. In Christ we pray. Amen.

*WORDS OF PARDON AND ASSURANCE

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

ANTHEM Chancel Choir

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE / THE LORD'S PRAYER

PRAYER HYMN "Thy Word" #601

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POSTLUDE

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AFUMC BASKETBALL "SKILLS AND DRILLS" PROGRAM October 20-November 17. This opportunity for boys and girls in Kindergarten-5th grades, allows them to work on the fundamentals of basketball including dribbling, shooting, passing, and being a team player. Open to everyone in the community, not just those who attend AFUMC. Each session includes a brief devotion. Questions? 289-9153.

♦ Kindergarten: Monday, 5:45-6:30pm ♦ 1st Grade: Tuesday, 5:45-6:30pm
♦ 2nd & 3rd Grades: Tuesday, 6:45-7:30pm ♦ 4th & 5th Grades: Monday, 6:45-7:30pm

MISSION & OUTREACH

FOOD PANTRY SUNDAY IS TODAY! AFUMC supports the Des Moines Area Religious Council Food Pantry by encouraging members to contribute non-perishable food items the **3rd Sunday of every month**. If you forgot your non-perishable food item today, cash donations are always welcome (note 'Food Pantry' in the memo of your check)

BIDWELL RIVERSIDE DISTRIBUTION CENTER VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES Each month faithful servants from AFUMC check people in, help distribute free food, stock shelves, and sort and distribute free clothing at Bidwell. As the need increases, Bidwell needs more volunteers, thus we scheduled an extra work day in September. Tuesday, **Sept., 23**, two shifts: 9:30am-12:30pm and 12:30-3:30pm. Meet in the Uptown north parking lot at either 9:00am OR 12 noon on Tuesday, **Sept. 23**, to carpool to Des Moines. Please contact Pam Heilskov, pjheilskov@gmail.com to let her know what shift you can work and about regularly scheduled volunteer times and dates at Bidwell.

TRINITY/LAS AMERICAS HAS THESE IMMEDIATE NEEDS Large sizes of diapers and chapter books for middle school students. Bring your donations to the "Las Americas" bin outside the Uptown Family Center.

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Uptown Campus ~ Contemporary Worship September 21, 2014 ~ 9:45am

GATHERING SONG

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#600

ANTHEM

Chancel Choir

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AFUMC BASKETBALL "SKILLS AND DRILLS" PROGRAM October 20–November 17. This opportunity for boys and girls in Kindergarten-5th grades, allows them to work on the fundamentals of basketball including dribbling, shooting, passing, and being a team player. Open to everyone in the community, not just those who attend AFUMC. Each session includes a brief devotion. Questions? 289-9153.

♦ Kindergarten: Monday, 5:45-6:30pm

♦ 1st Grade: Tuesday, 5:45-6:30pm

♦ 2nd & 3rd Grades: Tuesday, 6:45-7:30pm

♦ 4th & 5th Grades: Monday, 6:45-7:30pm

MISSION & OUTREACH

FOOD PANTRY SUNDAY IS TODAY! AFUMC supports the Des Moines Area Religious Council Food Pantry by encouraging members to contribute non-perishable food items the **3rd Sunday of every month**. If you forgot your non-perishable food item today, cash donations are always welcome (note 'Food Pantry' in the memo of your check)

BIDWELL RIVERSIDE DISTRIBUTION CENTER VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES Each month faithful servants from AFUMC check people in, help distribute free food, stock shelves, and sort and distribute free clothing at Bidwell. As the need increases, Bidwell needs more volunteers, thus we scheduled an extra work day in September. Tuesday, **Sept., 23**, two shifts: 9:30am-12:30pm and 12:30-3:30pm. Meet in the Uptown north parking lot at either 9:00am OR 12 noon on Tuesday, **Sept. 23**, to carpool to Des Moines. Please contact Pam Heilskov, pjheilskov@gmail.com to let her know what shift you can work and about regularly scheduled volunteer times and dates at Bidwell.

TRINITY/LAS AMERICAS HAS THESE IMMEDIATE NEEDS Large sizes of diapers and chapter books for middle school students. Bring your donations to the “Las Americas” bin outside the Uptown Family Center.

TRINITY/LAS AMERICAS VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES English Language Learners (ELL) has begun at Trinity (8th and College, Des Moines) and they need volunteers for classes on **Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 6:00-8:00pm**. Needs: nursery (ages 0-4) and childcare (ages 5+), teacher assistants, lead teachers, bilingual greeters and more. Donations of notebooks, pencils, flashcards, and dry erase markers, needed year round, can be placed in “Las Americas” bin outside *Uptown Family Center*. Questions? Call Connie Weieneth 289-2123 or e-mail at weieneth@msn.com.