

MAYVILLE LUTHERAN CHURCH  
— AND —  
GRAN LUTHERAN CHURCH

# The Branches

A MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF FAITH, SERVICE & COMMUNITY

JUNE & JULY 2026

I am  
the vine;  
you are  
the branches.

If you remain in me  
and I in you,  
you will bear much fruit.

JOHN 15:5

*Richelle's*  
Office Hours:

**NEW SUMMER HOURS!**

Monday – Wednesday

8:00am -3:00pm

(Office #786-3202)

MAYVILLE LUTHERAN  
CHURCH'S

Sundays at 10:30am

GRAN

Sundays at 6:45pm



\*Broadcasted live  
every Sunday!



\*\*Watch us live on  
MIDCO Channel 3



\*\*\*Listen to us live  
KMAV Radio  
105.5 FM



\*\*\*\*Watch us live  
or any time on  
Facebook live  
@ Mayville-Gran  
Lutheran



WORSHIP



LOVE



SERVE



GROW



TOGETHER

Rooted in Christ. Growing in Faith. Reaching Out in Love.

# Congratulations

TO OUR

## Mayville-Gran High School Seniors!



### A Prayer for Our Graduates

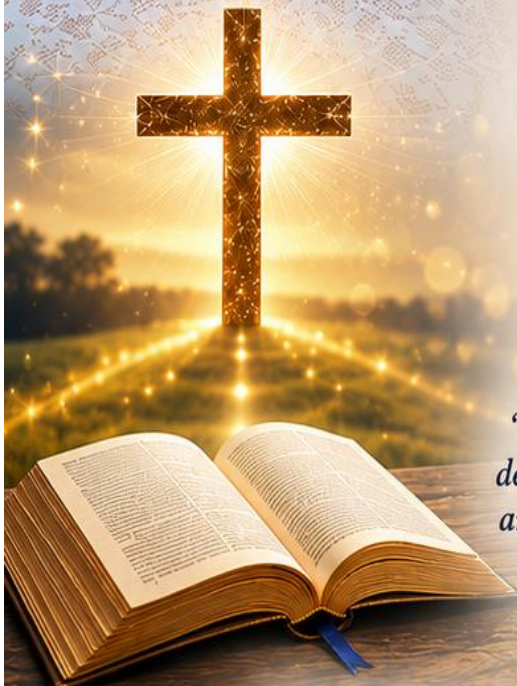
Heavenly Father,  
Today we thank You for the  
accomplishments of our seniors.  
As they close this chapter  
and step into a new journey,  
guide them with Your wisdom,  
strength, and love.  
May they have the courage  
to follow their dreams,  
the faith to trust in Your plan,  
and the kindness to make  
a difference in the world.  
Bless them always, Lord,  
and keep them in Your care.

*Amen.*

*"For I know the plans I have for you,"  
declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you  
and not to harm you, plans to give you  
hope and a future."*

— Jeremiah 29:11 —

We are proud of you and are praying for your bright future! ♥





# Gran LUTHERAN CHURCH



# Summer SERVICES

SUNDAYS AT

6:45  
PM

*Faith. Fellowship. Community.*

Join us for a relaxed evening of worship, encouragement, and connection.



WORSHIP  
TOGETHER



GROW IN  
FAITH



BUILD  
FRIENDSHIPS



ENJOY A  
SUMMER EVENING  
TOGETHER

*All are welcome!*



GRAN LUTHERAN CHURCH  
5 miles East of Mayville on Highway 200  
and 2 miles south



*We'd love to  
see you!*



Follow us on Facebook: **Mayville - Gran Lutheran Church**





# Gran

LUTHERAN CHURCH

# ICE CREAM

## Social!



**JUNE 7<sup>TH</sup>**



**5-6:30 PM**

*We will be serving:*

- Barbeques
- Grilled Hot Dogs
- Baked Beans
- Potato Salad
- Macaroni Salad
- Fruit Salad
- Potato Chips
- Lemonade
- Coffee



*We will also have an*

**ICE CREAM BAR!**

- Sundaes
- Root Beer Floats
- Ice Cream Cones
- Banana Splits



Join us for **FOOD** and **FELLOWSHIP!**

AND STAY FOR OUR  
**EVENING CHURCH SERVICE**

**STARTING AT 6:45 PM**



Come join  
the fun!

Bring your lawn chair and umbrella

# 6th Annual Lefse & Lemonade 1891 Grue - Fundraiser

Located in Historic Grue Church  
1423 168th Ave NE, Rural Buxton, ND  
(5 miles east of Buxton & 1 mile north)

## Saturday, June 13, 2026

**12:00 to 1:00**

Free Will Lunch with Music  
Food and Fresh Lefse & Lemonade

**1:20 to 2:00**

Music Performance by Fargo Spelemannslag  
Regional Hardanger Fiddle Group

**12:00 to 2:30**

- Handmade Hardanger Fiddle Display
- Unique and Handmade Silent Auction
- Norwegian Specialty Bake Sale
- Unveiling Toothpick Model of Grue Church  
- by Jerry Hackett, American Artisan



Visit [www.1891Grue.org](http://www.1891Grue.org) for more information

**Historic Grue Church**  
*a subsidiary of Buxton in Bloom*

Sponsors:



Can't attend but want to  
make a donation for the  
restoration of Grue  
Scan the QR code





**Celebrating all of God's work accomplished through serving our neighbors on God's Work, Our Hands Sunday - May 3<sup>rd</sup> !!**

*About 65 people from our Mayville & Gran Parish worshiped God together, served as God's hands with our neighbors, and enjoyed fellowship over a meal!*

- 1. Writing Notes/Drawing Pictures in Cards:** 6 people wrote 8 notes/pictures for LMH residents & 4 notes/pictures for family/friends outside of LMH!
  - 2. LWR Personal Care Kits:** 5 people sorted & assembled 35 Personal Care Kits for Lutheran World Relief!
  - 3. LWR Fabric Care Kits:** 2 people sorted & assembled 5 Fabric Kits for Lutheran World Relief!
  - 4. Luther Memorial Home/Sun Center Sing-A Long:** 13 people sang old favorite hymns & visited with residents at Sun Center and Luther Memorial Home!
  - 5. Mayville Parks:** 6 people picked up trash along the north shore of Island Park & raked leaves/branches off of the Pickle Ball court!
  - 6. Pick-up Trash Around Mayville:** 2 people picked up 5 bags of trash, some large pieces of trash, a Debit card (returned to owner), & a \$20 bill east of Mayville on Hwy 200!
  - 7. Rainbow Garden:** 18 people raked 17+ tarp loads of leaves & picked up branches!
  - 8. Mayville Home-Eldra Forsgren:** 3 people took down Christmas Lights, moved Christmas Items to storage, changed smoke detector batteries, and more!
  - 9. Mayville Home-Myrna Lyng:** 4 people cleared out 8 window wells, repaired 1 gate, hauled branches to Mayville compost, cleaned out gutters, and rescued 11 frogs from window wells!
  - 10. Mayville Home-Dennis & Shari Peterson:** 4 people washed back porch windows, raked back yard, and cleaned out flower beds!
- \*Meal Preparation:** 17 people purchased food and supplies, prepared food, donated food, set-up, served, and cleaned up the coffee fellowship before worship, and the meal enjoyed by all following the time of serving our neighbors!

*A huge thank you to all who participated: the site coordinators, the GWOH Planning Committee, and the support of Thrivent Financial!!*

*A wonderful day of being God's hands and feet!!*



**Thank you!**

**Steve Bensen - June 8<sup>th</sup>-June 12<sup>th</sup>**

**Sheryl Vinje - July 20<sup>th</sup>-July 24<sup>th</sup>**

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



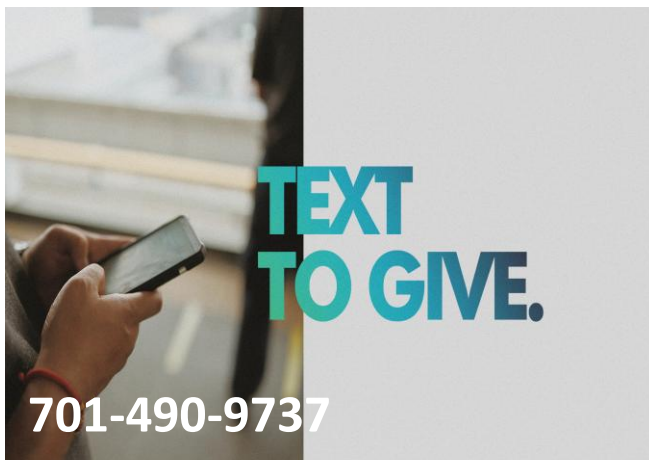
**Philippians 4:6-7**

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.

Please call: 701-786-3202 or

Email: [maygranlutheranoffice@gmail.com](mailto:maygranlutheranoffice@gmail.com)

**We are here for you!**



**Two other 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 it 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

**\$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!*



**ON RADIO**  
Your message.  
Heard locally.



**ON TV**  
Your brand.  
Seen widely.



**ON FACEBOOK**  
Your story.  
Shared daily.

*Thank you*  
for supporting our community and ministry!



# From the Janitors Closet By David Moeller



Why should I go to church? I can be a Christian without going to church, can't I?

Let me offer some reasons why you should go to church regularly.

First of all, it is the 4th Commandment. **Remember the Sabbath Day and keep it holy.** What does this mean? We should fear and love God that we may not despise preaching and His Word, but hold it sacred and gladly hear and learn it.

Jesus said "For where two or three come together in my name, there I am with them." Matthew 18:20.

We are a witness to our faith in Jesus when we attend church. It is our response to the great love and mercy God has shown us.

God's Word is proclaimed and taught in church and it is through God's Word that we receive eternal life.

It is difficult, if not impossible, to be a Christian and not go to church. The positive reasons for going are both spiritual and physical benefits for this life on earth and for all eternity. I urge you to attend church regularly and worship our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ with fellow Christians.





# Serving Teams for JUNE & JULY 2026

<u>Date</u>	<u>Greeters and Ushers</u>	<u>Lectors</u>	<u>Communion Set-up</u>	<u>Communion Distribution</u>
June 7 <sup>th</sup>	Wendy Mehus Family	Help is needed	No Communion	No Communion
June 14 <sup>th</sup>	Sam & Alex Berry	Alex Berry	No Communion	No Communion
June 21 <sup>st</sup>	Jay and Delores Henrickson	Help is needed	No Communion	No Communion
June 28 <sup>th</sup>	Al & Helen Hoyt	Helen Hoyt	No Communion	No Communion
July 5 <sup>th</sup>				
July 12 <sup>th</sup>				
July 19 <sup>th</sup>				
July 26 <sup>th</sup>				

MISSION  
*of the*  
 MONTH



Eastern North Dakota Synod  
 Evangelical Lutheran Church in America



ELCA



**Thank you to everyone who contributed to making our Vacation Bible School such a success. A big thank you to Mary Hefta and the entire VBS Crew for all their hard work in making this year's program extra special.**





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Sunday	Mon	Tue	Wed.	Thurs	Fri	Sat
31 <b><u>Communion Sunday</u></b> 10:30am MLC Worship 6:45pm Gran Worship	1	2	3	4	5	6
7 David Moeller 10:30am MLC Worship 6:45pm Gran Worship	8	9	10	11	12	13
14 David Moeller 10:30am MLC Worship 6:45pm Gran Worship	15	16	17	18	19	20
21 David Moeller 10:30am MLC Worship 6:45pm Gran Worship	22	23	24	25	26	27
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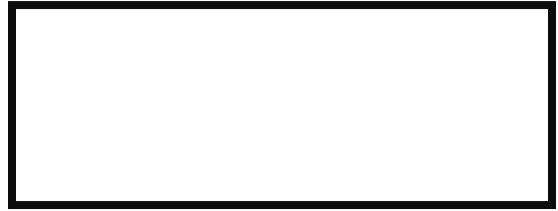
**PASTOR IS ON VACATION ALL OF JUNE**



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28 10:30am MLC Worship 6:45pm Gran Worship	29	30	1	2	3	4
5 <b><u>Communion Sunday</u></b> 10:30am MLC Worship 6:45pm Gran Worship	6	7	8	9	10	11
12 <b><u>Communion Sunday</u></b> 10:30am MLC Worship 6:45pm Gran Worship  Baptism of Silver Rae Nygord	13	14	15	16	17	18
19 <b><u>Communion Sunday</u></b> 10:30am MLC Worship 6:45pm Gran Worship  Baptism of Blake Warren Sola	21	22	23	24	25	26
26 <b><u>Communion Sunday</u></b> 10:30am MLC Worship 6:45pm Gran Worship	27	28	29	30	31	1

# THE BRANCHES NEWSLETTER

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Rae Nygard

Travis Kraft

Mary Hefta

MLC Treasurer: Jessica Bergerson



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God's work. Our hands.

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