

# Disciple



March 2026

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

## “Examine the Fruit”

**John 15:8** - *“This is to my Father’s glory, that you bear much fruit, showing yourselves to be my disciples.”*

With temperatures slowly rising and the days getting longer, I don’t doubt that we are gazing out our windows over the countryside looking forward to spring. With the hope of spring, we know that all of which seems dead and lifeless will soon be bursting with life as plants and flowers spring forth. Trees sprout leaves and buds promising fruit to come. The air is filled with the sounds of birds chirping and singing their tunes.

It seems so fitting that in this time of the earth springing from death to life we get to remember the resurrection of our Lord Jesus. Jesus, alive from the dead, what a blessing it is to celebrate that each year on Easter Sunday. Prior to this day of celebration, we, as a church, uphold to a time of preparation called Lent. A time to prepare our hearts to remember the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus in a very intentional way.

The season of Lent gives way for each one of us to examine the fruit of our lives. What is our fruit? The fruit of our lives is the evidence of the Holy Spirit’s work within us being seen in godly character, behavior and actions. It is good to take a look at what we do and the motives behind doing it in order to determine whether these things are of any spiritual benefit. Whether or not they are causing us to grow closer in relationship with Jesus which results in godly fruit.

This verse in John’s gospel tells us that when our lives are producing much fruit we are bringing glory to Almighty God, the one who created all things and proclaims His glory in the heavens. As powerful and mighty as the heavens are, it is actually the Father’s desire that His glory be seen by others through you and I. What an amazing opportunity and grace we are given that others are able to see Christ in us leaving impacts that have eternal effects.

In order for us to bear much fruit we must be Christ’s disciples. Discipleship is similar to apprenticeship, we are to learn and mimic everything that Christ teaches us in order to be like Him. This takes love and devotion empowered by the Holy Spirit Himself. With His help I encourage us all to be intentional during this Lent season to input more righteous actions and remove those things that are not beneficial to our relationship with Christ. As a result of these efforts and devotions we will no doubt prove to grow as His disciples bearing fruit to the glory of God Almighty!

Jesus is Lord and He loves us!

*Pastor Nick Williams*

# What's UP?

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## March 2026

- Mar 1: Confirmation Class 10:30am-noon
- Mar 4: D6 Family Night 5-8:30pm
- Mar 6-7: The Call Youth Retreat
- Mar 8 : Daylight Savings Time begins ~ Turn your clocks forward!
- Mar 11: D6 Family Night 5-8:30pm
- Mar 14: Coffee & Conversation 8-10am (Women's group)
- Mar 15: Confirmation Class 10:30am-noon
- Mar 18: D6 Family Night 5-8:30pm
- Mar 22: Confirmation Class prep for Holy Week 11:30am-2pm
- Mar 25: D6 Family Night 5-8:30pm
- Mar 26: Trustees Meeting 6:30pm
- Mar 28: Church Cleaning Day
- Mar 29: Confirmation Class prep for Holy Week 11:30am-1pm

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Office Hours: Monday thru Friday 9am - 12Noon

**Worship times: 8:45am & 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*



# Prayers

## Please Join Us *as we Pray*

### God Bless America



#### 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*

**Nick & Sarah Schultz**

*niece and nephew-in-law of Scott & Lisa Millikin*

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.

Mark Callahan  
Jim Carver  
George Castek  
Karen Chapman  
Verlene Montgomery Hawker  
Stan Hepker  
Amy Hromidko  
Chad Schoch  
Anne Stender  
Terry Voss



#### Please pray for these Upcoming Marriage Celebrations:

Katie Cilek & Jordan Rammelsberg  
April 11, 2026

McKenna Rawson & Kyle Coppess  
April 25, 2026

Jordan VanVors & Nathan Williams  
May 9, 2026

Grace Kohler & Brady Pfeifer  
June 6, 2026

Gretchen Jones & Jonathan Schuman  
June 20, 2026

Aydra Trout & Jacob Smith  
July 18, 2026

Karly Millikin & Caleb Andrews  
September 18, 2026

Autumn McGowan & Ben Opfer  
October 1, 2026

Ellie Eikenberry & Nels Fossum  
October 11, 2026

#### Continued Prayers for

Brian Lage, Linda Marlow's nephew  
Renea, Jamie Schoch's mom  
Judy & Dean Gleason, Christina Lahr's parents  
Wayne & Sheila Demmel,  
Jodi Weber's parents  
Duane, Kelly Shuniak's dad  
Gary & Donna Brown, Glenda Allen's parents  
Dean, Dustin Mallie's dad

#### Prayers of Bereavement for

Rod & Christina Lahr and family in the passing of Rod's mom, Joanne



# Bulldogs

**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)

Bulldogs will be in the No Regrets Follow Up study around Surrender through March.

The seven-week study is designed to continue the momentum from the Surrender Conference.



## Come & See What You are Missing!

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



# Confirmation

## Anchor Bible Church Confirmation 2025-2026

### Working Program Calendar

Day	Date	Time	Place	Topic
Sunday	3/1	10:30-noon	Library	
Sunday	3/15	10:30-noon	Library	
Sunday	3/22	11:30-2:00	Sanctuary	Prep for Holy Week
Sunday	3/29	11:30-1:00	Sanctuary	Prep for Holy Week
Wed	4/1	5:15-7:00	Sanctuary	Confirmation Holy Week Presentation
Sunday	4/19	10:30-noon	Library	
Friday	5/1	5:00pm	Ridge Haven Overnight	
& Saturday	5/2	12:00pm end	Ridge Haven Overnight	
Saturday	5/9	5:00pm	Fellowship Area	Confirmation Dinner
Sunday	5/10	9:00 & 10:30	Worship Center	Confirmation Sunday
		Services	(9am-introduced to church family, 10:30-official joining church)	

*Summer Games University    Confirmation students    July    Revised 11/21/25*

### Confirmation Class of 2026 Confirmands & Mentors

Brixley Boyes-Hendryx ~ Angela Praska	Owen Lammers ~ Zach Stien
Garrett Brislawn ~ Brian Praska	Brailey Lewis ~ Amy Rechkemmer
James Chrisman ~ Jeff Walters	Kolten Lewis ~ Tony Stadheim
Victoria Ditch ~ Erica Estling	Isaiah Mize ~ Dillon Fawcett
Karly Estling ~ Melissa Ditch	Michael Pestka ~ Nate Holub
Tenley Gordon ~ Jenn VanGorder	Aiden Rambo ~ Bill Filter
Easton Graham ~ Todd Mitchell	Teagan Stadheim ~ Elizabeth Brandt
Ella Graham - Carolyn Mitchell	Cale Stien ~ Chris Lammers
Jemma Guttai ~ Sarah Eikenberry	Gage Walters ~ Matt Schalk
Hayden Guttai ~ Grace Holub	Samuel Williams ~ Russ Brandt
Kaydyn Hendryx ~ Ashley Rambo	

# Ways to Give

Our New Platform where everything is all tied together!

We are excited!!

“Church Center”



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## 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 consign number: 18846



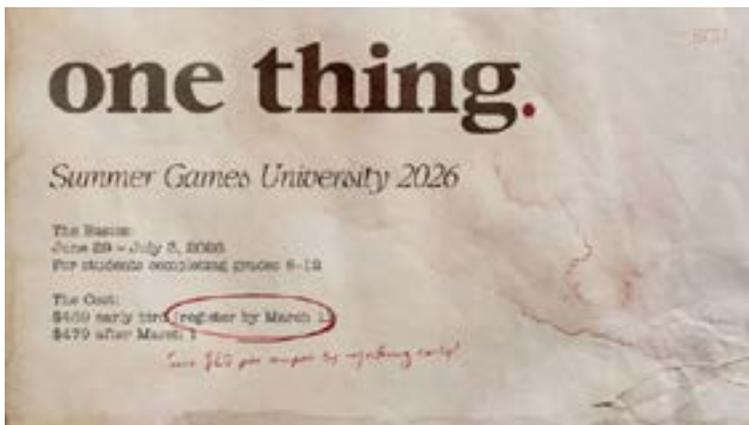
- Enter the far door on the back side of the building
- Enter our number #18846 in the computer, it will print a tag
- Staff will give you one red tote to fill, place the tag inside
- Furniture is taken separately at the side of the building
- Anchor Bible will receive 50% of the amount the item is sold 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.**

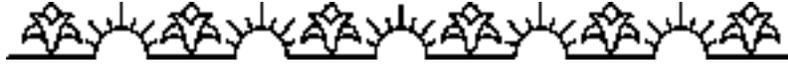
# Events



Join us for coffee and conversations on Saturday March 14th from 8-10am! Ladies of all ages are welcome and are invited to attend even if you can only join for part of the time!



# Easter Flowers



## ORDER YOUR EASTER FLOWERS!

We will be ordering Easter lilies and flowers for Easter Sunday to decorate our sanctuary. A list of the “in Honor of” and “in Memory of” will be projected at both Easter Sunday Services. **Plants may be taken home after the 10:30am Easter Service or picked up on Easter Monday.**

***Please place your order by:***  
**Sunday, March 29, 2026**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ 6” Easter Lilies **\$13** each = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ 6” Tulips **\$13** each = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ 6” Hyacinth **\$13** each = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ 6” Daffodils **\$13** each = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Total

*In Honor of:*

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

*In Memory of:*

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Please make checks payable to:**  
**Anchor Bible Church with “Easter Flowers” in the memo.**

Please put order form & payment in the offering box, turn into the church office or mail to:

**Anchor Bible Church**  
**PO Box 283**  
**Center Point, Iowa 52213**

# Timber to Table Ministry



## Mission

Our mission is to provide food to those in need by distributing fresh, healthy, and responsibly harvested meat in the name of Christ.

## Join Us On Sunday!

You are invited to join us for church at Anchor Bible on Sunday mornings at 8:45am or 10:30am.

## Wednesday Nights!

Our Wednesday evening D6 program is a community favorite! We host a community meal starting at 5:00 PM followed by classes and groups for all ages at 5:45!

## Need Assistance?

Please submit this form to request assistance from the Timber to Table ministry. Each request will be reviewed by the board and will be distributed accordingly.



*Request Assistance*



## Want to Give?

We combat food insecurity in our area by providing venison to families in need at no cost to them. Meat is processed by Edgewood Locker.

## GUIDING VERSE

For I was hungry, and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty, and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger, and you invited me in.  
Matthew 25:35



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# Children's Relief Int'l



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## PRAY FOR MALAWI: EXTREME DROUGHT BROUGHT MASSIVE CROP FAILURE AND EXTREME HUNGER

We would love your prayers of the community in Malawi as they face extreme conditions, El Niño-induced drought. This is affecting the Nsanganiza village and the entire region. Over 4 million are affected and it is estimated that around 25% of corn has failed, and prices are up 40% or more. Food shortages are everywhere. Normally, March marks the beginning of harvest and the end of "hungry" season, as the people refer to it.

Pray for food, the miracle of a bountiful harvest and strength!



You're invited to join us!

**Mission Team  
to Malawi  
July 22<sup>nd</sup> -  
August 2<sup>nd</sup>**

Scan this code with your camera and fill out the form to let us know you're interested



**Who:** a team of 8-12 individuals from Anchor Bible Church  
**What:** a mission team to Malawi  
**When:** July 22nd to August 2nd  
**Where:** Malawi  
**Why:** to care for those in need and share the gospel. You will be serving through sports discipleship, men, women, and children's ministry, building Green Door homes and more.  
**Cost:** \$4,000 depending on flight cost at time of purchase (fundraising for expenses strongly recommended)  
**Deadline to join the team:** commit to serve by end of March. Space is limited!

# Bible Studies

## **SUNDAY**

High School Youth Bible Study 7:30PM  
Landon Tweeton

Storm Shelter 6:30PM  
Beth Larson

## **MONDAY**

Amazing Grays 9:30AM  
Linda Marlow

Young Adults 6:00PM  
Landon Tweeton/Dillon Fawcett

Acts 29 ~ College Age Group 6:00PM  
Kyle Coppess & McKenna Rawson  
at Kyle's house ~ 1220 Franklin St, Center Point

New and Bold 6:30PM  
"Revelation ~ A book of hope and blessing"  
Anne Stender/Cindy Graham

## **WEDNESDAY**

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

D6 Adult Class ~ The Upper Room 6:00PM  
Joe & Monica Steffeck

Wednesdays in the Word ~ 6:00PM  
Pastor Nick Williams

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT ADULT MINISTRY OR BIBLE STUDIES FEEL FREE  
TO CONTACT THE CHURCH OFFICE (319) 849-2518 OR [office@anchorbibleia.org](mailto:office@anchorbibleia.org)

# Youth Activities

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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1 HS Bible Study • London Tweeton's house 7:50-9PM	2	3	4 IDK - Apologetics MS 6-7:15 HS 7-8:50	5	6 The Coil Retreat 6PM -	7 The Coil Retreat - 5PM
8 HS Bible Study • London Tweeton's house 7:50-9PM	9	10	11 Student Led Night MS 6-7:15 HS 7-8:50	12	13	14
15 HS Bible Study • London Tweeton's house 7:50-9PM	16	17	18 REAL EYES MS 6-7:15 HS 7-8:50	19	20	21
22 HS Bible Study • London Tweeton's house 7:50-9PM	23	24	25 REAL EYES MS 6-7:15 HS 7-8:50	26	27	28 Church Clean Up Day 8AM-12PM
29 HS Bible Study • London Tweeton's house 7:50-9PM	30	31				

### IDK - Apologetics

We'll finally close our apologetics series by discussing why it's so important to be ready to share the reason for the hope we have (1 Peter 3:15). Students will learn how these reasons apply to today's culture and in everyday conversations.

### REAL | EYES

We are starting a new four-week series exploring the message of First John and what it means to *know* that Jesus has truly transformed our lives. Through this series we pray that the students will grow in confidence in their relationship with Christ and be equipped to share that hope with the friends around them.

### Church Clean Up Day

Join our church family for a big spring deep clean as we get God's house ready for the season! You can sign up on Sunday or stop by the church office to get involved.

[Check out our Church Center App for more details](#)

# 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 4th grade
6:00-7:00pm	Adult Group Study
6:00-7:15pm	Middle School Youth Group (5th-8th grades)
7:00-8:30pm	High School Youth Group (9-12 grade)

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## Children’s Education

Please continue to prayerfully consider leading in the Children’s Ministry. We are in need of leaders in all areas; nursery, Sunday School, and Wednesday night D6.

Vacation Bible School is on our minds!! Be on the look out for dates and more information.

Please text, call, or email Randina Johnson with any questions.

Phone: 319-573-6645

Email: [Randina@anchorbibleia.org](mailto:Randina@anchorbibleia.org)

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## D6 Diner Donations

Anchor Bible Church hosts a community meal each Wednesday night before our D6 Family Night. In a effort to keep costs down, we are requesting to have items for the meals donated.

Please see the list below for items to donate for the following weeks ~ March 4, 11, 18 and 25

The items may be brought to the church office Monday through Friday between 9-noon.

Donations need to be dropped off by the Monday before the meal is served.

Thank you in advance for your generous hearts!

[March D6 Diner Donation link](#)

# Celebrations

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



**Mar 1** Emily Andrews  
Nicholas Kongable

**Mar 2** Grady Jones  
Zachary Kongable  
Gemma Gienger

**Mar 3** Brady Pfeifer  
Tanya Walters  
Mike Pestka

**Mar 4** *George & Andi Castek*

**Mar 5** Mike McEvoy

**Mar 6** Gretchen Jones  
Bailey Brady  
*Dave & Lori Leedom*

**Mar 10** Jennifer Wescott  
Tiernan Ellison

**Mar 12** Lynette Voss

**Mar 13** Ashlee Wyant

**Mar 15** Levi Crowley

**Mar 17** Levi Johnson  
*Kyle & Katie Scheeler*

**Mar 19** Jordan Rammelsberg

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

**Mar 21** Blasi Whitehead  
Dillon Fawcett

**Mar 22** Crystal Loy  
Claire Gallagher  
Peggy Hauglie  
*Victor & Diana Smith*

**Mar 23** Jake Crowley  
Rebecca Kummerfeldt  
Avery Schmitz

**Mar 24** Steve Pfeifer  
Austin Moore  
Kolten Lewis  
Brailey Lewis  
Cameron Rammelsberg

**Mar 25** Braylee Otto  
Hayden Guttau  
Jemma Guttau  
Rachel Plein

**Mar 26** Emalyn Zimmerman  
Terri Gauley  
Tony Stadheim

**Mar 27** Mark Callahan  
Melissa Grennan  
Tyler Schnell  
Addison Rechkemmer  
Jennifer Upah

**Mar 28** Donna Hepker  
Jaden Patterson  
Grace Mize  
Brandon Mize

**Mar 29** Kaydyn Hendryx

**Mar 30** Grace Estling  
Hannah Leedom  
Liana Steffeck  
Sydney Wachendorf

**Mar 31** Jamie Schoch  
Einri Strabala