

ATONEMENT METHODIST CHURCH

CONNECTIONS

JUNE, JULY 2025

TO MY BROTHERS AND SISTERS.....FULFILLING OUR DESTINY

*Moreover, because of what Christ has done, we have become gifts to God that He delights in, for as part of God's sovereign plan "**we were chosen**" from the beginning and all things happen just as God decided long ago. God's purpose in this was that we should praise God and give glory to God for doing these mighty things for us..." (Ephesians 1: 11-12 The Living Bible) }*

We are a chosen and adopted child of God!

According to Scripture, we all have this same predetermined destiny, given to us before the world was formed. We are all destined to be an adopted child of God. It is not by great works or achievements- so that no one can boast of their own accomplishments. We are to live holy lives of obedience to God while giving praise and glory to God. We should be daily destined to reach lost souls and bring them into the fullness of Jesus. Every day it is our destiny to be growing in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. And it's all to the glory of God! Every day we are to be growing in holiness and purity (2Peter 3:18). Every day is a day to be imitating the image of Jesus. (Romans 8:29). Dearly beloved, be ready! What does the Lord want from you? Simply stated, we are to do justly, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with your God" (Micah 6:8). May God find us faithfully serving God and people in big and small ways. We must be found faithful. Jesus could come any time now! And even though I have heard this for decades, I do not grow weary hearing it. This summer follow Jesus! Practice the presence of Jesus as you enjoy the wonders of summer. Let God's creation heal your pain and bring hope in your sorrow. Take time to praise and thank God for His countless blessings. Read a good book this summer. In fact, read the world's number one best selling book- the Bible! So that together, in the power of the Holy Spirit and encouraged by one another, we will go from glory to glory. And until that day when we meet our Lord and Savior, Jesus, continue to love God and love one another as God has loved us! And thanks be to God!

Serving a Risen Savior, Pastor Amy

HAPPY
Father's
DAY





A FAITHFUL FATHER

A father builds relationships
that last throughout the years.

He takes the time to listen
and helps to calm our fears.
A father keeps his faith in our
Savior up above, and his
children find a refuge in
the home he fills with love.

Happy Father's Day!

*As for me and my house,
we will serve the Lord.*

Joshua 24: 15

COMMUNION SUNDAY'S

July 6th & August 3rd

Atonement's Communion offering is now solely dedicated to the Missions Team. Donations can be made using a church envelope, cash donation, and checks made out to Atonement Church with "Communion Fund" on the memo line. This money will be used for outreach in the community, as well as globally.

ATONEMENT'S FINANCIAL

CAMPAIGN began Sunday, April 13 with the Financial Chairperson, Walter Erbenich's announcement. Atonement's finances have been in decline. It is understandable with the present economy and inflation, money is tight for many in our congregation. Yet, by faith and standing on the Word of God, the Finance Team is asking for the 151 "giving units" of Atonement Church to give an additional \$5.00 per week to their regular offering. Also, we will restart the use of Passing the Offering plates during worship, hoping to generate additional giving. In taking these steps, we will generate approximately \$40,000.00 within a year. Walter will be giving updates in the coming months.

Happy Birthday JUNE!

3 - Liz Tryens
10 - Matthew Lang
20 - Benjamin Alexander
22 - Walter Erbenich
27 - James Lang
29 - Logan Hofferth
30 - Betty Pinchin



We want to thank everyone who donated to the Baby Bottle Benefit for Door of Hope. As soon as we know the total we will put it in the newsletter.

I am most grateful to Atonement Church for the memorable Saturday afternoon Tea Party on May 17th. Thank you to everyone who attended and contributed in anyway.

Thank you!

Truly, Room 102 was beautifully transformed with decorations for my retirement party. Best of all, was the love and gratitude that filled the room. Although my retirement is bittersweet, I expect wonderful things for both myself and Atonement Church. My 25 years here at Atonement have been the best of times. Pastor Amy

SPECIAL HOLY DAYS IN JUNE

JUNE 2 - ASCENSION SUNDAY

This is a celebration of Christ Jesus' return to Heaven. Let us remember our Risen Savior on this day.

JUNE 8 - DAY OF PENTECOST

This day changed the world as God sent his Holy Spirit to those who believe in Jesus.

JUNE 15 - FATHER'S DAY

Be sure to bless the men in your lives on this day. Thank God for good and Godly men, especially Dads.

TRINITY SUNDAY

God is our 3 in 1 God: Father God, God's son Jesus, and the Holy Spirit.

PEACE WITH JUSTICE SUNDAY

Please keep in prayer our world that is in great need for peace and justice.

JUNE 19 - JUNETEENTH

This holiday commemorates the end of slavery in America.

CRY FOR HELP The Bishops of the Global Methodist Church are calling for prayer and action for Nigerian Christians. Due to the brutal attack by the Fulani militia, an Islamic extremist group. The Global Methodist Church is inviting congregations and individuals to participate in a special humanitarian offering. You may give by check. Make checks payable to Global Methodist Church, noting Global Methodist Humanitarian Relief Fund. Mail to Global Methodist Church P.O. Box 1360 King George, VA 22485 or online. See the Global Methodist Church website for further information. Let us all be in prayer over this situation.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

It is that time again for donations. Beginning in July we are collecting wide tooth combs, girl's hair accessories, bows, barrettes, etc. Leave donations at the Welcome Center (with Operation Christmas Child labeled).

"BUILDING ON THE VISION OF ATONEMENT CHURCH"

"Connecting the Claymont Community & Beyond to Christ"

Over the years Atonement Methodist Church has been blessed by gifts given through estate planning. During uncertain days like these, we often evaluate what is really important to us in this world. The life and ministries of Atonement Church are very important to the health and welfare of Atonement, as well as the entire community. Your donation through legacy giving will bring honor to the Lord, as well as financial help to Atonement's vision and mission. There are ways for you to contribute directly to the General Operating Budget, the Memorial Fund for Worship, and the Building Fund. Your legacy gift leaves real hope for sustaining the future of Atonement.



LIST OF GRADUATES FOR 2025

Brian Powell - 5th grade graduate
Kyle Kinch - 8th grade graduate
Matthew Lang - 8th grade graduate
Caidence Bishop - 8th grade graduate
Thomas Atkinson - 12th grade graduate
James Lang - 12th grade graduate

BEST WISHES FOR THE FUTURE!!

REBECCA CIRCLE ANNUAL PICNIC

Attention Women of Atonement Methodist Church! - We will be having our Annual Picnic at Debbie Clark's House - Wednesday, June 11 at 5pm. The address is 2 Bell Road, Wilmington, DE 19809. Hamburgers and hot dogs provided, please bring a side dish or dessert. There is a sign up sheet in the Welcome Center. For questions please contact Debbie at 302-650-7920.



KNEEL FOR ISRAEL is one of Atonement's ministries of prayer that is critically important at this time. We need praying persons to sign up! With the Middle East engulfed in wars for over 500 days, now is the time the Jewish nation needs prayer coverage. Pray for God to provide for their dire situations including threats of annihilation. Israeli's need protection and help from loss of life, homes, and everyday necessities. Visit the display in the "red sofa area" to learn more. Ask at the Welcome Center, if you need help.

5TH SUNDAY CELEBRATION

June 29th, 2025 • One Service 10:00am

Special Guest Speaker • Nana Poku

Pastor Nana is the husband of Jessie Poku, who was Pastor Amy's administrative assistant for Hope Community Church. It is our honor to have Pastor Nana and Jessie.

Everyone is invited to bring something to share for fellowship time after the service.

HAPPY 4TH OF JULY HOLIDAY

July 4th is our opportunity to remember God's faithfulness and goodness to the United States of America. Be sure to take a moment in prayer thanking God for His protection and provision for 249 years. We must take time to appreciate our families, faith, and freedom on this day and every day. May America bless God.

LIBRARY BOX - Summer is a great time for reading. The little library box by the bus stop needs book contributions. Please contact the church office if you are interested in helping with this ministry. Bring donations to the church office or the Welcome Center desk.

LITURGIST JUNE 2025

JUNE 1

Traditional Laura Calzone
The Branch Laura Calzone

JUNE 8

Traditional Ellie Kwick
The Branch Pat DeFeo

JUNE 15

Traditional Linda Cobourn
The Branch Laura Calzone

JUNE 22

Traditional Arlene Skotnicki
The Branch TBD

JUNE 29

Traditional Laura Calzone



*A card or phone call to our homebound friends
would certainly brighten their day!*

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ATONEMENT METHODIST CHURCH MISSION STATEMENT

The purpose of Atonement Methodist Church is to grow in the grace and knowledge of Jesus Christ that we will be able to offer to people near and far, by word and deed, the saving love of God in Christ.

As servants of God, we are sent into the community to reveal the love of God and demonstrate words and deeds, that we may be renewed after the image of our Creator. To be able to minister in Christ's name is a gift and a task. The gift is God's grace, the task is unwavering service. We are sent out by Christ to live and work together and to profess our faith to the community in order that they might hear and respond to the word of God.



Atonement Methodist Church

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Church office hours are Tuesday – Thursday 9-3 pm
Worship hours are Sunday 9:00 and 11:00 am
5th Sunday One Service time 10:00 am

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JUNE 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 ASCENSION SUNDAY Worship Service Linda Colbourn Speaker 9am & 11am Sunday School 10:10am	2	3 Prayer Group 9am AA Meeting 7pm	4	5	6 SURGE LOCK-IN 7	7 Prayer Group 9am Pat DeFeo's Bible Study 10:15am AA Meeting 8:30pm
8 PENTECOST SUNDAY Worship Service Ellie Kwick Speaker 9am & 11am Sunday School 10:10am	9	10 Prayer Group 9am AA Meeting 7pm	11 Rebecca's Circle PICNIC 5pm	12	13 SURGE 7 - 9pm	14 Prayer Group 9am Pat DeFeo's Bible Study 10:15am AA Meeting 8:30pm
15 TRINITY SUNDAY FATHER'S DAY Worship Service Laura Calzone Speaker 9am & 11am Sunday School 10:10am	16	17 Prayer Group 9am AA Meeting 7pm	18	19 JUNETEENTH	20 SURGE 7 - 9pm	21 Prayer Group 9am Pat DeFeo's Bible Study 10:15am AA Meeting 8:30pm
22 Worship Service Todd Bezilla Speaker 9am & 11am Sunday School 10:10am	23	24 Prayer Group 9am TRUSTEES MEETING 7pm AA Meeting 7pm	25	26	27 SURGE 7 - 9pm	28 Prayer Group 9am Pat DeFeo's Bible Study 10:15am AA Meeting 8:30pm
29 5th Sunday Worship Service Nana Poku Speaker 10am Sunday School 10:10am	30				SURGE 7 - 9pm	Prayer Group 9am Pat DeFeo's Bible Study 10:15am AA Meeting 8:30pm