

## Ministerial Moments

**Pastor Mike Martin**  
Marshall Lutheran Church

It is easy to say, "I believe in God." But what does that really mean? In the western world we tend to think of "belief" as something that only happens in our mind. We think something is true therefore we believe it. However, when we look at the concept of belief, or faith, in the Bible, we see that it is an action word. Those who believed in Jesus did something about it. It was not just something they thought, but also what they did and who they became.

In the early church, there was no such thing as simply "doing" Christianity or "going to church." The Church was defined as the people of God, and Christianity was about being like Christ. James writes in his letter that we are to be doers of the Word (the Bible) and not hearers only

(James 1:22). James goes on to say that even the demons believe in who God is—and shudder! (James 2:19). Just saying you believe in Jesus does not make you a Christian any more than it makes the demons Christians. It is how you live out your belief that makes all the difference.

That is not to say we earn our salvation by our works. There is nothing you can do to earn your way to heaven. However, every true believer will want to live out their faith. The Apostle Paul calls this "living by the Spirit" (Galatians 5). When we truly love God and want to follow Jesus, the Holy Spirit living within us will guide us to live in a way that pleases God. He is not interested in only what you say. He wants all of you: your heart, mind, body and soul to be His. He gave everything for you. Will you give everything to Him?

**Would you like to sponsor our Community Calendar?**  
Reach out at (701) 843-7567

### City of Almont JOB OPPORTUNITY

**SUMMER LAWN MOWER:** City of Almont is looking for anyone interested in mowing 2 city lots: (1) City Park: pay is \$50 (to include mowing, weed-eating and making sure not to blow grass clippings into rock plots/flower beds); and (2) Tennis court: pay is \$20 (mowing and weed-eating). City has a mower if you choose to use it. Send letters of interest to: [cityofalmont@westriv.com](mailto:cityofalmont@westriv.com)



**Dallas Rud**



**Darren Gappert**

### CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES!

*As you close one chapter and embark on an exciting new journey, we are excited to help you celebrate your incredible achievement. We wish you the best of luck on this next chapter of your lives!*



## Mandan Police Report

The Mandan Police Department responded to 37 cases Monday, May 18- Thursday, May 21. Due to an early deadline the cases from Friday, Saturday and Sunday were unavailable at the time of publication.

The MPD responded to the following cases on Monday, May 18: harassment; driving with suspended license; juvenile problem; expired registration, drug equipment violations; all other larceny-theft; all other offences; destruction/damage/vandalism of property/criminal mischief, criminal trespass; assist other agency; disorderly conduct; simple assault; violation of driver license restrictions, equipment-headlight/taillight out (warning only).

The MPD responded to the following cases on Tuesday, May 19: driving with suspended license, disregard stop sign; burglary/breaking and entering, violation of domestic violence protection order, simple assault, local warrant; noxious weeds and tall grass violation (warning), nuisance dog

(warning); assist other agency; destruction/damage/vandalism of property/criminal mischief; all other larceny-theft, weapon law violations, drug/narcotic violations, drug equipment violations, drug equipment violations, welfare check; disorderly conduct; disorderly conduct, destruction/damage/vandalism of property/criminal mischief; welfare check, simple assault; animal bite (warning only); domestic dispute.

The MPD responded to the following cases on Wednesday, May 20: criminal warrants; found property; driving with suspended license, speeding in school zone; drug/narcotic violations; child neglect and abuse (non-violent); terrorizing; counterfeiting/forgery; harassment; all other offences.

The MPD responded to the following cases on Thursday, May 21: drug equipment violations, driving with suspended license; aggravated assault; welfare check; harassing phone call/letter/electronic communication; simple assault; welfare check.

## Morton County News Journal's new intern



**RYAN JOHNSON**

I am originally from Watertown, Minnesota, which is just about thirty minutes from the Twin Cities. After graduating high school in 2022, I moved to North Dakota in the fall to study at the University of Mary. The school, and the state, quickly began to feel like home. Flash forward four years, and I graduated from the university with a dual degree in communications and philosophy,

looking to find my place in the career world. That search eventually took me to the Morton County News Journal, where I am now interning. I have always loved telling stories, and local journalism gives me the opportunity to tell the best kinds of stories: the small ones, the ones about ordinary people, about ordinary life, and all the good to be found in it. I look forward to working with this team over the next few months to hone my writing and reporting skills, and to find my place within the Morton County Community.

Ryan can be reached at [rnjohnson04@gmail.com](mailto:rnjohnson04@gmail.com)

## Event Calendar

### June Western Plains Public Health Clinics

- 1** Immunizations at Western Plains Public Health in Mandan, 8:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. Call 667-3370 for appointment
- 3** Footcare and Blood Pressure at Mandan Senior Center, 8:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. Call 667-3370 for appointment
- 8** Immunizations at Western Plains Public Health in Mandan, 8:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. Call 667-3370 for appointment
- 10** Footcare and Blood Pressure at Mandan Senior Center, 8:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. Call 667-3370 for appointment
- 11** Footcare at Hebron Senior Center, 8:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m. Call 622-3591 for appointment
- 11** Footcare at Glen Ullin Senior Center, 12:30 p.m.-1:30 p.m. Call 622-3591 for appointment
- 15** Immunizations at

- Western Plains Public Health in Mandan, 8:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. Call 667-3370 for appointment
- 16** Footcare and Blood Pressure at Elm Crest Manor, New Salem, 9:00 a.m.-10:30 a.m. Call 667-3370 for appointment
- 17** Footcare and Blood Pressure at Mandan Senior Center, 8:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. Call 667-3370 for appointment
- 17** Footcare and Blood Pressure at Library Square in Mandan, 1:00 p.m.-2:30 p.m. call 667-3370 for appointment
- 22** Immunizations at Western Plains Public Health in Mandan, 8:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. Call 667-3370 for appointment
- 24** Footcare and Blood Pressure at Mandan Senior Center, 8:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. Call 667-3370 for appointment
- 29** Immunizations at Western Plains Public Health in Mandan, 8:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. Call 667-3370 for appointment

### Morton County Fair Board

The Morton County Fair Board will have their regular meeting on Monday June 1, 2026 at 7:00pm central time at the fairgrounds in New Salem.

**Have a meeting notice? Email Us at [mcjournal@gspublishing.net](mailto:mcjournal@gspublishing.net) to have it featured here**

### Youth Summer Meals New Salem

Youth Summer Meals available every Friday from 9-10am. Next date for meals – Friday, May 29. Families can come to the south entrance of Peace Church and receive 7 meals each week for each child 18 and under throughout the summer. Parents or guardians will need to fill out a Parent Consent Form one time only.

### MORTON COUNTY

## Golden Age Menu

- THURSDAY MAY 28**  
Open Faced Roast Beef Sandwich, Mashed Potatoes/Gravy, Carrots, Peaches
  - FRIDAY MAY 29**  
Polish Sausage, Knoepla and Kraut, Green Beans, Mandarin Oranges
  - MONDAY JUNE 1**  
Chicken and Dumplings, Green Beans, Chilled Pears
  - TUESDAY JUNE 2**  
Chef Salad, Raw Veggies w/Ranch, Garlic Bread Stick, Fresh Orange
  - WEDNESDAY JUNE 3**  
Turkey and Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Parslied Carrots, Apple Slices
- Call 701.663.6528 to have meals delivered to you if you are 60 or older

## PUBLIC NOTICE

### NOTICE OF EARLY VOTING

NOTICE is hereby given that Morton County will have an Early Vote Precinct located at the Morton-Mandan Library, 609 W Main St, Mandan, ND. The Early Vote Precinct will be open as follows:

- Thursday, June 4, 2026 9:30AM to 5:30PM
- Friday, June 5, 2026 9:30AM to 5:30PM
- Monday, June 8, 2026 9:30AM to 5:30PM

Ballots for each precinct in Morton County will be available during these early voting hours. Citizens are reminded that ND State Law requires all voters to provide identification showing your residential address.

Dawn R Rhone  
Morton County Auditor

## Deb Sailer, FNP-C

She's right here.

