

Disciple



January 2024

The mission of Anchor Bible Church is to love God, love people,
and make disciples of Jesus Christ.

The Road Of Faith Traveled

To Anchor Bible Church, those who are justified, sanctified, and called in Jesus Christ. Together with everyone everywhere who calls on Jesus' name as Lord and Savior. May you be met with the grace and peace from God our Father in heaven.

I come to you rejoicing in all that God has done and brought us through, all I can do and point you to do is praise and worship Him. God is faithful. God is good and God is not done moving. I believe God is ushering us into the heart and spirit of revival upon the Gospel truth lived out right here through our lives at Anchor Bible Church.

As I reflect upon all that we have journeyed through together, it is the faith we share and keep in our Lord Jesus that binds us in hope, love, joy, and peace. I'm humbled to have had another year to walk with each of you in the faith that we have received from Jesus.

Looking forward to this new year, I believe God, in His Holy Spirit, is bringing us into a state of authentic discipleship. God has called us to a life of picking up our cross and following Him. God is calling us to authentic, intentional discipleship. Whereby, we as brothers and sisters in Christ remain anchored in His Hope and bring others to know this same truth.

We will begin this journey into 2024 by traveling the road of faith together in the Gospel of Mark. Our hearts have been reminded through the advent and Christmas season that Jesus, Immanuel "God with Us", has come in the flesh. All of this is God's plan of redemption born unto us, Jesus, Messiah, Lord and Savior.

We begin this journey with two colleagues and disciples of Jesus who set off on their first missionary journey to preach the Good News of Jesus Christ. Barnabas and Paul sailed by boat to their first stop, Cyprus. While they journeyed, there was one who helped them and his name was John Mark.

As they journeyed, John Mark and Paul would become very close. So close that John, or as many of us know him, the writer of the Gospel of Mark would record the life and ministry of Jesus.

This journey of faith that we will travel together will take place one chapter and week at a time. My prayer as we navigate through Mark is that we will be able to grow in our faith and help others come to know the eternal salvation God offers through Jesus Christ.

Finally, I ask if you will join me in prayer for the coming year. Pray that each of us would seek revival for God's will to come alive in each of us and our community!

Faithfully living to love God, love people, and make disciples,
Pastor Andrew Happ

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What's UP?

January 2024

- Dec 31: **ONE SERVICE AT 10:30AM**
- Jan 3: **NO** D6 Family Night
- Jan 4: Mission Trip Info Mtg 6pm
- Jan 7: Confirmation Class to Candeo Church in Cedar Falls 9:15am-12:15pm
- Jan 9: Missions Meeting 6:30-8pm
- Jan 16: Ad Council Meeting 6:30pm
- Jan 20: Prayer Shawl Ministry 9-11am
- Jan 21: Confirmation Class 10-11:30am

February 2024

- Feb 3: No Regrets Men's Conference 8am-1:10pm



Prayer Shawl Ministry

Would you like to learn how to knit or crochet or learn more about this ministry? Please join us! Saturday, January 20, 2023 at 9am **At the church** 275 Green St West, CP A light brunch will be provided. Bring your own beverage

For info: Linda Sweeting: 849-1391

ANCHOR BIBLE CHURCH
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Center Point, IA 52213

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email: office@anchorbibleia.org

facebook: Anchor Bible Church

Office Hours: Monday thru Friday 9am - 12Noon

Worship Times: 9am and 10:30am

Please call or email the office to have events and information included in the newsletter.

Vision Statement:

Leading our community to become Christ-centered disciples who are anchored in the the Gospel.

We have this hope as an anchor for the soul, firm and secure. It enters the inner sanctuary behind the curtain.

Hebrews 6:19



Reminder!!
If the activities of CPU School are canceled due to weather conditions, there will be no church activities that evening.

We will use email, facebook & Channels 2,7 & 9 to make announcements regarding Sunday worship service cancellations.

Prayers

Please Join Us *as we Pray*



Brothers & Sisters in Christ Serving in the Military:

(Our list contains those in full time military duty)

Sam Vick

husband of Chelsea (McEvoy) Vick

Chris Butterfield

husband of Lindsay Butterfield

Kaitlyn Murphy

*daughter of Karri Murphy
Stationed in Ramstein, Germany*

Allison McEvoy

daughter of Mike & Tammy McEvoy

Ethan Parrott

husband of Allison McEvoy

Clark Schoch

son of Chad and Jamie Schoch

Jacob Snakenberg

son of Randy & Laurie Snakenberg

We will continue to lift those who are in the Reserve or a part-time basis when we pray for our Nation and those who serve our country.

Mike Beck
Abbie Boies
Mark Boies
Mark Callahan
Karen Chapman
Darlene Denison
Beth Dunkel
Barb Ellson
Mike Ellson
Keith Gatrost
Roger Goodall
Don Lala
Joanie Opfer
Dusty & Jayne Rhoads
Crystiona Mae Soukup
Krista Stepanek
Whitey Weyant

Continued Prayers for:

Corliss Streinz, Angie Streinz's mother
Brian Lage, Linda Marlow's nephew
Renea, Jamie Schoch's mom
Sheryl Nejd, Linda Sweeting's sister
Darla Gerdes, Ann Jacobs' sister-in-law
Mary Warren, Terry Warren's mother
Grace Kubik, Melea Willson's mother
Judy & Dean Gleason, Christina Lahr's parents
Ken Burmood, Alyssa Newman's grandpa
Wayne & Sheila Demmel,
Jodi Weber's parents
Donny, Linda Sweeting's brother
Elsie Payton, Mary Vang's friend
Charlotte, Tracey Taylor's mom
Julie, Lisa Millikin's friend
Norma, Mary Vang's sister-in-law
Teresa Baumgartner, Tracy Milota's mom
Duane, Kelly Shuniak's dad

Prayers of Bereavement:

Alfie Stark's family in his passing

Mark & Lynette Voss & family
and Terry & Sharyl Voss & family
in the passing of their brother, Russ.
Please pray for Russ' wife, Teresa and
family also.

Whitey Weyant & family in the passing of
Whitey's sister, Phyllis

Diane & Bob Hollenbeck & family
in the passing of Diane's mother, Sharon
Henson



Please pray for these Upcoming Marriage Celebrations:

Madison VanVors & Kole Tupa
July 20, 2024

Raynie McKee & Jacob Opfer
September 14, 2024

BULLDOGS

Since 2006



Who: the MEN of Anchor Bible Church & Surrounding Communities
What: Men encouraging men through understanding God's Word.
Where: Anchor Bible Church, 275 Green St West
When: 5:45-7am, Wednesday Mornings
Contact a Bulldog to find out how to join!
Russ Brandt (319-329-9703)



THANK YOU for giving to GYM!

You have given just over \$5,000 to bless others
this Holiday Season.

18 families were touched by your generosity

THANK YOU for Blessing others!



No Regrets Men's Ministry exists to empower the local church to develop its men into an army to reach the world for Christ. Live-streamed to hundreds of Host Sites and Small Groups across the globe, this annual event offers world-class teaching on topics relevant to men from top speakers and thought leaders; live worship, challenging stories and group discussion.

We will be streaming this live event at Anchor Bible Church.

Event is on Saturday 2/3 - 7am - 1pm

We want to invite all Men of to come and join the Bulldogs for the conference. No cost to attend. Contact Russ Brandt (319-329-9703) if interested in attending.



Confirmation

Anchor Bible Church Confirmation 2023-2024 Working Program Calendar

Day	Date	Time	Place	Topic
Sunday	1/7	9:15-12:15	Candeo Church (Luke 22-24)	Alternate Worship Experience
Sunday	1/21	10:00-11:30	Youth Room (Acts 2,8,26)	Early Church History
Sunday	2/4	10:00-11:30	Youth Room (Rom. 3,5,10)	Discipleship/Evangelism
Sunday	2/18	12:00-2:00	Murdoch Funeral Home	Life After Death
Sunday	3/17	11:30-2:00	Sanctuary (Eph. 2-4)	Prep for Holy Week
Sunday	3/24	11:30-1:00	Sanctuary	Prep for Holy Week
Wed	3/27	5:15-7:00	Sanctuary	Confirmation Holy Week Presentation
Sunday	4/14	10:00-11:30	Youth Room (Gal. 3,5,6)	Living Like Jesus/ Theology Q&A
Friday	4/26	5:00pm	Ridge Haven Overnight	1 Pet. 1, 2 Pet. 1, Hebrews 12
& Saturday	4/27	12:00pm end	Ridge Haven Overnight	
Saturday	5/4	5:00	Fellowship Area	Confirmation Dinner
Sunday	5/5		Worship Center	Confirmation Sunday

Summer Games University Confirmation students July

Confirmation Class of 2023 Confirmands & Mentors

Makaila Arnold ~ Jennifer VanGorder
 Hadyen Covington ~ Philip Klett
 Alex Ditch ~ Landon Tweeton
 Jon Dufoe ~ Brandon Mize
 Jordynn Fink ~ Ashlee Wyant
 Kaycey Fink ~ Candy McBurney
 Parks Grennan ~ Rich Loy
 Henley Hahn ~ Sarah Tritle
 Grady Jones ~ Scott Millikin
 Isabelle Katcher ~ Lisa Millikin
 Grady Klett ~ Casey Estling

Nolan Lammers ~ Matt Schalk
 Caleigh Lewis ~ Kim Schildroth
 Bryer Loy ~ Matt Grennan
 Kenna Miller ~ Mary Beth Maloney
 Eli Mize ~ Nate Graham
 Ben Morgan ~ Rob Milota
 Knoxin Schweer ~ Ken McGraw
 Adelyn Stien ~ Kristy Schweer
 Harper Tritle ~ Monica Hahn
 Zoe Ritter ~ Jennifer VanGorder
 Alaina Wilhelmi ~ Karly Millikin

Treasurer's Corner

GENERAL FUND FINANCIAL REPORT

	NOVEMBER 2023	NOVEMBER YTD 2023	NOVEMBER YTD 2022
INCOME-General Contributions	23,419	275,439	280,923
Pastors (2)	10,466	115,126	107,115
Benefits - (1) and support	2,076	28,621	32,415
Directors - childrens & adult	1,502	20,317	23,892
Connectial Giving	521	2,606	
Wages - Office & Support/Payroll taxes	3,880	46,137	43,488
Administrative & Office Costs	595	13,446	11,741
Worship activities	40	4,361	13,588
Programs (Childrens, Youth, Small Groups)	847	9,765	7,586
Ministries & Outreach	909	11,280	12,835
Facility costs	<u>2,070</u>	<u>25,761</u>	<u>26,782</u>
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	22,906	277,420	279,442
apportionments			
NET INCOME(DEFICIT)	8,454	(1,981)	1,481
General Fund bank balance		48,464	52,221
BUILDING FUNDS			
Building Cash		40,600	42,047
Building LOAN		(461,893)	(478,015)
OTHER FUNDS			
Savings - Not Earmarked		26,188	26,160
Savings - Earmarked Funds		56,595	51,037
Memorial Fund		31,102	25,467
Endowment Fund - Lewis/McNiell Trust		322,128	283,082
Endowments - investment Vanguard		10,681	43,807

NOVEMBER 2023

Thankfully, General Fund contributions of \$23,419 exceeded expenses by \$512. YTD contributions are still short \$1,990 in covering expenses though. We pray for a good December to finish out the year strong. The Bulldog's GYM was blessed with over \$5,000 to help 18 families this season! Building Fund donations of \$3,163 covered our mortgage payment of \$2,843.

Building Fund Giving	2023	2022
January-sEPT	31,463	48,102
Oct	2,474	5,158
Nov	<u>3,163</u>	<u>5,244</u>
Total YTD	37,100	58,504
Loan Payments	(31,270)	
Building Fund Cash	40,600	
Building Loan	(461,893)	

Ways to Give

“...God loves a cheerful giver” - 2 Corinthians 9:7b

In Person
The offering boxes are located on either side of the sanctuary doors.

Online

www.anchorbibleia.org/give

Mail
Checks can be mailed to:
PO Box 283
Center Point, IA
52213

Vanco App
Download the Vanco App and search for Anchor Bible Church.

Donate your Stuff to help the building fund!

Take your stuff to Stuff Etc. at 252 Blairs Ferry Rd NE, Cedar Rapids
Drop off times: Tuesday-Saturday 10-6pm
Anchor Bible Church's consignors number: 18846



- Enter the far door on the back side of the building
- Enter our number #18846 in the computer, it will print a tag
- Staff will give you one red tote to fill, place the tag inside
- Furniture is taken separately at the side of the building
- Anchor Bible will receive 50% of the amount the item is sold for
- You can call 373-2380 or use <https://www.shopstuffetc.com> to look up items currently accepted and restrictions.

All money raised from your stuff will go to our Building Fund.

Life Groups

SUNDAY

Storm Shelter 7:00PM
Lynn Klett

MONDAY

Amazing Grays 9:30AM
Linda Marlow

Young Adults 6:00PM
Hannah & Nathan James

New and Bold 6:30PM
Ann Stender/Cindy Graham

CARE Group 6:30PM
Nathan Schnell

TUESDAY

Kingdom Disciples 5:30PM
Angie Streinz

WEDNESDAY

Bulldog's Men's Group 5:45AM
Russ Brandt

D6 Adult Class 6:00PM
Pastor Andrew Happ

THURSDAY (2ND OF THE MONTH)

Women of Grace 6:30PM
Ashley Rambo

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT ADULT MINISTRY OR LIFE GROUPS FEEL FREE
TO CONTACT THE CHURCH OFFICE (319) 849-2518 OR office@anchorbibleia.org

Youth Activities

D6 Middle School and High School

Thursday January 4th – Mission Trip Info Meeting

An informational mission trip meeting for our June 2024 trip to Atlanta. The meeting will begin at 6 PM.

Wednesday January 10th – New Year, New Me

A one-week study on 2 Corinthians 5:17-21 looking at what it means to be a new creation in Christ.

Wednesday January 17th, 24th, & 31st – Life in Community

The community-oriented series that will take us through P. Tyler's paternity leave as we study the importance of being a Christian with others.

For the most up to date information on our middle school and high school ministries, please visit

www.anchorbibleia.org/student-ministry

Summer Games 2024 Registrations

Registrations are now open for SGU2024! Visit www.sgu.camp to register.



D6 Wednesday Nights



Join us at
D6 Family Nights
Wednesday Nights
NO D6 on January 3

"These commandments that I give you today are to be on your hearts. Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up."
Deuteronomy 6:6-7

5:00-6:30pm	D6 Diner (Come as a family and enjoy dinner together ~ free will offering)
5:45-7:00pm	PreK to 5th grade
6:00-7:00pm	Adult Group Study
6:00-7:00pm	Adult Bible Basics Class
6:00-7:15pm	Middle School Youth Group (6th-8th grades)
7:00-8:30pm	High School Youth Group (9-12 grade)

Children's Ministry

[January Volunteer Sign Up Link](#)

If you have any questions please contact Randina Johnson at 319-573-6645 or Randina@anchorbibleia.org

Celebrations

“The Lord has done great things for us & we are filled with joy!” ~ Ps 126:3



- Jan 1 Denise Brislaw
William Gerhold
Bailey Hungate
- Jan 2 *John & Val Dufoe*
Chris & Krista Happ
Trisha Ritter
- Jan 4 Madelyn Pitz
Kyra White
- Jan 5 Roger Goodall
Victoria Birker
- Jan 6 Carla Baumgartner
Marsha Fannin
Garret Birker
Natalie Lammers
Jordan Gordon
- Jan 7 Ken McGraw
Jordan VanVors
- Jan 8 Nellie Squires
Justin Wyant
- Jan 10 Kady Pfeifer
Jerry Rozeboom
Jennifer VanGorder
Rich Loy
- Jan 11 Ted Callahan
Raynie McKee
Jayden Moore
Beth Geater
- Jan 12 Rose Deal
Ryan Heins
Lexi Snakenberg
Brian Tritle
Brenda Wyse
Kinnick Covington
- Jan 13 Henley Hahn
Logan Peterson
Caleigh Lewis
- Jan 14 Reece Miller
Colt Squires

- Jan 15 Chelsea (McEvoy) Vick
Harper Tritle
- Jan 17 Owen Lammers
- Jan 18 Austin Boies
- Jan 19 Reece Rambo
- Jan 20 Amy Sells
Jim Newman
- Jan 21 Kade VanGorder
Brynnlee Zimmerman
Brecken Andersen
Aiden Andersen
Kristy Schweer
- Jan 22 Grady Klett
Isaac Larson
Linda Marlow
Reed Sagert
Kason Geater
- Jan 23 Stan Hepker
Kevin McCauley
- Jan 24 Owen Miller
Jude Newman
Julia Paine
Jackson Toyne
- Jan 25 Lexi Engen
Jody Even
Jessica McGraw
- Jan 26 Julie Fuessley
Memphis Folken
- Jan 27 Larry Slauson
Brayden Beck
- Jan 28 Laurie Taylor
Jim Wood
Luke Slaymaker
- Jan 29 Caleb Johnson
Jonathon Johnson
Jeremy Moore
- Jan 30 Benjamin Sweeting
- Jan 31 David Even



Trevor & Sara Rommann are the proud parents of a daughter,
Chloe Lynn
born November 15, 2023
Proud Grandparents:
Ryan & Lori Heins



Congratulations to Summer & Jed Wyse on their wedding December 16, 2023

Many blessings in their future together!