

Disciple



August 2024

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

Power of the Word

Have you ever had one of those moments where you stop in awe of how fast life comes and goes? The other day Amy and I were talking about when we first arrived here at Anchor Bible Church in 2016. Within a month I graduated Seminary, we got married, and moved from the two churches I served for three years here to Center Point. We bought our first house on Main Street and began to settle into what God had already been doing here.

In 2017, God blessed us to become parents for the first time. We prepared in God's word and what seemed like every Christian parenting book we could get our hands on. Even though we thought we had all these preparations as new parents, we still had no idea. Often to truly understand we have to be shown.

As Luella grew and we were blessed with the news that we were going to have another girl in 2018, Joanna. Again in 2020, God blessed us with Magdalene. In the fast paced blessedness there came a moment we will never forget as parents. All those books we read didn't prepare us for this except for one, God's Holy Word.

Luella, by this time, was walking and talking. We had asked her something very simple (I cannot remember what it was, but I remember her response) and her response was, "I do it myself." Surprised by her response. We both said, "who taught her to say that?"

This moment was another teachable one in a tangible way. The mouth speaks what the heart is full of (Luke 6:45, NIV). Harmless as it may be that Luella said "I do it myself," it still catches your ear when as parents we never taught her to say that. It points directly to the Word of God that the root source of the words we speak comes from our hearts.

How often do we slow down to think about the words we choose to use and how we use them? We may think our words do not have an impact, but they do. James tells us that the tongue is the rudder of the soul (James 3:6). I challenge each of us to take time to slow down, reflect, thank God for all of the blessings we have been given, and pay attention to our words.

Words are important! In the coming weeks we are going to focus on the Word who became flesh, our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. We are going to focus on various important topics regarding personal holiness.

God Bless and Keep You Always,
Pastor Andrew Happ

What's UP?

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August 2024

- Aug 7: Youth Watermelon Olympics 6-7:30pm
- Aug 9-19: Pastor Andrew in Malawi
- Aug 11: Vacation Bible School 3-5pm
- Aug 12-14: Vacation Bible School 9-11:15am
- Aug 14: No MS or HS Youth activities
- Aug 21: All D6 Parent Meeting 5:30-6pm
- Aug 21: Middle School Youth Kickoff 6-7:15pm
High School Youth Kickoff 7-8:30pm
- Aug 22: Last Day of FLY
- Aug 22: Ad Council Mtg 6:30pm
- Aug 25: Confirmation Student, Parent and Mentor mtg
10:30-11:30am
- Aug 27: Blood Drive 4-6pm
- Aug 28: D6 Family Night Resumes!

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Office Hours: Monday thru Friday 9am - 12Noon

SUMMER WORSHIP TIME: 9AM

*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



We are hosting a Community Picnic on
 Sat. August 24th from 4:30 to 7:30pm at Fross
 Park. Join us at Fross Park for fun, food and conversation!
 Hamburgers and hotdogs will be provided.
 The event will also feature bouncy houses, snow cones,
 balloon artists and face painters.
 The goal of this event is to invite community families to
 check out our D6 program and our church in general, so
 please invite your friends & neighbors!

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

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
- Mark Boies
- Tim Boies
- Mark Callahan
- Leonard & Karen Chapman
- Darlene Denison
- Doris Dufoe
- Beth Dunkel
- Keith Gatrost
- Nathan Geater
- Stan Hepker
- Lynn Lafler
- Gary Montague
- Judy Soukup
- Krista Stepanek
- Terry Voss
- Whitey Weyant

Continued Prayers for:

- Corliss Streinz, Angie Streinz's mother
- Brian Lage, Linda Marlow's nephew
- Renea, Jamie Schoch's mom
- Darla Gerdes, Ann Jacobs' sister-in-law
- Mary Warren, Terry Warren's mother
- Judy & Dean Gleason, Christina Lahr's parents
- Ken Burmood, Alyssa Newman's grandpa
- Wayne & Sheila Demmel,
- Jodi Weber's parents
- Elsie Payton, Mary Vang's friend
- Norma, Mary Vang's sister-in-law
- Teresa Baumgartner, Tracy Milota's mom
- Duane, Kelly Shuniak's dad
- Vicki, Kelly Shuniak's mom
- Carol Callahan's family: Corey, Athena and baby
Conor
- Jason, Diana Smith's son
- Oliver Dake, Austin & Jodi Covington's nephew



Please pray for these Upcoming Marriage Celebrations:

Raynie McKee & Jacob Opfer
September 14, 2024

Jaida Trout & Kaden Neal
No date set yet

BULLDOGS Since 2006



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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)

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Come & See What You are Missing!

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



Confirmation

Anchor Bible Church Confirmation 2024-2025 Working Program Calendar

Day	Date	Time	Place	Topic
Sunday	8/25	10:30-11:30	Sanctuary	Parent/Student/ Mentor Meeting
Sunday	9/8	1:00-3:00	Fellowship Area	Getting Acquainted- Why we are here/Cemetery
Sunday	9/22	10:00-11:30	Library	
Sunday	10/6	10:00-11:30	Library	
Sunday	10/20	10:00-11:30	Library	
Sunday	11/3	12:45-3:45	Bowling	Field Trip
Saturday	11/9	9:00-4:00	Faith Bible Church	Dare2Share Live
Sunday	11/17	10:00-11:30	Library	
Sunday	12/8	10:00-11:30	Library	
Friday	12/13	5:00-8:00	Fellowship Area	Live Nativity (6-8pm)
Sunday	12/15	5:00	Fellowship Area	Caroling/Christmas Party
Sunday	1/5	9:15-12:15	Candeo Church	Alternate Worship Experience
Sunday	1/19	10:00-11:30	Library	
Sunday	2/2	10:00-11:30	Library	
Sunday	2/16	12:00-2:00	Murdoch Funeral Home	Life After Death
Sunday	3/2	10:00-11:30	Library	
Sunday	3/16	10:00-11:30	Library	
Sunday	3/30	10:00-11:30	Library	
Sunday	4/6	11:30-2:00	Sanctuary	Prep for Holy Week
Sunday	4/13	11:30-1:00	Sanctuary	Prep for Holy Week
Wed	4/16	5:15-7:00	Sanctuary	Confirmation Holy Week Presentation
Friday	5/2	5:00 -	Ridge Haven Overnight	
& Saturday	5/3	12:00	Ridge Haven Overnight	
Saturday	5/10	5:00	Fellowship Area	Confirmation Dinner
Sunday	5/11	9:00 & 10:30 services	Worship Center	Confirmation Sunday

Summer Games University Confirmation students July

Revised June 20, 2024

Treasurer's Corner

GENERAL FUND FINANCIAL REPORT

	JUNE 2024	JUNE YTD 2024	JUNE YTD 2023
INCOME-General Contributions	24,552	163,366	153,488
Pastors, Benefits and support	15,290	81,530	86,090
Directors - childrens & adult	1,562	9,372	9,012
Connectial Giving	781	4,686	-
Wages - Office & Support/Payroll taxes	4,258	25,637	26,221
Administrative & Office Costs	1,234	4,413	9,765
Worship activities	34	1,497	2,933
Programs (Childrens, Youth, Small Groups)	1,265	5,828	7,131
Ministries & Outreach	909	4,706	8,292
Facility costs	<u>3,099</u>	<u>13,644</u>	<u>15,848</u>
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	28,432	151,313	165,292
NET INCOME(DEFICIT)	(3,880)	12,053	(11,804)
General Fund bank balance		69,571	36,391
		BUILDING FUNDS	
Building Cash		36,949	44,632
Building LOAN		(412,676)	(468,631)
		OTHER FUNDS	
Savings - Not Earmarked		30,087	23,058
Savings - Earmarked Funds		54,730	61,110
Memorial Fund		31,102	31,102
Endowment Fund - Lewis/McNiel Trust		388,162	311,761
Endowments - investment Vanguard		11,389	10,661

Building Fund Giving	2024	2023
January-April	33,863	14,821
May	6,794	3,664
June	4,848	1,073
Total YTD	45,505	17,485
Loan Payments	(56,056)	
Building Fund Cash	36,949	
Building Loan	(412,676)	

JUNE 2024

June General Fund giving of \$24,552 fell short of the \$28,432 expenses. Checkbook balance is still healthy at \$69,571. YTD giving is 6% ahead of last year. Building Fund donations of \$4,848 covered our \$2,843 mortgage payment.

Ways to Give

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

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- In Person**
The offering boxes are located on either side of the sanctuary doors.
- Online**
A QR code is provided for online giving. Below the QR code is the URL: 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

Kelsey & Landon Tweeton

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



We believe "the Word of God is Alive and Active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart." Hebrews 4:12
"We would LOVE anyone interested to join us in a **Summer Bible Reading Plan**. This reading plan is only 1 Chapter a day with a break on the Sabbath where you can catch up if you get behind. Each daily reading should be about 5 minutes. Search Facebook for "2024 Summer Bible Reading"

FLY

Feeding Lunches to Youth

Summer lunch program for CPU students and families
Feeding Lunches to Youth (FLY) serves sack lunches
Monday through Friday
beginning **Friday, May 31**
and running through **Thursday, August 22**

Lunches are prepared and delivered each day by
volunteers from the community.

FLY is supported by several financial supporters, congregations, and many volunteers.

The purpose is to provide a lunch for students throughout the summer months.

Lunches are available Monday through Friday from
noon until 12:30pm during June, July, and August
(when schools are not in session) at the following sites:

Center Point Public Library
720 Main Street
Center Point, IA 52213
(Parking lot across the street)

Urbana Legion Hall
204 W Wood Street
Urbana, IA 52345 (Pavilion)

The main mission is to serve lunch to children.

Adults who request a lunch may be served
at 12:25pm if any lunches remain.

If you would like to volunteer or have any questions, please call **(319) 849-2518** or send an
e-mail to **centerpointurbanafly@gmail.com**
Link to sign up to volunteer: [FLY Volunteer Sign Up](#)

Youth Activities

AUGUST

/ 2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
28	29	30	31	1	2	3
4 HG Bible Study @ Pastor Tyler's House 7:30 - 9 PM	5	6	7 TBD 6 - 7:30 PM	8	9	10
11	12	13	14 No D6	15	16	17
18 HG Bible Study @ Pastor Tyler's House 7:30 - 9 PM	19	20	21 All Parent Meeting 5:30 D6 MS & HS Kickoff MS 6 - 7:15 HS 7-8:30	22	23	24 Community Picnic 4:30 - 7 PM Fross Park
25 HG Bible Study @ Pastor Tyler's House 7:30 - 9 PM	26	27	28 D6 Family Night Begins MS 6 - 7:15 HS 7-8:30	29	30	31

SCHEDULE IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE. CHECK OUR FACEBOOK PAGE FOR MOST UP TO DATE INFO.

UPDATED 07/30/24

D6 Middle School and High School August 2024 Newsletter

Wednesday August 7th – To Be Determined

Please keep your eyes on the Facebook page and Tuesday email for information on D6 August 7th

Wednesday August 21st – Parent Meeting and MS/HS Kickoff

The all parent meeting will run from 5:30 – 6:00 PM at the church, followed by our middle school and high school fall kickoff which will include fun games and prizes!

Saturday August 24th – Community Picnic

Join us for a community picnic at Fross Park on August 24th to close out the summer! We will provide food, snow cones, face painting, bouncy houses, and balloon artists! All are welcome to join in this fun and family friendly event!

Wednesday August 28th – D6 Family Night Begins

Our first full D6 Family Night of the school year! The community meal begins at 5 PM. Children's ministry begins at 5:45, adults and middle school both start at 6, and high school starts at 7.

Children's Ministry

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday School is a great way for children to hear and learn the Gospel on their level, plus fellowship time with other children. Join us every Sunday at 9:00am after the children's message! Please sign up to help here:

[Sunday School Volunteer Sign Up](#)

Please reach out to Randina Johnson with any questions
319-573-6645 or Randina@anchorbibleia.org

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

August 11th 3:00-5:00pm

August 12th-14th 9:00-11:15am

Please register online: <https://anchorbibleia.org/vbs/>



If your interested in helping in anyway,please contact Randina Johnson.

We are asking to borrow the following items for decorating for VBS. If you have any of these items please put your name on it and drop off at the church office during office hours:

- Wicker baskets
- Solid color bed sheets
- Fake food/plants
- Pop-up Canopy
- Blankets

D6 WEDNESDAY NIGHTS

D6 Wednesday Night Ministry

If you are interested in helping with the children during our Wednesday night program beginning August 28, 2024, please contact Randina Johnson by email or phone.

Randina@anchorbibleia.org

319-573-6645

D6 Wednesday Nights

ALL D6 PARENT MEETING

There will be an all D6 Parent Meeting on Wednesday August 21st from 5:30-6:00PM. Parents of D6 students from nursery age through high school students are encouraged to attend.



Join us at
**D6 Family Nights
Wednesday Nights**
Resumes August 28, 2024

"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

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| 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) |

Celebrations

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



- Aug 1 Scott Goebel
- Beth Larson
- Maleny Schildroth
- Aug 2 Beckham Loy
- Ryhs McGraw
- Aug 3 *Ken & Cindy Graham*
- Aug 4 Andi Castek
- TJ Kummerfeldt
- John Kummerfeldt
- Bryer Loy
- Amy Happ
- Brad & Twyla Jenewein*
- Aug 5 Ben Boesenberg
- Aug 6 Tim Cox
- Aug 7 Ryker Berns
- Kaylene Squires
- Ben & Molly Sweeting*
- Russ & Brenda Wyse*
- Aug 8 Cassi Zimmerman
- Maya Tweeton
- Sharyl Voss
- Craig & Sarah Hefel*
- Aug 9 Carter Kirtz
- Aug 10 Emmrie Butterfield
- Gracyn Fangman
- Matt & Allison Traynor*
- Aug 11 Breckin Knutsen
- Teresa Scheeler
- Landon & Kelsey Tweeton*
- Shane & Julie Fuessley*
- Aug 12 Madison Roa Graham
- Nick Larson
- Roger Opfer
- Aug 13 Ellslyn McAllister
- Aug 14 Jaida Trout
- Dan Scheeler
- Vic Slaymaker

- Aug 15 Joni Bruce
- Madison McCauley
- Justin & Ashlee Wyant*
- Aug 16 Aydra Trout
- Ayla Gutttau
- Aug 17 Aaron Brislawn
- Craig & Angela Pritchard*
- Aug 19 Zadedek VanGorder
- Ben Opfer
- Sam Opfer
- Aug 20 Casey Kirtz
- Coen Tweeton
- Macy & Kim Schildroth*
- Aug 21 CJ Schoch
- Nick & Beth Larson*
- Mike & Amy Sells*
- Aug 23 Bentley Jensen
- Aug 24 Matt Grennan
- Easton Tupa
- Aug 25 *Larry & Sue Slauson*
- Aug 26 Gene VanHorn
- Aug 27 Derek Besick
- Rossilyn McAllister
- Maria Pitz
- Lisa Millikin
- Scott & Lisa Millikin*
- Aug 28 Tim Fannin
- Lennix Johnson
- Aaron & Denise Brislawn*
- Randy & Laurie Snakenberg*
- Aug 30 Allie Gerhold
- David Lees
- Emery & Irene Hines*
- Aug 31 Kole Tupa
- Adrianna (Katcher) Webster



*Congratulations to
Madi & Kole Tupa
on their wedding
July 20, 2024
Many blessings in their future
together!*