



AMES FIRST

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

*To make disciples of Jesus,
who serve beyond the walls.*

10:00 AM Sunday

Second Sunday after Pentecost

June 7, 2026

PRELUDE

Ilene Riitano

"Fairest Lord Jesus" - Schlesische Volkslieder, 1842, arr. Cathy De Rouse in the style of "Sonatina" from Cantata BWV 106 "God's time is Best," by Johann Sebastian Bach

GREETING

SHARING NEWS OF THE CHURCH ALIVE

*PASSING OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST

*CALL TO WORSHIP

God of Creation, God of Salvation, God of Wind and Flame!

Changeless God, Ever-seeking, Ever-reaching, Ever-teaching God

Sovereign God, Prince of Peace, Comforter and Friend

God in three Persons, Blessed Trinity!

~Written by Rev. Dr. Safiyah Fosua

*HYMN

"Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty"

64, UMH

*OPENING PRAYER

"Trinity Sunday"

76, UMH

*GLORIA PATRI

"Glory Be to the Father"

70, UMH

SHARING OF JOYS, CONCERNS, & GOD-SIGHTINGS

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN

"Father, I Adore You"

2038, TFWS

FIRST SCRIPTURE

Matthew 3:13-17

Steve Hanlin

A TIME WITH OUR CHILDREN

Nicole Smith

ANTHEM

Chancel Choir with Violinist Hasom Park
"Come and Find Your Perfect Rest" - Lloyd Larson,
words based on Matthew 11:28-30

SECOND SCRIPTURE

Ephesians 3:16-19

SERMON

"Celebrate the Trinity"

Rev. Nikki Ross Bishop

HYMN OF PREPARATION FOR COMMUNION

"I Come with Joy" v.1-4
617, UMH

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

A Service of Word and Table II
p. 12-15, UMH

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

INVITATION TO OFFER OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

* OFFERTORY RESPONSE

"Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"
95, UMH

* DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

* CLOSING HYMN

"They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love"
2223, TFWS

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Ilene Riitano
Bach, J.S. (1685-1750) - "Sheep May Safely Graze," Soprano Aria from
Cantata BWV 208 "*Schafe können sicher weiden.*"
Organ transcription by Jack Schrader

LEAVING FOR SERVICE

*Please stand in body or spirit

Food at First

Food at First ALWAYS needs VOLUNTEERS in the summer. When the ISU students go home for the summer, it leaves FaF very shorthanded. PLEASE go to Foodatfirst.com to sign up for a shift. They need help on Market Days (Mondays, Thursdays, and Saturdays) and the daily meals. Current needs are listed in the Main Entrance.

Are you getting the news from Ames First UMC? Since the bulletins have limited space, we also send out **Weekly Words** on Thursdays with more detailed information of events going on in and around the church. Not getting Weekly Words? Contact the office to make sure your email is listed!



WINTER FUN WILL MAKE A
SUMMER COMEBACK! VBS 2026
WILL CONTINUE ALL THAT FUN
WITH SNOWBALL MOUNTAIN
CHALLENGE!
JUNE 22-25, 8:30AM - 11:30AM
REGISTER TO PARTICIPATE OR
VOLUNTEER TODAY!



<https://ames-first-umc.mycokesburyvbs.com/>

CHURCH SOFTBALL -- CHEER ON THE TEAM! South River Valley Park (East 13th Street)

UPCOMING GAMES - TUESDAY NIGHTS

- 6/9 - 6:10 - Stonebrook - field 6
- 6/9 - 7:10 - Harvest Ames - field 6
- 6/16 - 6:10 - TCRC - field 5
- 6/23 - 6:10 - Stonebrook - field 5
- 6/23 - 7:10 - LifePointe - field 6

Interested in playing? Contact William Edwards- wedwards-iastate.edu



Worship through Giving

1. Gifts may be dropped in the box located on the wall as you exit the Sanctuary
2. Scan the QR code to give online
3. Text "Firstames Budget" to 73256 and follow the prompts

Weekly Calendar

Sunday, June 7

9:15am Coffee and Conversation/FH
10:00am Sunday Service/Sanc
11:15am Up With Puppets/Puppet Room
3:00pm John Adams Visitation/Grandon

Monday, June 8

11:00am John Adams Funeral/Sanc
5:30pm Trustees

Tuesday, June 9

9:30am Quilters/QR
2:00pm Life Group/CR
3:15pm Member Care CR
4:00pm Jerry Hall Visitation/Grandon
6:10pm Softball v Stonebrook White/
Field 6
6:30pm Missions/CR
7:10pm Softball v Harvest Ames/Field 6

Wednesday June 10

7:30am Pies/Kitchen
10:00am Mat Making/FH
1:30pm Jerry Hall Funeral/Sanc, FH
6:00pm Chancel Choir/Sanc

Saturday, June 13

10:00am Mat Makers/FH
10:00am Prayer Shawls/Main Entrance
5:30pm Saturday Night Service/Chapel

+Weekly: Golden Kiwanis, AA

+Abbreviations for Room Names:

CR-Conference Rm / FH - Fellowship
Hall / HSR - High School Rm / MPR -
Multi Purpose Rm / Sanc - Sanctuary /
QR - Quilt Rm / HL -
History Library

CHURCH STAFF

Rev. Amanda Gordon, Senior Pastor
Rev. Nikki Ross Bishop, Associate Pastor
Nicole Smith, Christian Education Director
Ilene Riitano, Organist and Music Director
Julie Minot, Office Manager
Vivian Severson, Office Assistant
Reid Cummer, Business Manager
Kris Hinders, Digital Coordinator
James Minot, Maintenance Custodian
Matt Woodworth, Part-time Custodian

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Mon-Thurs 9:00 - 4:00 / Friday 9:00 - 1:00

CONTACT INFORMATION

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Audio/Video/Streaming Volunteers

Marty Sankey Mike Evans Pete Peterson

Greeters:

6/7 Diana Schwendinger,
Karen Kerper, Cathy Webb

Song Leader: Paige Brincks

Pianist: Anita Odekirk

If you are visiting with us today, thank you! We are glad you are here! Please stop by the Welcome Center (2nd floor by the elevator) as you leave to get a Welcome bag. There are cards to fill out if you would like more information or would like someone to contact you.