

"The Branches"

Mayville & Gran LUTHERAN CHURCHES

September 2025

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

MAYVILLE LUTHERAN CHURCH'S Sundays 10:30am/GRAN Wednesdays 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 Church



Celebrate the Start of Sunday School

Sunday -September 14th at 10:00am

All Children 3yr olds -5th Grade

Join us for coffee and treats at 10:00am

Worship starts at 10:30am

Food Provided following Church Service



**Bouncy House & Games
Face Painting
Cotton Candy**





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

September 29th –October 3rd

Volunteer Needed



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



Text Give **TO**

701-490-9737



Two other ways to GIVE OFFERING at MLC!!!

1. Scan the QR Code
2. TEXT to GIVE

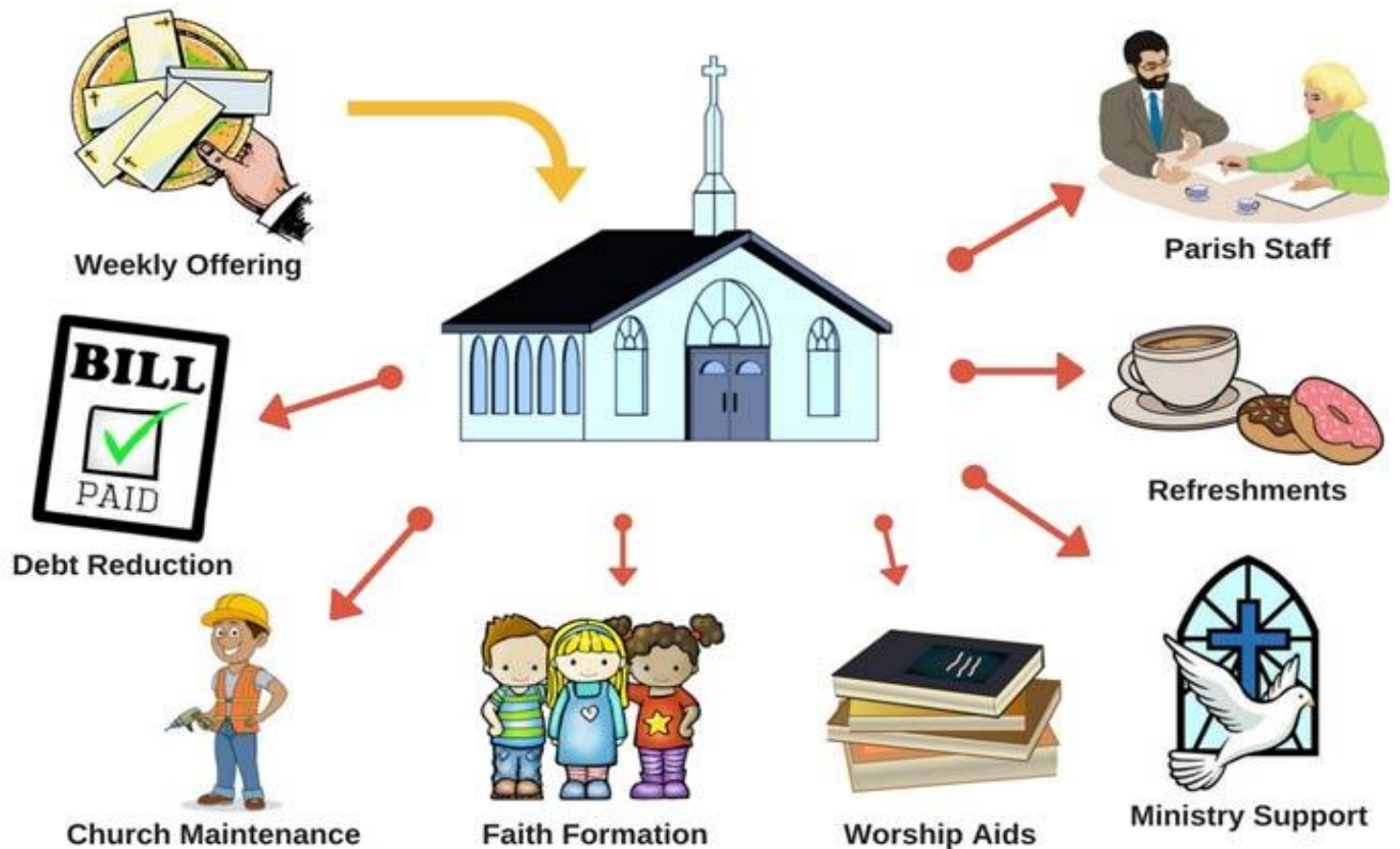
Your Offering is Tax Deductible!



TEXT 701-490-9737 “GIVE” Then the: AMOUNT

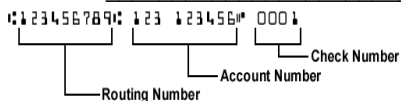
First time you'll have to set it up
After that, offering is just a text away

Where Does My Sunday Offering Go?



AUTHORIZATION FORM

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

Customer Id #			DATE	
Effective date of authorization: ____/____/____				
Type of authorization:				
☐ New authorization ☐ Change payment amount ☐ Change payment date ☐ Change banking information ☐ Discontinue electronic payment				
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Date of first payment: ____/____/____ Amount of recurring payment: \$_____				
CHECKING / SAVINGS	Please debit payment from my (check one): ☐ Savings Account (contact your financial institution for Routing #) ☐ Checking Account (staple a voided check below)		Routing Number: _____ Valid Routing # must start with 0, 1, 2, or 3 Account Number: _____ 	
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CREDIT/DEBIT CARD	Please charge my payment to my (check one): ☐ Visa ☐ Master Card ☐ American Express ☐ 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!



So he told them this parable: “Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? And when he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. -Luke 15:3-5

Greetings,

September gives us a look at the benefits and the challenges of following Jesus. We have the Parable of the Lost Sheep, giving us a look at how important each and every one of us is to Jesus. Jesus is there for us when we feel lost and alone. With this side of Jesus comes the side that challenges us to “count the cost.” There are costs to following Jesus, and at times leaving the comfort of the ninety-nine, to pursue the one.

There will be opportunities to explore what it means to follow Jesus this fall as we make our way through Luke on Sundays, and as our children get started with Sunday school and confirmation. Rally Sunday is scheduled for September 14th. Tami Parker has sent out information and forms to fill out for Sunday school kids, and an informational meeting will be scheduled soon for confirmation.

We have partnered for confirmation with the Portland Parish over the last few years, and I will connect with their incoming pastor soon to work out the details on what that partnership will look like this year. The new pastor for Portland Parish will start on September 7th.

I am looking for someone to assist me with confirmation this year. It could be one person willing to partner for the year or a rotation throughout the year.

Tami Parker will lead Jesus and Me (J.A.M) again this year on early-out days from school. There will be no confirmation classes on these days, and confirmation youth are strongly encouraged to attend these J.A.M. events.

Once again, I'd like to thank everyone who gave to the stained-glass window project. We will take a close look at each panel of the stained-glass windows during the seasons of the church this year, and we encourage members to take some time for a closer look. You might notice that some images might pop out at you that you may have missed before the restoration.

Bible Studies will be starting up again as well in September with, The Big Picture: Seeing God's Dream For Your Life, by Jevon and Nicole Caldwell-Gross. The study focuses on the life of Joseph in Genesis. We will be gathering at 1:00 on Wednesdays. The first study will be held on September 17th.

Join us as we follow Jesus together.

Peace and grace, Pastor Martin



From the Janitors Closet By David Moeller



Holding God's Hand-

I wanted to take my grandchildren for a walk through the replica of a volcano in Albuquerque's Museum of Natural History. Four-year old Kristen sniffed the sulfurous fumes, listened to the roar that rolled through the volcano's low dark doorway, and refused to go any further. "There's a tiger in there!" she cried.

I tried to convince her otherwise, but without success. Finally, I took the other children through the volcano while Kristen stayed outside with a friend. When we exited, Kristen ran to us with tears streaking her face. "I thought the tiger had eaten you," she sobbed.

The other children clamored to go through the exhibit again, but Kristen once more stayed outside. When we came out that time, my friend reported that Kristen was missing. We hunted frantically among the surrounding displays. Then to my astonishment I saw Kristen emerge alone from the volcano, face pale, chin high. "Grandma, you were right," she said. "There is no tiger in the volcano.

Awed by her bravery, I asked, "How did you find the courage to go in there?"

"God held my hand," she replied.

—Madge Harrah





Lennon Kylo, Collins Karlstad,
Blake Schaley and Danika Hoyt
had a free will offering bake sale!

They raised over \$2,000.00 for
Everly Peterson!

#forEverly

God is Good



FALL WOMEN'S RETREAT

SEPTEMBER 19-20, 2025 | **CAMP JOY**

Rooted

Colossians 2:7

featuring...

TAUNYA TODD

SINGER/SONGWRITER & SPEAKER



Taunya Todd is a law enforcement wife and military mom. She is passionate about following Jesus and leading others to experience the awe and wonder there is in following Him too. Taunya and her husband live in Detroit Lakes, Minnesota where they are learning to navigate their empty nest season of life after raising 3 children.

A relaxing, refreshing and rejuvenating weekend!

\$75/per person for Friday night - Saturday evening
at Camp Joy on Star Lake near Dent, Minnesota

CAMPJOYMINNESOTA.ORG/FALLCAMPS

We are looking for K-Cups for Sunday Coffee



You can drop them off at the MLC Office or upstairs' kitchen! Thank you!



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!



Are you looking for **!FREE!** support from your health care team, within our community, to keep you in your home?

The Bridging Health & Home program is a bridge between your provider and your health at home.

What services do we offer?

- ◆ Answers to questions regarding new or old health concerns
- ◆ Health screenings (Social Determinants of Health)
- ◆ Watching your blood pressure and blood sugar trends
- ◆ Consults with a pharmacist/RN for medicine reviews and health education; medication box fills
- ◆ Dietary, Social Work, Physical and Occupational Therapy consults and education
- ◆ Contact with your primary care provider
- ◆ Connecting with Community resources
- ◆ Better Choices, Better Health Classes
- ◆ Advanced Care Planning (aka Healthcare Directive)

We can help you or your loved ones:

- ◆ Manage health with confidence
- ◆ Live well with chronic conditions
- ◆ Access Community resources to help live a healthy lifestyle

Open Tuesdays @ West Traill Ambulance Building from 830a-1130a, 112 Main St W Mayville

Open 1st Wednesday @ Portland Senior Center (Golden Age Club) from 830a-930a, 710 Parke Ave Portland

Open 2nd & 4th Wednesdays @ Hatton Centennial Community Center from 830a-11a, Railroad Ave E Hatton

Give us a 📞 at 701.788.4411 to discuss or schedule a visit.

👤 📞 Samantha T., RN, BSN
👤 Mackenzie D., Community Health Worker



MLC had the Mayville State Volleyball team over for a Mystery Dinner



Thank you to

Tami Parker, Isabell Parker,
Thomas Parker,
Mary Iverson, Rae Nygord,
Tressta Kunkel,
Pastor Avery, Sheryl Vinje,
Lois Karlstad, Travis Kraft
& Richelle Mewes to make
it all happen!

Many giggles were had and
memories made!



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 September 2025

Date	<u>Greeters and Ushers</u>	<u>Lectors</u>
September 7 th	Al and Helen Hoyt	Myrna Lyng
September 14 th	MLC's Upcoming MPCG SENIORS	Jaidyn Roder
September 21 st	Doreen Nelson	Mary Jo Amb
September 28 th	Kasey and Kelsey Karlstad Family	Camden Ree

Communion Sunday in September 2025

September 7th 2025

Set Up Communion:

Lon and Michele
Jorgenson

Distribute Communion:

Lon and Michele
Jorgenson

September 21st 2025

Jackie Kuhle

Jackie Kuhle

MISSION
of the
MONTH





Sunday	Mon	Tue	Wed.	Thurs	Fri	Sat
31 10:30am MLC Worship NO GRAN WORSHIP	1 LABOR DAY! OFFICE IS CLOSED	2 11:00am Staff Meeting	3	4	5	6
7 COMMUNION SUNDAY 8:45am Gran Worship 10:30am MLC Worship ELCA Fall Theological Conference Sunday @4:30pm – Wednesday @11am	8	9 11:00am Staff Meeting	10	11	12 David Preaching at LMH	13
14 RALLY SUNDAY 8:45am Gran Worship 9:45am Gran Sunday School 10:00am MLC Sunday School 10:30am MLC Worship Rededication of the Stain Glass Windows After worship at MLC Food Fun and Fellowship!	15	16	17	18	19	20 David Moeller Birthday 
21 COMMUNION SUNDAY 8:45am Gran Worship 9:45am Gran Sunday School 10:00am MLC Sunday School 10:30am MLC Worship	22 Deadline For the Branches	23	24	25	26	27
28 8:45am Gran Worship 9:45am Gran Sunday School 10:00am MLC Sunday School 10:30am MLC Worship	29 Richelle is back!	30 11:00am Staff Meeting	1	2	3	4

fall youth retreat

2025 Fall Youth Retreat: September 26-28, 2025

Castaway Club

Grades: 6-10

The Eastern ND Synod Youth Retreat will take place September 26-28 at the Castaway Club. This retreat is geared toward students in grades 6-10. For those older than grade 10, we invite you to check out the work crew options.

Join us for a powerful weekend where faith meets action as we explore what it means to Do Good Better. Inspired by Galatians 6:10 — “Let us do good to all...” — this retreat invites us to live our faith out loud in a world that longs for compassion, courage, and creativity. We’re thrilled to be joined by Pastor Emily Harkins of The Dwelling in Winston-Salem, NC — a bold and inclusive church without walls that walks alongside people experiencing homelessness. Pastor Emily brings a deep passion for justice, community, and the kind of faith that shows up in real and radical ways. Don’t miss this unforgettable weekend filled with connection, purpose, and a whole lot of good.



Sunday September 14th at Mayville Lutheran Church

Sunday School Starts at 10:00am

Before Worship at 10:00am

Coffee, Cookies and Fellowship in the Son Room at 10:00am

FELLOWSHIP!

*Grab your coffee or tea
and join us to catch up
with others!*



Worship at 10:30am

(During Worship)

- ✚ 3yr olds will receive their Bibles
- ✚ 3rd Graders will receive their Bibles
- ✚ Recognize our upcoming Confirmands
(Oct. 26 is Confirmation Sunday)
- ✚ Recognize our upcoming MPCG HS 2026 Seniors
- ✚ Re-Dedication of the Stain Glass Windows!

Stay after Worship

Free Meal ✚ Bouncy House
Face Painting ✚ Cotton Candy
✚ Games & More!



THE BRANCHES NEWSLETTER

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