



WORSHIP SUPPLEMENT

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE

Ephesians 4:25-32; John 13:34-35

"Redeem(ed) Relationships"

Find full series synopsis [HERE](#).



CONNECT

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY UPCOMING DATES TO KNOW!

- **3-YEAR-OLD OPEN HOUSE AUGUST 17** It's time to invite children who have turned 3 during this school year to attend Sunday School! For many, this can be the first structured activity that they attend without a parent or guardian. To help ease this transition, we invite our 3-year-olds and their families to an informal Open House on Sunday, August 17. Families are invited to come check out the classrooms and meet teachers at both Uptown & the CLC between services.
- **5th GRADE CELEBRATION AUGUST 17** We want to celebrate our outgoing 5th graders who will be moving on for the 2025/26 school year. On Sunday, August 17, these students will be recognized at the 9:00am worship services at both sites and receive a small gift. They will attend Sunday School one last time, where their peers will celebrate them. After the 9:00 CLC service, families will be invited to join in fellowship with light refreshments and have the opportunity to ask any questions they may have.
- **PROMOTION SUNDAY AUGUST 24** We want to celebrate the start of a new school year and be reminded to follow the path God has set for us. On Sunday, August 24, all children will be promoted to their new grade for the 2025/26 school year. We will also begin our new Sunday School curriculum, Epic Teachings of the Bible. As a part of this day, students are encouraged to bring their backpacks for a special Blessing of the Backpacks during worship as we pray over our children and ask God to watch over them this school year.



RESPOND

ONE STUDENT. ONE MENTOR. TOGETHER. LEARN MORE ABOUT MENTORING THROUGH KIDS HOPE USA.

Kids Hope USA is a national mentoring organization that equips church members to build one-on-one relationships with students in public elementary schools. Just one hour a week can make a big difference. Ankeny First partners with Southeast Elementary, which needs people willing to walk alongside a student as their friend and cheerleader. If you have any questions about becoming a Kids Hope mentor, contact Vicki Engh (enghvicki@gmail.com) or Bonnie Weiss (bjw505@msn.com). Volunteers are available today to answer questions you may have. Visit [HERE](#) for more volunteer resources. Join us in creating life-changing connections, one at a time.

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 at the CLC and Uptown during worship.

YOUTH Our youth group meets at the CLC every Wednesday through the school year. 6-12th Grades: 6:30-7:30pm. *Youth will meet on these upcoming dates this summer: August 13 & 27.*

SPORTS & FITNESS Visit our [registration page](#) for the latest sports & fitness opportunities that you can register to participate in!

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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