



WORSHIP SUPPLEMENT

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE

Romans 12:3-13

**"CONNECT: Belong to One Another
with Communion"**

Find full series synopsis [HERE](#).



WORSHIP

PICK UP YOUR BIBLE ON BIBLE SUNDAY—TODAY! In addition to offering Bibles for the children in Kindergarten and third grades today, we will also have adult Bibles available for anyone who would like to dive deeper in their faith journey by picking up a Bible of their own. We will have both free and discounted Bibles available for

men, women, teens, and children. Check out the display in our gathering spaces. Please have cash if you are interested in purchasing a discounted Bible. This is a great opportunity to gear up to begin a small group this fall!



CONNECT

2026 HOLY LAND TOUR UPDATE We have good news! Tensions have eased in the Middle East. Educational Opportunities, our tour company, has been sending groups to Israel, and those tours are running smoothly without issues.

Therefore, Ankeny First will **NOT** be pivoting to the "Journeys of Paul in Greece" tour. We **WILL** be going to the Holy Land! Several people who had expressed interest in the trip were waiting for this decision before registering. Rest assured that our tour does not go to Gaza or the disputed areas of the West Bank. So, if you've been waiting to register, NOW is the time! There are brochures in the Uptown and CLC locations. And you can reach out to Pastor Mike or Sue Woods if you need assistance. Join our group [HERE](#) (scroll to the bottom and click on "REGISTER NOW.")

Join us for a potluck at the CLC on September 14 at 5:00pm to get more information and have all your questions answered!



RESPOND

SEPTEMBER MISSION OF THE MONTH: FOUR BASIC PERSONAL CARE ESSENTIALS

For our September Mission of the Month, we are collecting monetary and physical donations of four basic personal care essentials: **shampoo, deodorant, toilet paper, and soap (either bar or bodywash)**. Personal care products are often in short supply at local agencies, yet are vital for maintaining healthy hygiene and dignity. The donations will be divided between the Ankeny Service Center and the Bidwell Pantry at Families Forward. Please bring items to the gray Mission of the Month tubs at your worship location or give monetarily by writing "September Mission of the Month" in your check memo, or [give online](#).

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.

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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GOD, LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE THROUGH ME SO THAT OTHERS CAN KNOW YOU.