WORSHIP SUPPLEMENT

Today in Worship: "Respond" Psalm 116:12-19
Full series synopsis HERE.

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God, let your light shine through me so that others can know you.

WORSHIP

Sermon Series "Timeless" begins November 22 Christmas is often described as a "timeless" holiday. By definition, what makes something "timeless" is that it is not affected by the passage of time. It seems that no matter what else is happening in our culture, we pause and reframe our experience around the holiday of Christmas. Traditions vary, but at Christmas we return to activities of our childhood; we gather with friends and family, we make extra time to honor what has been, even as we celebrate what is now.

For Christians, Christmas is more than a holiday that reorders our schedules and sends us packing for family celebrations. Christmas is a celebration of everything that God was/is/will be. The WORD becomes flesh and dwells among us. The birth of Jesus is part of a larger promise and relationship that God offers to us. There is a timeless nature to God's promises of light, care, mercy, peace, power, and joy.

This Christmas, we honor and celebrate the TIMELESS promise of God. This series will run through Advent.

CONNECT

Fitness Ministry The Fitness Ministry at Ankeny First United Methodist Church is more than a gym. We're a community built around God. As you join us for our classes, we hope you'll find encouragement from fellow participants and instructors that helps you grow in your faith as well as your fitness. We are currently offering SET: Seniors Exercising Together, Drop-In Yoga, Restorative Holy Yoga, and Bootcamp. Visit our website to find more information and to register.

RESPOND

November Mission of the Month: Joppa Our November Mission of the Month is to support Joppa with essential cold-weather items and other supplies. Joppa is an organization in the Des Moines area that helps homeless people survive, find housing, and rebuild their lives!
The following NEW items are being collected:

- Thermal underclothing
- Tarps/Tents
- Waterproof gloves (no wool, please)
- Handwarmers
- New or gently used adult men's boots & shoes

Monetary donations are encouraged as well. Place donations in the gray Mission of the Month bins. Give monetarily by writing "November Mission of the Month" in your check memo, or give online.

Email Communications We are doing a push in November to get you connected/reconnected through our email communications! We send lots of important news and events through email. You can sign up if you aren't already on our homepage or send an email letting us know you'd like to be on the list at First@AnkenyFirst.org.

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL: Children (3 years - 5th grade) are invited to Sunday School Uptown at 9:00am & at the CLC at 9:00 & 10:30am.

NURSERY CARE: Nursery care is available during worship.

YOUTH: Our youth group meets at the CLC every Wednesday through the school year, 6-12th Grades at 6:30-7:30pm.

SPORTS & FITNESS: Visit our registration page for the latest sports & fitness opportunities that you can register to participate in!

ONLINE PRAYER AND CARE REQUEST FORM

IN-PERSON WORSHIP TIMES
Uptown: 9:00 & 10:30am (Traditional)
CLC: 9:00 & 10:30am (Contemporary)

ONLINE BROADCAST TIMES
CLC (9:00 & 10:30am) & Uptown (9:00am)
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Being Bright Podcast: Spotify | Apple

CHURCH APP

GENERAL GIVING: Give online at www.ankenyfirst.org/give.htm. Designate your gift in the drop-down menu. Checks can be mailed to Ankeny First UMC, 206 SW Walnut Street, Ankeny, IA 50023.

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