

Disciple



March 2024

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

The Triumphant Entry

The time had come for Jesus to fulfill what He had told his disciples three times before. Jerusalem was the destination where everything would unfold. Jesus knew what was going to happen. He tried to tell His disciples what would happen but it wasn't until it happened that they fully understood.

When they arrived at Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of His disciples to the village ahead. Here they would find a donkey colt that had never been ridden. They went to retrieve it for Jesus. As we can imagine the two disciples who went to retrieve the colt might have had the thought, "What if the colt isn't there? What if the owner says no?"

Jesus had instructed them on what to say when they arrived. "The Lord needs it and will send it back shortly." With that they untied the colt and brought it back to Jesus. The next thing we know Jesus was coming into Bethlehem and we hear shouts, "Hosanna, blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Blessed is the coming of the kingdom of our father David. Hosanna in the highest heaven."

Once again we see a fulfillment happening. At Jesus' birth in Bethlehem the announcement came from an angel of the Lord. "Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord." (Luke 2:11).

God's plan of redemption has been unfolding from the Garden of Eden and would be completed in Jerusalem. Jesus doesn't overthrow religious or political leaders. Jesus doesn't encourage the disciples to rebel even though some wanted to. Jesus doesn't escape through a back alley.

Instead the Savior of the world enters Jerusalem on a donkey colt. If any part of this account was fabricated surely things would have unfolded differently. But they didn't. God shows us once again that He has come to serve and lay down His life for His creation.

Jesus knew what awaited him on His final ride into Jerusalem. He knew that His life would be the final sacrifice for our sins. Through Jesus' vicarious sacrifice we are shown God's love is pure and true.

Today, I pray that you and I embrace this truth. Not only in being told but that the Holy Spirit would show us that Jesus so loved us that He gave His life for us. That if we believe, we would receive His resurrected life through the power of the Holy Spirit. The only possible response, if we accept Jesus, is a transformed life set upon an eternal outcome with the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

May it be for us to accept and be transformed to live a life for Jesus!

May God Bless and Keep You,
Pastor Andrew Happ

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What's UP?

March 2024

- Mar 3: Atlanta Mission Trip Mtg noon-1pm
- Mar 5: New Members Class 6-8pm
- Mar 6: D6 Family Night 5-8:30pm
- Mar 12: Ad Council 6:30pm
- Mar 13: D6 Family Night 5-8:30pm
- Mar 17: Confirmation Class 11:30am-2pm
Prepare for Holy Week
- Mar 20: D6 Family Night 5-8:30pm
- Mar 24: Confirmation Class 11:30am-1pm
Prepare for Holy Week
- Mar 27: Holy Week Service 6pm
- Mar 28: Holy Week Potluck 6pm
- Mar 29: Holy Week Good Friday Service 6pm
- Mar 31: Easter Morning Services 9am & 10:30am
- April 7: Camp Breakfast 8am until noon

ANCHOR BIBLE CHURCH
 275 Green Street West / PO Box 283
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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



New Members Class~
Tuesday, March 5 from 6-8pm
Anyone who would like to know more about our church
or become a member of our church.
Register by calling the church office.



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.

- Jodi Beck
- Mike Beck
- Abbie Boies
- Mark Boies
- Mark Callahan
- Karen Chapman
- Darlene Denison
- Doris Dufoe
- Beth Dunkel
- Barb Ellson
- Keith Gatrost
- Lynn Lafler
- Don Lala
- Gary Montague
- 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
- Norma, Mary Vang's sister-in-law
- Teresa Baumgartner, Tracy Milota's mom
- Duane, Kelly Shuniak's dad
- Haley, Carma Almandinger's granddaughter

Prayers of Bereavement:

- Joni Goodall & family
in the passing of Roger Goodall
- Jayne Rhoads & family
in the passing of Dusty Rhoads



Please pray for these Upcoming Marriage Celebrations:

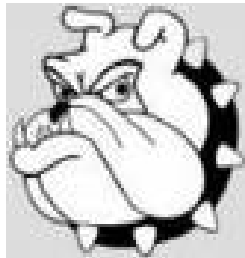
Madison VanVors & Kole Tupa
July 20, 2024

Raynie McKee & Jacob Opfer
September 14, 2024

Jaida Trout & Kaden Neal
No date set yet

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)

The Gospel of Mark's Background

Name: John Mark

Occupation: Missionary, Evangelist, Historian in the early church

Gospel Origins: Mark was most likely in his teenage years during Jesus' life. It is a high probability that he listened to Jesus first hand. Mark was a great companion of multiple apostles. He was with Paul on his first mission (Acts 12:25-13:13) Later on Mark became Peter's most trusted attendant and scribe (1 Peter 5:12-13) This is where we get the original manuscript of the Gospel of Mark. Mark wrote down Peter's apostolic testimony.



Key Themes:

- To present the person, work, and teachings of Jesus.
- Jesus fulfills God's promises to Israel.
- Follow Jesus or oppose Him.
- Servanthood Miracles Spreading the Gospel

Come & See What You are Missing!

Proverbs 27:17 "As iron sharpens iron, so one man sharpens another."



Confirmation

Anchor Bible Church Confirmation 2023-2024 Working Program Calendar

Day	Date	Time	Place	Topic
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
 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

	JANUARY 2024	JANUARY YTD 2024	JANUARY YTD 2023
INCOME-General Contributions	18,387	18,387	27,809
Pastors, Benefits and support	13,041	13,041	13,194
Directors - childrens & adult	1,562	1,562	2,192
Connectial Giving	781	781	-
Wages - Office & Support/Payroll taxes	4,173	4,173	3,368
Administrative & Office Costs	434	434	2,448
Worship activities	736	736	750
Programs (Childrens, Youth, Small Groups)	183	183	322,
Ministries & Outreach	1,148	1,148	660
Facility costs	<u>2,484</u>	<u>2,484</u>	<u>2,713</u>
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	24,542	24,542	25,647
NET INCOME(DEFICIT)	(6,155)	(6,155)	2,162
General Fund bank balance		51,363	50,899
		BUILDING FUNDS	
Building Cash		48,108	45,636
Building LOAN		(459,041)	(475,363)
		OTHER FUNDS	
Savings - Not Earmarked		26,963	35,361
Savings - Earmarked Funds		53,474	60,629
Memorial Fund		31,102	25,467
Endowment Fund - Lewis/McNiel Trust		342,394	283,511
Endowments - investment Vanguard		11,094	45,719

Building Fund Giving	2024	2023
January	<u>3,451</u>	<u>6,335</u>
Total YTD	3,451	6,335
Loan Payments	(2,843)	
Building Fund Cash	48,108	
Building Loan	(459,041)	

JANUARY 2024

January General Fund giving was weak probably due to bad weather. The giving of \$18,387 fell short of the expenses of \$24,542. Building Fund giving \$3,450 covered the mortgage payment. Our Connectional Funding for this year is 3% of our last year's operating costs. We will be paying \$781 each month to the GMC.

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

Events



Come ready to eat on Sunday April 7th as our students will be cooking up some breakfast to raise money for camp! Breakfast will include pancakes, eggs, sausage, and biscuits and gravy! Free will offerings are appreciated.




Good News Club

Child Evangelism Fellowship partners with local churches to share the Gospel with young children and to connect them to the local church. Their primary means of accomplishing this goal is through their Good News Club, an after school, Sunday School style program. In our partnership with CEF we are looking for volunteers who are passionate about helping children meet Jesus, and who can volunteer one hour a week for 6 weeks (Good News Club runs for 6 weeks at a time, usually once in the fall and once in the spring).

The best way to register as a volunteer is on the website: cefhawkeyechapter.com or email Rod Peyton at: rodpeyton.cef@gmail.com

New Ministry



Make a Joyful Noise!

Psalm 98:4
Make a joyful noise unto the Lord,
all the earth; make a loud noise,
and rejoice and sing praise.

Our Purpose:
To share the Good News of Jesus Christ
through song, the Word and fellowship with
the seniors of our community and beyond.

Contact Person:
Carol Callahan
319-310-9632
Center Point, Iowa

Youth Activities

MARCH / 2024						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
25	26	27	28	29	1	2
3	4	5	6 Judges MS 6-7:15 HS 7-8:30	7	8	9
10	11	12	13 Judges MS 6-7:15 HS 7-8:30	14	15	16
17	18	19	20 Judges MS 6-7:15 HS 7-8:30	21	22	23
24	25	26	27 Student-led Holy Week Service 4 PM	28 Midweek Thursday Potluck 4 PM	29 Good Friday Service 8 PM	30
31 Easter Sunday						

SCHEDULE IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE. CHECK OUR FACEBOOK PAGE FOR MOST UP TO DATE INFO. UPDATED 2/20/24

D6 Middle School and High School March 2024 Newsletter

Wednesday March 6th, 13th, 20th – Judges: Israel’s Wild West

This three-week study focuses on some of the highlights (or lowlights) from the book of Judges. We will discuss the universal and unchanging nature of sin in the human condition and what Jesus has done to defeat it.

Wednesday March 27th – Student-led Holy Week Service

Join us for a night of reflection upon the passion narrative as our confirmation students present their Gospel mime.

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

"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

Thank you to those who continue to commit to helping in children's ministry! That being said, we are currently in need of a Kindergarten-1st Grade Lead Teacher for Wednesdays. If you would be interested, please reach out. There are only 10 more D6 nights left for the 2023-2024 school year! As a reminder, we are asking that parents sign up to help in any way possible. We continue to need volunteers to help in all areas (Sunday School and D6).

Please review the slide show presentation from our Parent Information Night back in August. This is good for parents and students to review:

[Parent Information Slide Show](#)

Please visit the link to select a day and time to volunteer:

[Volunteer Sign Up](#)

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



Mar 1 Emily Andrews
Nicholas Kongable
Nathan Pitz

Mar 2 Grady Jones
Zachary Kongable

Mar 3 Brady Pfeifer
Mar 4 *George & Andi Castek*

Mar 5 Mike McEvoy
Mar 6 Gretchen Jones
Bailey Brady
Dave & Lori Leedom

Mar 8 Derek Johnson
Mar 9 Robert Goodall

Mar 10 Joni Goodall
Ann Warren

Mar 12 Lynette Voss
Tyler & Bailey Hungate

Mar 15 Levi Crowley
Mar 17 Robert Goodall
Levi Johnson

Kyle & Katie Scheeler

Mar 20 Parks Grennan
Kylyn Scheeler
Brent & Melea Willson
Chris & Lindsay Butterfield

Mar 21 Blasi Whitehead



Mar 22 Crystal Loy
Claire Holtz
Victor & Diana Smith

Mar 23 Jake Crowley
Rebecca Kummerfeldt

Brenda Klein
Avery Schmitz

Mar 24 Steve Pfeifer
Austin Moore

Mar 25 Braylee Otto
Hayden Guttau
Jemma Guttau

Mar 26 Emalyn Zimmerman
Terri Gauley

Mar 27 Mark Callahan
Melissa Grennan
Tyler Schnell
Addison Rechkemmer

Jennifer Upah
Mar 28 Donna Hepker
Jaden Patterson
Grace Mize

Mar 30 Grace Estling
Hannah Leedom

Mar 31 Jamie Schoch
Einri Strabala

