



BIG BETHEL

African Methodist Episcopal Church

The Reverend Dr. Jonathan C. Augustine
Senior Pastor

Proposed Church Calander (2026-27)

July 2026 – Youth Emphasis Month

Thursday, July 2 – Love Feast 6:30PM in person

Sunday, July 5—Communion Sunday/Black America @ 250

Sunday, July 12 – (baptism) – 3 youth

- Graduate Recognition Reception after worship service – FH

Friday, July 17 – John Lewis Celebration 7PM

Saturday, July 18 – John Lewis Celebration 10AM-1PM

Saturday, July 18 – NAD Planning Meeting (virtual) – 9:30AM

Sunday, July 19 – (baptism) – 3 babies

Friday, July 24 – YPD Lock-in Overnight (Fellowship Hall)

Sunday, July 26 – Youth Emphasis Day – Lic. Nathaniel Lolley, Speaker

Monday, July 27 – Virtual Church Conference 6:30PM via Zoom

Tuesday, July 28 – 1st Quarterly Conference: Presiding Elder McMichael – 7:30pm

Thursday, July 30 – Love Feast 6:30PM in person

August 2026

Sunday, Aug 2 – Communion Sunday

Saturday, Aug 8 – Back to School Bash – 11AM-3PM

August 2026 (continued)

Sunday, Aug 9 – Back to School Sunday and Prayer Summit

- Special Guests: 100 Black Men of Atlanta, Inc.; 100 Black Men of DeKalb County, Inc.; 100 Black Men of South Metro Atlanta, Inc.; The Magnolia Chapter of The Links, Incorporated; and the National Executive Board of The Links, Incorporated. (Big Bethel's Missionaries)

Tuesday, Aug. 11 – Leading Lady Michelle's Birthday

**Fri/Sat, Aug. 14 & 15 – North Atlanta District Church School Convention
(Turner Chapel AME Church, Marietta, GA)**

Sunday, Aug 16 – **(OPEN)**

Saturday, Aug. 21 – Beauty Shop Talk/Lady Michelle Augustine's birthday

**Saturday, Aug. 22: "Voting Rights & Social Justice" Prayer Breakfast
10AM-12Noon: Keynote Speaker: Damon T. Hewitt, President & Executive
Director, Lawyers Committee for Civil Rights Under Law**

**Sunday, Aug 23 – Social Justice Sunday (Pastor Jay Augustine Preacher @ 10AM)
– Bishop William J. Barber II (Special community worship: Time TBD)
– ARC Blood Drive - 9AM-2PM**

Sunday, Aug 30 – **(OPEN)**

September 2026

Thursday, Sept 3 – Love Feast 6:30PM in person

Sunday, Sept 6 – Communion Sunday

**Sunday, Sept 13 – Grandparents Day
Impact Sunday (Voter Registration/Community Outreach/Food)**

**Sunday, Sept 20 – Family & Friends Day: Color Wars for Christ
(Bishop Adam J. Richardson (R) Preacher)**

Sunday, Sept 27 – Church Anniversary Kickoff Sunday with Tailgate

October 2026—Breast Cancer Awareness/DV Awareness

Thursday, October 1 – Love Feast 6:30PM in person

Sunday, Oct 4 – Communion Sunday

October 2026 (continued)

**Sunday, Oct 11 – Church Anniversary Week Kickoff (#PinkOut Sunday)
(Bishop John R. Bryant (R), Preacher)**

Tuesday, Oct. 13 - TBD

Wednesday, Oct. 14 – TBD

**Sunday, Oct 18 – Big Bethel AME Church's 179th Anniversary Celebration
(Bishop Jeffrey N. Leath, Preacher)**

Sunday, Oct 25 – Early Voting (Special Guest for Rally/Worship)

Thursday, October 29 – Love Feast 6:30PM

November 2026

Sunday, Nov 1 – Communion Sunday

Tuesday, Nov. 3 – Election Day

Mon-Fri, Nov 2-7 – Heaven Bound Rehearsals

Fri/Sat, Nov 6 and 7 - Heaven Bound Performance 7pm-9pm

Sunday, Nov 8 – Pastor Jay's birthday and Veteran's Day Observance

Saturday, Nov. 14 – St Catherine's Episcopal Church visits for history lesson on
Sweet Auburn tour

**Sunday, Nov 15 – #ReconciliationSunday
(Special guests: St Catherine's Episcopal Church)**

Sunday, Nov 22 – Thanksgiving Worship and Post-Worship Fellowship/Meal

Thursday, Nov. 26 – Thanksgiving Day

Sunday, Nov 29 – First Sunday of Advent

December 2026

Thursday, Dec 3 – Love Feast 6:30PM

- LIM Underserved Event 9AM-10:30AM – Marvin Fleming

Sunday, Dec 6 – Communion Sunday (2nd Sunday of Advent)

Sunday, Dec 13 – 3rd Sunday of Advent

**Sunday, Dec 20 – 4th Sunday of Advent
“Come on Home for Christmas” Concert @ 5PM**

December 2026 (continued)

Friday, Dec. 25 – Christmas Day

Sunday, Dec 27 – Christmas Sunday after Advent

Thursday, Dec. 31 – Love Feast 6:30PM

– Watchnight Worship/Fellowship & Food (Time: TBD)

January 2027

Sunday, January 3 – First Sunday of the New Year—Communion Sunday (Feast of the Epiphany) Presiding Elder Kimberly McMichael, preacher

Sunday, January 10 – (OPEN)

Sunday, January 17 – Martin Luther King, Jr. Sunday

Sunday, January 24 – (OPEN)

Sunday, January 31 – Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. Alpha Phi Chapter Centennial Celebration (Worship and Reception in Bishops Hall)

February 2027 (Black History Month -BHM)

Thursday, February 4 – Love Feast 6:30PM

Sunday, February 7 – BHM Kickoff and Communion Sunday

Sunday, February 14 – Richard Allen's Birthday/AME Sunday

Sunday, February 21 – HBCU Sunday

Friday, February 26 – Metro ATL Civitan Club 9AM

Sunday, February 28 – Heritage Sunday (African Attire)

March 2027 (Women's History Month – WHM)

Thursday, March 4 – Love Feast 6:30PM

Sunday, March 7 – WHM Kickoff and Communion Sunday

Sunday, March 14 – WHM Prayer Summit

Sunday, March 21 – Morris Brown Sunday/Palm Sunday

(Good) Friday, March 26—Pastor Jay Preaching at Ebenezer Baptist Church's 7 Last Sayings @ 12noon

Sunday, March 28 – Resurrection Sunday Worship (Bishop Mitchell Preaching)

April 2027

Thursday, April 1 – Love Feast 6:30PM

Sunday, April 4 – Communion Sunday

Sunday, April 11 – **(OPEN)**

Wednesday, April 14 – Morris Brown Honors Convocation 11AM

Sunday, April 18 – Environmental Justice Sunday

Thursday, April 22 – Earth Day 2027

Sunday, April 25 Pastor's Appreciation Sunday

May 2027

Sunday, May 2 – Communion Sunday

Sunday, May 9 – Mother's Day

Sunday, May 16 – Big Bethel's 10AM & 2PM Worship Services **(OPEN)
– 153rd Session of the Atlanta North Georgia Conference CDMC
Celebration-4PM**

Wednesday, May 19 – 153rd Session of the ANGC – WMS Day

Thursday, May 20 – Opening Day of the 153rd Session of the ANGC

Friday, May 21 – 153rd Session of the ANGC

Saturday, May 22 – 153rd Session of the ANGC – YPD/RAYAC Annual Day

Sunday, May 23 – First Sunday after Annual Conference

Friday, May 28 – Pastor Jay and Lady Michelle's Wedding Anniversary

Sunday, May 30 – Memorial Day-themed Worship

Recurring Meetings

Tuesdays – Staff meetings at 10:30AM weekly

- Ministerial Staff Meeting 5:30PM – Tuesday before 1st Sunday
- Steward Board Meeting 6:30PM – 1st Tuesday of Month
- Trustee Board Meetings 6:30PM – 2nd Tuesday of Month
- Commission on Stewardship & Finance Meetings 6:30PM – 3rd Tuesday of Month

Tuesdays – Choir Rehearsal at 6:30PM

Wednesdays – Bible Study at 12:30PM, 6PM, 7PM

Saturdays – Choir Rehearsal at 10AM

Sundays – Social Action Brunch every 1st Sunday; BBV in person on 1st Sundays