



June 2025

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THE MESSENGER

[From Our Pastor: What Does the Holy Spirit Do?]

We celebrate the Church's birthday in June on Pentecost Sunday, remembering when Jesus sent the Holy Spirit to his apostles in Acts, chapter 2. The arrival of the Holy Spirit kickstarted the expansion of the Church throughout the world; but what does the Bible say that the Holy Spirit does today?

The work of the Holy Spirit is to reveal God's active presence among us, and to bring about God's abundant blessings. There are four ways the Spirit does this.

First, **the Holy Spirit empowers**. He gives us life (John 6:63). He gives us energy and direction for service (Luke 4:14; Acts 1:8). He gives us spiritual gifts for doing ministry (1 Corinthians 12:11). Second, **the Holy Spirit purifies**. He cleanses us from sin and makes us holy (1 Corinthians 6:11). He brings forth the fruit of the spirit in our lives (Galatians 5:22-23). Third, **the Holy Spirit reveals**. He directed what to put into scripture (2 Peter 1:21). He informs us that we are God's children (Galatians 4:6). He guides and leads us (Acts 15:28; Romans 8:14). He shares God's attributes with us (Romans 14:17). He assures that God is with us (1 John 3:24; 4:13). He teaches us about God's unique truth (John 14:26). Finally, **the Holy Spirit unifies**. He creates a community of faith (2 Corinthians 13:14). His work is for the common good of all believers (1 Corinthians 12:7).

These activities are not to be taken for granted. They appear in our lives stronger or weaker depending on our faith and obedience, or our unbelief and rebellion. If our lives and conduct are pleasing to God, the Holy Spirit will be present to bring great blessing. Consequently, it is important that all our ministry be done *in the Holy Spirit* (Romans 8:4-6, 12-16; Galatians 5:16-26).

We should never be afraid of the Holy Spirit. Saint John Chrysostom writes: "The Spirit comes gently and makes himself known by his fragrance. He is not felt as a burden, for he is light, very light. Rays of light and knowledge stream before him as he approaches. The Spirit comes with the tenderness of a true friend and protector." (*Homilies on the Gospel of John*)

In Christ,
Pastor Charles



CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES!!!

On June 1st Mohawk Church celebrated our graduates:



Shiloh McFarland:

Shiloh McFarland is the daughter of Rick and Audra McFarland, and the granddaughter of Connie and Ben Wilson. Shiloh graduated Summa Cum Laude from Taylor University this year majoring in Education. She plans to teach History at Mt. Vernon Middle School where she has secured a position as a History teacher. Congratulations Shiloh!



Jaksen Cain:

Jaksen is the son of Greg and Melissa Cain, and the grandson of Donna and Tim Cain. Jaksen graduated from New Palestine High School this year. He is a ten-year 4-H member. Jaksen plans to complete an extensive internship with Keystone Co-Op for one and a half to two years focusing on all aspects of Agriculture. After the internship, Jaksen plans to work at Keystone Co-Op to continue his love of agriculture. Congratulations Jaksen!



COMING TO MOHAWK UMC



FRYE FAMILY BAND
This Is Your Victory Tour
With special guest
LIGHTHOUSE

Family Festival Day at Mohawk UMC
2045 W. 400 N. Greenfield, IN
Saturday, July 26th
Lighthouse takes the stage at 4:00 follow by The Frye Family Band at 6:30
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When:
July 26th

Time:
Lighthouse 4:00pm

The Frye Family Band 6:30 pm

Activities:
Upbeat & Uplifting Music,
bounce houses, games, vendors,
merchandise, and ministry tables.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

THERE WILL BE A VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL PLANNING MEETING
JUNE 11TH AT 5:30PM



Come meet
Racer Ron
and his
Go Go Car
as he joins Scout
and his friends
on a Road Trip
and learns what
it is like to be
on the go with God.

Join us for VBS 2025!
July 14th - July 18th
5:30pm-8:00pm
Pre-K thru 6th grade

Mohawk UMC
2045 W 400 N
Greenfield, IN 46140

To Register:
Scan QR or Visit

Vacation Bible School will be the week of:
July 14th -18th from 5:30-8:00pm.

The VBS theme is Road Trip.

*If you have a car or truck that you would like to show off, we would love for you to come on Friday night (July 18) to celebrate with us.
There will be awards for fan favorites!

ANY VOLUNTEERS?



We have a lot of places where we need people to help out. We need communion servers, liturgists, song leaders, Children's Church leaders, greeters, and people to run the slideshow and livestream. Thank you so much for considering a position to serve in worship. Your help is really appreciated. You can sign up in the Fellowship hall or on SignUp Genius [Mohawk United Methodist Church: MUMC Worship Opportunities To Serve \(signupgenius.com\)](https://www.signupgenius.com)

AS CHRISTIAN STEWARDS, WE SEE OUR WHOLE LIVES AS AN OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE CHRIST. EVERY DECISION, POSITION, AND ACTIVITY IS A PART OF STEWARDSHIP.

“Now it is required that those who have been given a trust must prove faithful.”
(1 Corinthians 4:2)



Church at the Fair



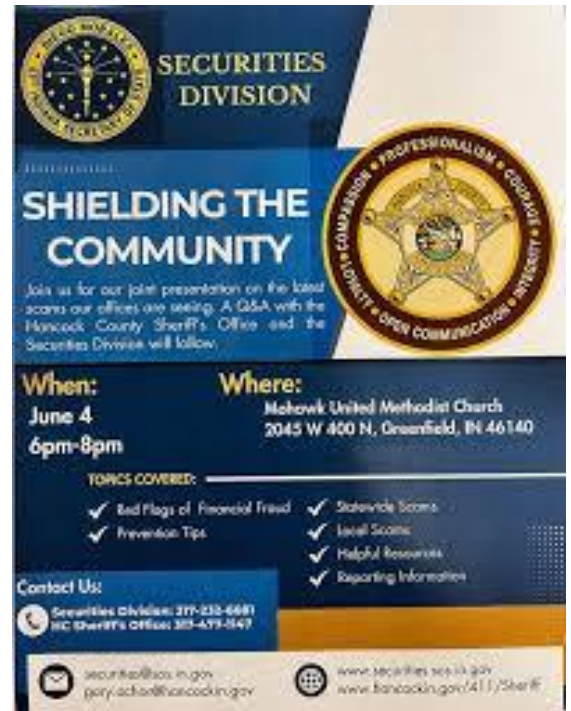
June 22, 2025

9:30am



SHIELDING THE COMMUNITY

The Hancock County Extension Homemakers are hosting a presentation in the Fellowship Hall on June 4, 2025 from 6-8pm. with the Hancock County Sheriff's Office and the Securities Division on the latest scams our community is experiencing. Some of the topics that will be covered are: Red Flags of Financial Fraud, Prevention Tips, Statewide Scams, Local Scams, Helpful Resources, and Reporting Information. There will be a question-and-answer time with the Hancock County Sheriff's Office and the Securities Division following the presentation.



Birthdays & Anniversaries

4th Leslie Dalton
5th Mike Stanley
5th Dean Thompson
6th Rhonda Beeker
11th Chris Gray
18th Taran Pelc



19th Micah Pelc
20th Jacob Gray
23rd Diana Hartzog
25th Sam Bricker
27th Sandy Plank

NOTE: If you notice any birthday or anniversary dates missing, please contact us in the office. mohawkumc@gmail.com

June

5th Jim and Amy Lovins
9th Kerry and Lynne O'Brien
13th Jeff & Michelle Bricker
14th DeWayne & Kelly Paugh



PENTECOST SUNDAY JUNE 8th

**BE SURE TO WEAR YOUR RED
WHEN YOU COME TO
WORSHIP AT 9am!**



FINANCE COMMITTEE NEWS

Mohawk United Methodist Church Finances

	2025					2024
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	Year to Date	Year to Date
Income:						
General Offering	12,694	8,906	11,153	12,672	45,425	49,728
Other	207	332	2,213	1,482	4,235	9,672
Total Income	12,901	9,238	13,366	14,154	49,660	59,400
Expenses:						
Tithe	-	-	-	-	-	4,555
Utilities	2,653	1,503	912	774	5,843	5,348
Other	2,920	2,438	638	8,119	14,115	10,052
Wages	8,350	8,146	12,128	8,355	36,979	42,391
Total Expenses	13,923	12,088	13,678	17,248	56,937	62,346
Net Income (Loss)	(1,022)	(2,850)	(312)	(3,093)	(7,277)	(2,946)

Budget Comparison

General Offering Budget	16,807	16,807	16,807	16,807	67,228	65,940
Over (Short)	(4,113)	(7,901)	(5,654)	(4,135)	(21,803)	(16,212)

Non General Fund Restricted Donations

1,240	120	-		1,360	-
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