

Atonement Newsletter

May 2018

PENTECOST

Recent Pastoral Acts

Deloris Day— April 3rd



Summer Worship Times starting May 13th, 2018

Saturday-5:30pm
Sunday-9:30am
Wednesday-6:30pm



Register Today!!

Vacation Bible School

June 11-14

Morning sessions for ages 3 – grade 6

At Shipwrecked VBS kids will learn that Jesus rescues them. They will leave knowing there is Someone bigger than their struggles, Someone stronger than their weakness, Someone who loves them unconditionally....Jesus! The week will also be full of God Sightings. This is a cooperative ministry with the Churches of St. Peter and St. Paul.

May Ministry of the Month



Central Minnesota Habitat for Humanity (CMHFH) is a non-profit Christian organization that gathers communities to transform lives through affordable homeownership. CMHFH works in partnership with low-income families and community volunteers to build houses, creating decent and affordable shelter.

CMHFH was founded in 1989. In the last 29 years, CMHFH has built or renovated 94 homes, impacting the lives of more than 450 people; 2/3 of whom are children! CMHFH has also touched the lives of families in other countries. CMHFH's tithing program has helped build 97 homes in Costa Rica, Paraguay, El Salvador and Nicaragua. This summer, Atonement will be partnering with CMHFH on the Thrivent Builds project, located at 1838 Clearwater Road, St. Cloud. Volunteer opportunities include working on the construction site (no experience necessary) or providing lunch for Atonement volunteers.

Atonement has been a faithful & generous partner to Habitat for Humanity for many years! Your gifts make it possible for low-income families to purchase a safe & affordable home. What a difference you are making in the lives of these families and their future well-being!



BLESSING OF SUMMER TOYS MAY 5TH, 6TH, & 9TH

Bring your summer toys to worship on Saturday, May 5th, Sunday, May 6th or Wednesday, May 9th so we can pray for God's blessings on them. Almost anything you use for fun goes! Boat keys, life jackets, fishing gear (no hooks or knives), golf clubs, or even your team uniform if you want.

DADS WAFFLES MAY 20TH

After a busy winter and looking forward to the summer, before you run off on those summer adventures let's reconnect with Atonement friends at Dads Waffle Brunch on Sunday, May 20th . All you can eat waffles will be served from 8:30 to 11:30 am in Fellowship Hall and tickets will be sold that morning. \$6 for those 12 and older and \$3 for 6-11. Children 5 and under eat free.

SPIRITUAL NUGGET



If we are to love our neighbors, before doing anything else we must see our neighbors... We must see not just their faces, but the life behind and within their faces. Then it is love that is the frame we see them in.
~ Frederick Buechner



Mark Your Calendar

May 20th

Wear red for Pentecost

June 11th-14th

VBS

July 31st—Aug. 3rd

Day Camp



Attention 12th graders - Scholarship and Senior Sending (Sunday, May 20th) Information

Dear Atonement 12th graders and families of 12th graders: Senior Sending Sunday is approaching! If you/your 12th grader wishes to be included in the quilt presentation on May 20th please notify the office ASAP so we can confirm numbers with the quilters. Applications for the **Atonement Scholarship**, which will be presented at Senior Sending, will be available in the office or by email upon request. **Please know that we want any and every graduating Atonement 12th grader to be recognized and receive a quilt at the Sending on May 20th, even if she or he was not confirmed.**

Weekly Event

Monday

Praise Team Rehearsal - 7 pm

Tuesday

Bible Study - 8:15 am

TOPS Group - 11:30 am

Singing Saints - 7 pm

Wednesday

Men's Bible Study @ Caribou - 7 am

Prayer and Meditation—7:30 am

Quilting - 9 am

Spanish - 5pm

Supper - 5:30 pm

Worship - 6:30 pm

Handbell/Adult Choir Practice - 7pm

Thursday

Men's Bible Study, Library - 10 am

Bible Study, Library - 12 pm

Pieces of Love - 1 pm

Saturday

Worship - 5:30 pm

Sunday

Worship - 9am

Hive Time/GiFT - 10:10 am

Adult Education - 10:10 am

Worship - 11am

Laotian Bible Study - 2:20 pm

May Special Events

1st

Bloodmobile—1:00pm

2nd

New Member Worship—6:30pm

5th

Summer Toy Blessing —6:30pm

Saturday Eve Fellowship—6:30pm

6th

Summer Toy Blessing—10:10am

Last Day of Hive/GiFT

9th

Summer Toy Blessing evening worship—6:30pm

10th

Committee Meeting—7:00pm

13th

Summer Worship times begin—9:30am

17th

Syttende Mai Banquet—5:30pm

19th

Itinerant Pitcher (Cowboy Jacks) - 7:30 pm

Rolston String Quartet Concert—8:00pm

20th

Dads Waffles—8:30am

Pentecost/Senior Sending Worship—9:30am

Backdoor Bakery—9:00am

22nd

Esther/Naomi Circle—1:00pm

Ruth/Martha Circle—7:00pm

23rd

Preschool Graduation—7:30pm

24th

North Jr. High Fundraiser—5:30 pm

Executive Committee Meeting—6:00pm

Council Meeting—7:00pm

27th

Holy Trinity Sunday

AARP Smart Driver Classes

The 4 hour refresher course will be offered at 12:30 pm on May 19th. The cost for AARP members is \$17.00, and non-members \$22.00. This includes materials, coffee, and snacks. *To register, call the church office at 320-252-6203*



Itinerant Pitcher

Saturday, May 19th at 7:30pm

Come join the Itinerant Pitcher regulars at Cowboy Jack's in St. Cloud for fellowship after worship. From 7:30pm until you feel like going home.

Looking for Blood Donors

This is a BIG request for Atonement members to donate blood to the Red Cross Bloodmobile on **May 1st and June 5th from 1:00 pm to 7:00 pm** at Atonement. Just one generous gift of blood can help save several lives. *Call LouAnn Garner at 320-252-1555 for an appointment. Walk-ins are welcome.*



Floral Certificates

Our youth has teamed up with Southway Floral to help raise money for their trip to Houston. The cost of the flower certificates are \$20 dollars and will be able to be purchased between services on Sundays April 15th—May 13th. For every \$20 certificate purchased \$5 will be given back to the youth to help with expenses. These certificates are only valid at Southway Floral and can not be used for fresh cut or floral arrangements. If you have any questions please feel free to contact the office.

BOUNDARY WATERS CANOE AREA TRIP 2018

Atonement is planning a youth and adult BWCA trip for 2018. If you are interested in joining in on this trip please contact Pastor John or Steve

Grzybowski with any questions. Space is limited for this trip but we have openings.

