



Parish Office Hours: Monday – Thursday 8:30am -1:30pm (Office #786-3202)

MAYVILLE LUTHERAN CHURCH'S Sundays 10:30am/GRAN Wednesdays at 6:45pm

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Our Upcoming 2026 Seniors



Lauren Soine-MLC

Corbin Schreiner-MLC

Kalista Schark-MLC

Tegan Domier-MLC

Sofie Hofer-Gran

Broden Huard-MLC



Mayville Lutheran -Gran Church Joint Council Meeting Minutes: May 7th, 2025

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| Pastor Martin Avery: Present | Jessica Bergerson Treasurer: Present |
| Tami Parker, President; Present | Kara Schreiner, Secretary: Present |
| Richelle Mewes, Vice President; Present | Travis Kraft; Present |
| Tresta Kunkel; Present | Rae Nygord; Present |

Call to order by President Tami Parker @ 5:33pm

Opening prayer by Pastor Marin Avery

Approval of April Council Meeting minutes

- Richelle M made motion to approve Aprils Council Meeting minutes
- Tresta K made 2nd motion to approve April's Council Meeting minutes

Additions to the agenda

- New permanent fence Tiny Town

Treasurer's Report presented by Treasurer Jessica B.

- Jessica can now view all accounts
- \$ found in an account
- Window project price match was matched
- Thank You from Susan C for Mission of the Month
- Lunch coverage at MPCG was also Mission of the Month
- June and July Mission of the Month will be ECLA

Pastor's Report presented by Pastor Martin Avery

- 6 office visits
 - Coffee visits
- 2 home visits
 - Communion with family of 6
- 4 visits at Nursing home and assisted living
- Prayer service and funeral for Bill Bohnsack will be on May 9th and 10th
- 1st Communion was April 17th
- 0 Baptism
- Worship had a good turnout for Holy Week services; Pastor would like to see more attendance for Mayville at Gran and Gran at Mayville
- Bible study will be on the book of Ruth, soon.



New Business

Rally Sunday in September

- Advertising?
- Cotton Candy and Balloons: Tami will talk to K.R. and Ernie S.
- Bouncy Houses?
- Date will be September 14, 2025

Gran and LHM:

- Make sure churches support each other at each's other's events

Fall Community Meal:

- Mayville State Students
- Burgers, hot dogs, chips
- Community engagement speaker
 - Hunter Pinkie
 - Richelle will each out

- DTB

Summer schedule

- Pastor will open the church @ 10:00 AM
- 2 people possible for counting offering
 - Could we count the offering on Monday?

Ideas to combat low numbers in Sunday School towards the end of the year

- Discussion using the Heja app
 - Parents would be able to respond for attendance
- Maybe send home a song book so to see if we can change things up
 - QR Code?

Fencing at Tiny Town

- Mandi willing to pay for permanent fence
- Kara will be looking into Childcare Licensing regulations
 - Kara will update the council
- When Kara finds out regulations then Mandi will need to follow the regulations
 - Richelle made a motion to approve Mandi from Tiny Town to pay for the new fencing to meet Childcare Licensing regulations
 - Rae made 2nd motion to approve Mandi from Tiny Town to pay for the new fencing to meet Childcare Licensing regulations
 - All agree with the motion

Old Business

Committees:

- Audit committee: Roger and Jay
- Worship and music: Nothing else
- Executive Committee: Nothing else
- JAM
 - Nothing planned right now
 - Kids loved the lock in
 - Communication with Mandi having Jam events
 - Maybe have something at the end of the school year
 - Movie night this summer
 - Maybe the pool
 - Maybe a younger JAM for the younger kids
 - Outdoor movie?
- Surveys
 - Keep handing out
 - Reports are it is going ok
 - Getting them back but still a work in progress
 - Richelle will email survey out
- Increasing membership collaboration
 - Keep working on surveys
 - Speaker ideas
 - Events like meeting your council, suppers
- DOG committee
 - Clean up week will be happening soon
 - Let the committee know if you think of an area that needs to be tidy up
 - Basketball hoop spoke for
- Outdoor sump pump
 - Chad H replaced and it's working
 - Invoice was received
- Conformation picture display updated
 - Approved at last meeting
- Update on MLC improvement plan; how are we doing?
- Tiny Town space boundaries, updated contract
 - Richelle will meet with Mandi



- Outdoor camera
 - Approved via text on 4/29/2025
 - Ordered through Ben Iverson with a total of \$545.00
- Update on stain glass windows
 - Update will be sent via text

Next Meeting:

- TBD via text for June and July

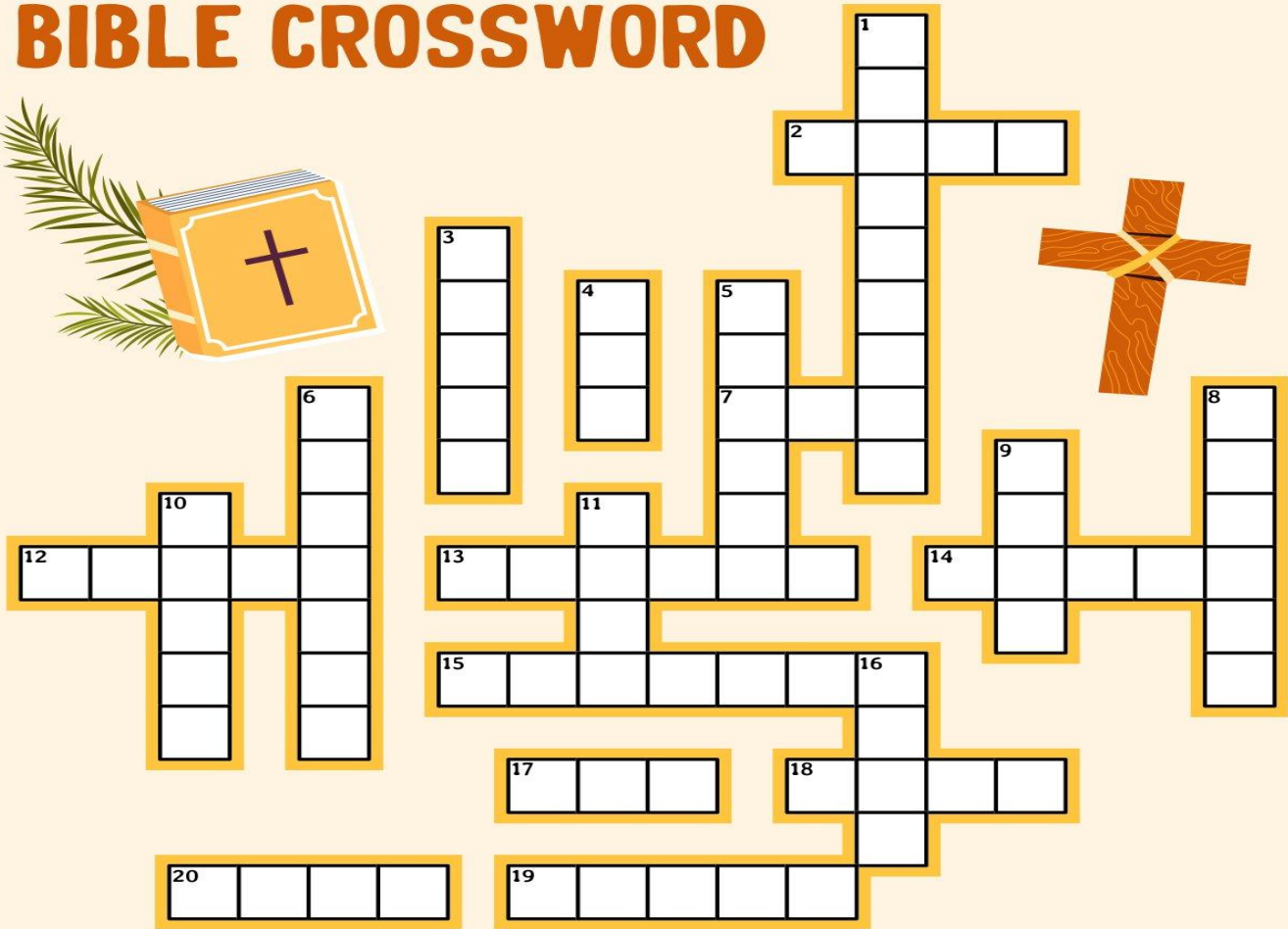
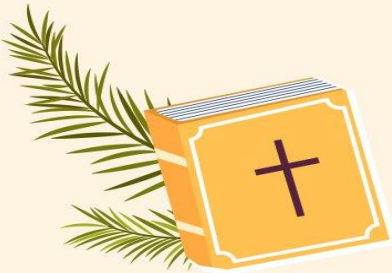
Meeting adjourned at 6:31PM

Kara Schreiner



Mayville Lutheran Church Council Secretary

BIBLE CROSSWORD



Across

- This led the wise men to baby Jesus
- The first woman
- The queen of what country came to see Solomon
- What is it called when we talk to God?
- Who wrote the 23rd Psalm?
- Wisest man in the world
- God created the world in how many days?
- Two ladies argued about this
- Who parted the Red Sea?
- What kind of bird did Noah send out of the ark to see if the land was dry?

Down

- The town Jesus was born in
- Long sharp weapon
- Who created everything?
- How many disciples did Jesus have?
- Who was the first Jew?
- What Solomon asked God for
- The first man
- Who is a descendant of Abraham and King David, and is the Savior of the world?
- The first king of Israel who died in battle with his son, Jonathon
- He built the ark

Word Bank

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|-------|---------|-----------|--------|-------|---------|------|
| Dove | Star | Bethlehem | Twelve | Adam | Wisdom | Saul |
| David | Prayer | Sheba | Jesus | Moses | Noah | Baby |
| Sword | Abraham | Six | God | Eve | Solomon | |



The Meals on Wheels program provides one hot, nutritious meal per day for those ages 60 and older who are home-bound and meet eligibility standards. Volunteers deliver meals Monday through Friday throughout the counties we serve. It usually takes less than an hour to deliver meals! It's great to do it as a family or by oneself as it is very rewarding! Must be at the Mayville Senior Center by 11:15am

August 18th –
August 22nd

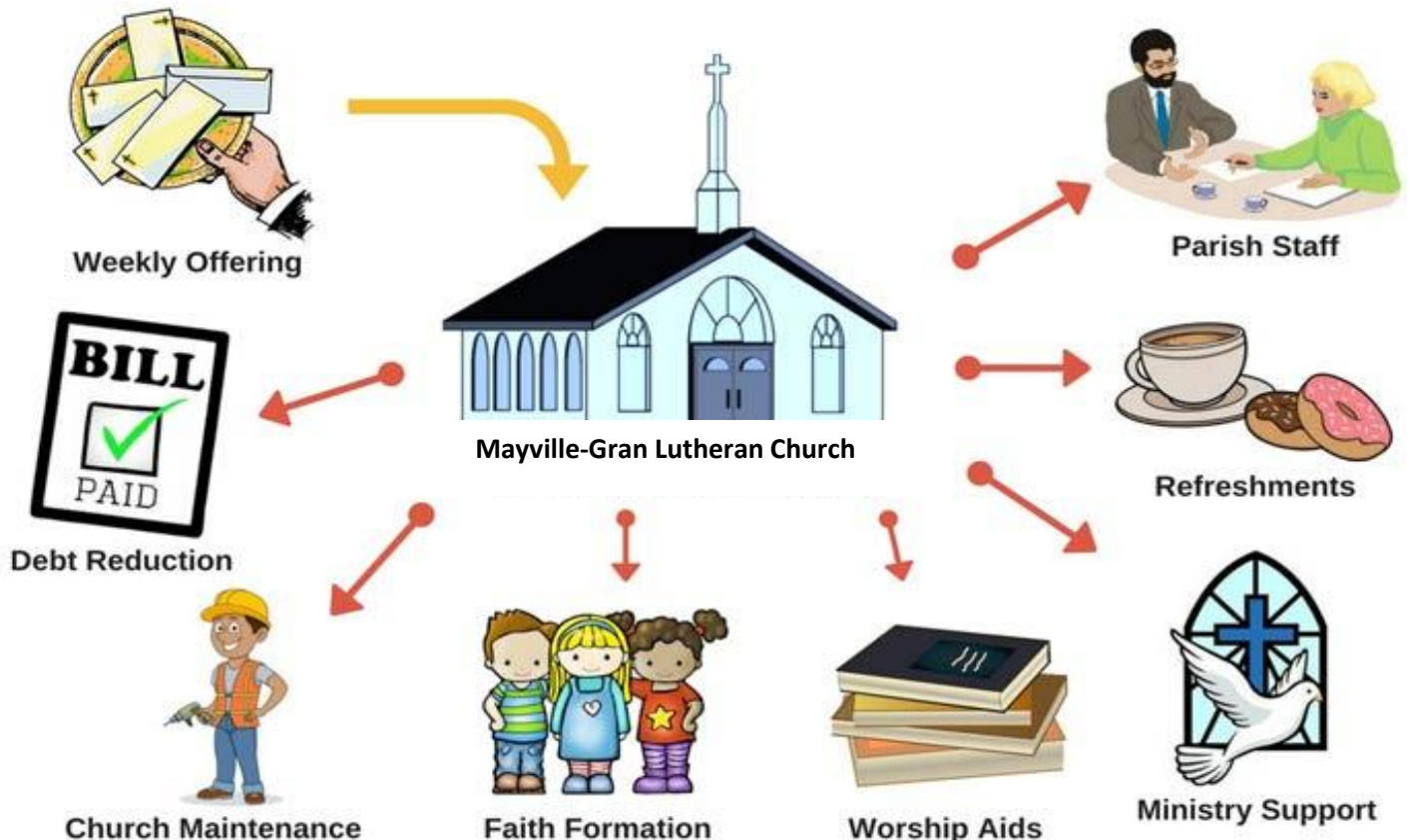
Volunteer Needed

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September 29th –
October 3rd

Volunteer Needed

Where Does My Sunday Offering Go?



AUTHORIZATION FORM

Organization Name: **Mayville or Gran Lutheran Church**

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|---|---|------------------|
| Customer Id # | | DATE |
| Effective date of authorization: ____/____/____ | | |
| Type of authorization: <input type="checkbox"/> New authorization <input type="checkbox"/> Change payment amount <input type="checkbox"/> Change payment date <input type="checkbox"/> Change banking information <input type="checkbox"/> Discontinue electronic payment | | |
| Last Name | First Name | |
| Address | | |
| City | State | Zip |
| Email Address | | |
| Payment Frequency: <input type="checkbox"/> one-time <input type="checkbox"/> Recurring (select one)- <input type="checkbox"/> Weekly <input type="checkbox"/> Monthly <input type="checkbox"/> Annual <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ | | |
| Date of one time payment: ____/____/____ Amount : \$ _____ | | |
| Date of first payment: ____/____/____ Amount of recurring payment: \$ _____ | | |
| CHECKING / SAVINGS | Please debit payment from my (check one): <input type="checkbox"/> Savings Account (contact your financial institution for Routing #) <input type="checkbox"/> Checking Account (staple a voided check below) | |
| | Routing Number: _____ Valid Routing # must start with 0, 1, 2, or 3 Account Number: _____ <div style="text-align: center; margin-top: 10px;"> </div> | |
| I authorize the above organization to process debit entries to my account. I understand that this authority will remain in effect until I provide reasonable notification to terminate the authorization. | | |
| Authorized Signature: _____ Date: _____ | | |
| CREDIT/DEBIT CARD | Please charge my payment to my (check one): <input type="checkbox"/> Visa <input type="checkbox"/> MasterCard <input type="checkbox"/> American Express <input type="checkbox"/> Discover Card | |
| | Credit Card Number: | Expiration Date: |
| | Name on Card: | |
| | Billing Address (if different from above): | |
| | I authorize the above organization to charge my credit card in accordance with the information above. | |
| Signature (as it appears on the credit card): _____ Date: _____ | | |

If using a checking account, please attach a voided check over the credit card section! Drop it off at Richelle's office!



“For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.”

Greetings:

Soon the church season will be in full swing. Ideas are coming together nicely for our Rally Sunday plans. We already have members making plans to volunteer and make this Rally Sunday something special. Rally Sunday will take place with both Gran and Mayville Lutheran Churches on September 14th. Jesus and Me (JAM) will be kicking off with their first activity taking place in August. Details are being worked out. Watch for updates to come.

The quote from Luke urges us to open up to the idea of abundance with faith that “...it is [our] Father’s good pleasure to give [us] the kingdom. Luke reminds us to reflect on our treasure. This is a great exercise for us as individuals and the church. Where are our hearts being led?

Treasure doesn’t have to be thought of only as our finances. Our time and energy are to be treasured as well. We will be expanding opportunities to serve others this fall for youth and adults.

We’ll finish the month of August with Jesus curing a woman who couldn’t stand up straight for 18 years. When she approached Jesus, he saw her and made it possible for her to straighten her back. Her dignity mattered to Jesus.

This matters to Jesus enough that he is willing to be in conflict with a local religious leader who was concerned that the time isn’t right to allow someone bent over to stand up straight, especially on the Sabbath. Well, it had been 18 years and nothing had been done to help her on any other day either.

Dignity is another thing that we treasure. Longing for our dignity and that of our neighbor’s is not a bad place to find our hearts.

Peace and grace,

Pastor Martin





From the Janitors Closet By David Moeller

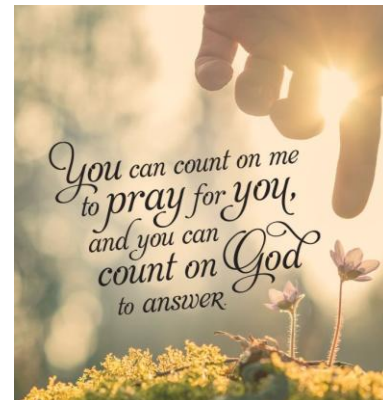
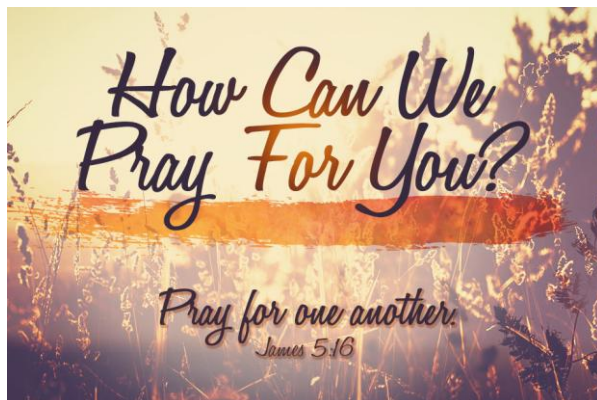
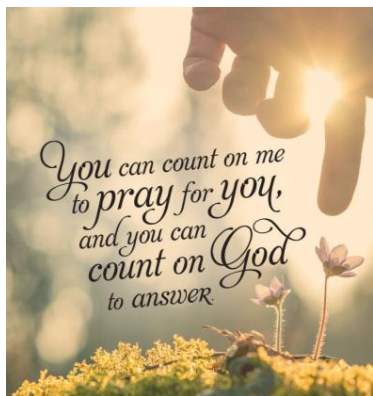


Prayer

The end to prayer is more than an answer from God to a specific request. The end of prayer is a dialogue between ourselves and God Almighty. Prayer is a relationship with God Himself. Prayer is a personal contact with God. Prayer is a constant dialogue with the Holy Spirit of God in our hearts.

Prayer is like our dry river beds being filled with much needed rain. Prayer is the means by which we receive the strength from God Himself to live our life. Prayer is the means by which we communicate with the One who gives the water of life, the living water which restores, refreshes, and renews our entire being.

In one of the "Peanuts" comic strips, Charlie Brown is kneeling in prayer by his bed. The caption says, "Security is knowing you are not alone." You are never alone! So, keep on praying!! If you don't know what to pray, you can't go wrong with praying the Lord's Prayer.



Philippians 4:6-7

Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

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Email: Maygranlutheranoffice@gmail.com

We are there for you!

BIBLE VERSES

ABOUT

KINDNESS

Acts 20:35
1 Peter 3:8-9
Matthew 5:7
1 John 3:18
Romans 12:15
1 Peter 3:8-9
Zachariah 7:10
Ephesians 2:7
.Psalm 112:5
Leviticus 19:34
Micah 6:8
.Matthew 5:24
1 Chronicles 19:2
Galatians 6:9-10
Galatians 5:13
1 Samuel 20:14
Luke 6:31
Proverbs 12:25
Psalm 31:21
.Acts 28:2

2 Samuel 9:7
Colossians 3:12-13
Proverbs 21:21
Proverbs 16:23-24
Jeremiah 9:24
Corinthians 13:4-7
Proverbs 11:17
.Proverbs 14:21
Ephesians 4:32
Matthew 7:21
Romans 11:22
Luke 6:35
Galatians 6:1
Hebrews 13:2
Galatians 5:22-23
Proverbs 19:22
Romans 12:10
Proverbs 31:18
Proverbs 19:17

Baptism at Gran

Caden Andrew Barnett

Ava Marilyn Bahnmiller



I AM A
CHILD
OF
GOD



**Baptism at Gran
The Matthew Sisters
Harper, Harlee & Hadley**



God is
With her
She will not
fall

PSALM 16:5

May 28th 2025



VOLUNTEER!
every hour makes a
DIFFERENCE



**Two New ways to GIVE
OFFERING at MLC!!!**

1. Scan the QR Code
2. TEXT to GIVE

Your Offering is Tax Deductible!

TEXT
701-490-9737
"GIVE"

Then the: AMOUNT

(first time you'll have to set up)
After that offering is just a text away)



Thank you for helping us to reach out to our community through the broadcast of Sunday Morning Worship Service. Because of your sponsorship we are able to do this very important ministry.

Every morning at 10:30am we broadcast worship on the Radio (KMAV 105.5) and on cable TV (Midcontinent).

The cost of sponsorship is **\$60.00** for the Radio and **\$40.00** for the TV.



We have many opportunities available every month!
Recognize Birthdays, Anniversaries, Baptisms, Graduations, Confirmation in memory of, in honor of, or just because!

Thank you very much for touching people's lives with God's Word and for keeping in contact with those who are unable to attend with us every Sunday!



Sign-up sheets are in the Son Room!

WHY SERVE IN THE CHURCH

JOHN 13:1-17



Ways to Serve

Serve at the Church
Serve in the Community
Serve throughout the World



Serving Teams Needs for August 2025 **HELP NEEDED!**

| Date | Greeters and Ushers | Lectors |
|-------------------------|---------------------|---------|
| August 3 rd | | |
| August 10 th | | |
| August 17 th | | |
| August 24 th | | |
| August 31 st | | |

Communion Sunday in August 2025

August 17th 2025

Set Up Communion:

Distribute Communion:

MISSION
of the
MONTH

**School Supplies
for Trail
County
Children**





| Sunday | Mon | Tue | Wed. | Thurs | Fri | Sat |
|--|---|--|--|-----------|------------------------------------|-----------|
| 27 10:30am MLC Worship | 28 | 29 11:00am Staff Meeting | 30 6:45pm Gran Worship David Preaching | 31 | 1 | 2 |
| Pastor is on Vacation----- | | | | | | |
| 3 10:30am MLC Worship David Preaching | 4 | 5 11:00am Staff Meeting Pastor is Back | 6 6:45pm Gran Worship | 7 | 8 David Preaching at LMH | 9 |
| 10 10:30am MLC Worship | 11 | 12 11:00am Staff Meeting | 13 6:45pm Gran Worship | 14 | 15 | 16 |
| 17 COMMUNION SUNDAY 10:30am MLC Worship | 18 | 19 11:00am Staff Meeting | 20 Communion Gran Worship in the Park @5:30pm School Starts at MPCG | 21 | 22 | 23 |
| 24 10:30am MLC Worship | 25 Deadline for <u>"The Branches"</u> | 26 11:00am Staff Meeting | 27 6:45pm Gran Worship | 28 | 29 | 30 |
| 31 10:30am MLC Worship David Preaching | 1 | 2 11:00am Staff Meeting | 3 6:45pm Gran Worship LAST ONE! David Preaching | 4 | 5 | 6 |
| Pastor is on Vacation----- | | | | | | |

Volunteer With Us!



There are many ways that volunteers can get involved at HIA Hospice. We have a volunteer role to fit everyone's talents and time available.



Patient Care

Assist our patients and their families by providing companionship. This may include reading, visiting, helping with errands, light housekeeping or other one-on-one activities.



Respite Care

Relieve caregivers for short periods of time so they may take a break.



Pathway

Be present at the bedside of a hospice patient who is actively dying.



Office

Greet visitors and assist with filing, data entry, mailings and other clerical duties.



Courier

Pick up and deliver supplies and medications to hospice patients.



Veteran

Provide Vet-to-Vet companionship visits and assist with Veteran Pinning Ceremonies.



Celebration Bears

Sew bears made from a hospice patient's clothing for loved ones to have as a keepsake.



Special Events

Assist with fundraising events and host booths at health and wellness fairs.



HIA Heirlooms

Work at our resale store helping with sorting items, merchandising or working the cash register.



Floral

Help assemble donated flowers into individual vases for patients and families at HIA Heather's House.



Special Roles

Do you have a special talent or skill? We are always looking for individuals with special talents such as hairstylists, pet therapists and massage therapists to provide additional comfort and care to our patients.

Whatever your skills and interests, we have a volunteer role for you. Get started by contacting one of our volunteer coordinators at **(800) 237-4629**, send us a message or fill out our online application.



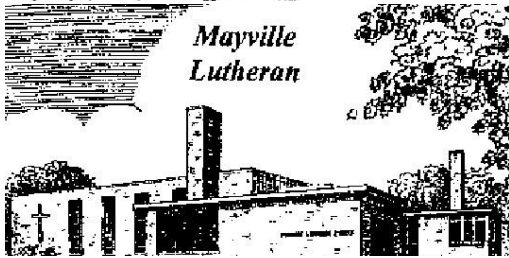
For more information, call (800) 237-4629 or scan the QR code.
hiahealth.org/get-involved/volunteer

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THE BRANCHES NEWSLETTER

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A prayer for you

May you be happy.

May you stay healthy.

May you feel safe.

May you find comfort.

May you sense peace.

May you give love.

May you possess courage.

May you have faith.

May you spread joy.

