

United Methodist Messenger

November 2010

Groton/Conde Parishes

THE BROKEN RESOLVE

The Broken
Resolve
playing in our
church
sanctuary on
Saturday,
Nov. 20th
at 7pm,
cost will be \$2
and a non-
perishable food
product.

Dear Friends,

I am excited to be bringing in "The Broken Resolve" on the 20th of this month. The youth are excited about it and it really is a nice follow up to the Groton Youth Rally, Nov. 3rd. The band will be here on Saturday setting up in the Sanctuary during the afternoon and the concert will begin around 7pm.

"The Broken Resolve" has played at Lighthouse the past 2 summers and has also been active within the Dakotas Conference leading worship and providing entertainment at youth rallies and camps alike. They are an extremely talented group of young men who have a heart for Christ as well as missions (one might say that those two things are synonymous.)

The band plays an upbeat style and mixes in various melodies and harmonies alike. With lyrics that inspire and encourage, their music style is attractive to multi-generational audiences. Here are some pictures and other information regarding the concert.

Grace and Peace,
Pastor Matt





*Sympathies to
the family of
Eunice Sperry
who passed
away*

*October 20th
And Sue Rock
who passed
away on
October 22nd*

125th Cookbook

The Groton United Methodist Church will be publishing its first ever cookbook. Please start thinking about recipes you would like to submit. Forms will be available soon to put your recipes on. Tentative plans are to have a 3 ring binder in the kitchen for you to pick up your forms, fill them out, and return them to the 3 ring binder. Be thinking, be ready, let's make this the best cookbook we possibly can.

Thank you
Kim Weber & Linda Thurston

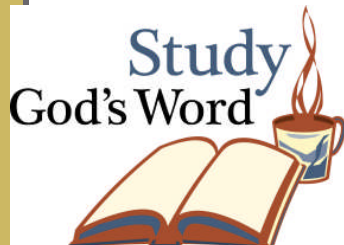


**Groton
UMC**



Marlys Rodman	397-4570
Audrey Thurston	397-8493
Gert Ruden	397-8211
Pat Dahlquist	397-2616
Mary Swisher	397-8337
Gloria Pharis	397-2375
Doris Zoellner	397-2417
Marjorie Townsend	298-5221
Darlys Kampa	395-6996
DeLoris Knoll	397-2681
Marvel Johnson	397-2425
Mary Ann Whede	397-8330

*Currently 82 on email prayer chain.
If you are not on this list or the email list, please notify the church office.



Women's Bible Study
every Tuesday Morning
at 10 AM
and
Men's Bible Study every
Wednesday Morning
at 7 AM in Groton

Everyone is Welcome!

Solar Ovens to Haiti in November

Brookings, SD -- The first Solar Oven Partners Volunteers In Mission team to Haiti since the January 12, 2010 earthquake will depart on November 4! Two volunteers traveled to Haiti this past Easter to help with emergency housing needs, and our well-trained Haitian staff have done a marvelous job of continuing our solar cooking training and distribution program in spite of the earthquake, but this trip will restart our volunteer service opportunities. Though the November team is small (6 volunteers) and had to be hastily arranged, volunteer applications are open for March 4-16, 2011. Please contact Rick Jost at 605-692-3391 or rjost@brookings.net to sign up.

For the November Team, we would

very much appreciate your prayer support. Please also watch for our Alternative Christmas Giving Brochures and if you're not on our newsletter mailing list to receive that, either send us your address to be added to the mailing list, or check out the brochure (4-color and printable) from our web site www.gbqm-umc.org/solarovenshaiti right after Thanksgiving.

A heartfelt thank you for supporting our UM Dakota's Conference Haiti Solar Oven Project, and especially the people of Haiti!



*Men's Fall
Dinner*

Groton United Methodist Church

*Sunday, November 14, 2010
11 am to 1:30 pm*

Roast Beef Dinner

*Adults: \$8 Children 5-12: \$5
Children 4 and under: Free*

Worship Time Change

November 14th

Worship in Groton at 9 am
and Conde at 11 am for
this Sunday only because of
the Groton Men's Dinner

Funds enable college study

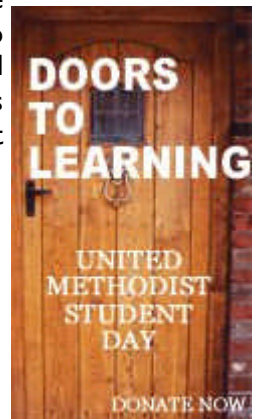
The **United Methodist Student Day offering** may assist a seminary student called to be a pastor or a missionary. Maybe it will enable a student to complete nursing school or get an education degree.

Nov. 28 was designated as **United Methodist Student Day**, one of the Special Sundays of the Church year. GBHEM oversees the program and directs the offerings into scholarships and loans to UM students in many fields of study. Each year, 10 percent of the contributions also are returned to the annual conferences for merit scholarships.



UMW Jewel of a Woman this year was Doris Zoellner

Service Awards went to Pat Dahlquist, Marlys Rodman, and Richrad Krueger.



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Shoebox Christmas in Conde

Save a shoebox and wrap the top and bottom of it separately with Christmas wrapping paper. When packed, fasten with rubber band and tape a note designating it for boy or girl and the age group.

SHOEBOXES are to be brought to North Highland UMC in Aberdeen no later than Monday, November 22, where they will be taken to Enemy Swim Day School the week after Thanksgiving.

In Conde, please contact Donna Hearnen for a list of items to be purchased, or find the list available at the church. Thank you.

Shoebox Christmas in Groton

Groton UMC has been invited to participate with North Highlands UMC in the Shoebox Christmas Project. The boxes will be sent to the Enemy Swim Day School near Waubay. This project brings great joy to the face of the children as they open their boxes. For many of the children, this will be the only Christmas gift they receive. The boxes must be returned to the church by Wednesday Nov 17 and will be taken to north highland before Friday. Below is information and suggestions for appropriate gifts.

Shoebox Christmas

You've heard about Project Christmas Child which is a national and international holiday program.

Through Children of the Harvest ministries, you have the opportunity to create a Shoebox Christmas for children right here in the Dakotas.

The project is simple. Pack Christmas gifts that will fit into a shoe box for the following age groups and mark if for boy or girl.

For infants: baby blanket, baby socks, baby bottle, burp cloth, teether, rattle or other baby toy, baby wash, baby wash cloths, baby wipes.

Toddler (age 1) stuffed animal, bath toys, toys (must be suitable for toddler age, have big parts and be quite basic), sippy cup, book (very basic, heavy pages & simple reading), toddler eating spoon and fork, socks.

Ages 2 & 3 book (with very simple reading and heavy pages), coloring book (with large simple pictures), bath toy, toy (suitable for 2-3 year old - check pkg) cap and mittens, stuffed animal, play doh, jumbo washable crayons, car (for 3 and under) doll (look at the doll size not the package it comes in. The distribution center will gladly unpackage the doll. Just put a note on the shoebox indicating a doll goes with it)

Ages 4 & 5 jumbo washable crayons coloring book (with large simple pictures), play doh, stuffed animal, car and/or truck (suitable for children 3 +), mittens, knit cap, book (heavy pages and simple reading), flash cards (numbers, shapes, and/or letters) doll (look at doll size not pkg as the distribution center will gladly unwrap the doll from the package. Just put a note on the shoebox indicating a doll goes with it),

Ages 6, 7, & 8 box of 24 crayons, washable markers, coloring and/or activity book, book, car and/or truck for children over age 4 (check age on pkg), puzzle (32 -100 pieces, play doh, knit cap,

gloves or mittens, game, hair accessories for girls (clips, pony tail holders, headbands, etc). Jump rope for girls.

Ages 9 & 10 box of 24 crayons, colored pencils or washable markers, coloring and/or activity book, puzzle (at least 100 pieces), cars/trucks (check age on pkg), card games (Skip-bo, Uno, etc). Legos, book, knit cap, gloves, flash cards, hair accessories for girls (clips, pony tail holders, headband, etc), girls like jewelry, jump rope, scarves, hand lotion, body wash/shower gel.

Ages 11 & 12 box of 24 crayons or more (twistable crayons or other special crayons are good as well) colored pencils, markers, book, knit cap, gloves scarf, card games (Skip-bo, Uno, etc), flashlight, pens, book of mazes or other activity book (sudoku, crosswords, word searches, etc), puzzle (100 pieces or more) shower gel/body wash, Girls may like hand lotion, nail polish, nail polish remover, jewelry, hair accessories (barrettes, clips, pony tail holders, headbands) or slipper socks.

Ages 13 & 14 flashlight, socks (one size fits all) deodorant, body wash/shower gel, body spray, pens (can be erasable) markers, colored pencils, book, Rubik's cube, knit cap, gloves, handheld electronic game (Deal or No Deal, Sudoku, Yahtzee, etc) book of mazes (or sudoku, crosswords, word searches, etc) puzzle (over 200 pieces) Girls may also enjoy slipper socks, nail polish, nail polish remover, scarves, shampoo, sticky notes, journal, gel pens.

Except for hats, mittens and scarves, clothing donations are collected separately to make shoebox distribution easier.

Please wrap the bottom of the box separate from the top, then rubber band or tie the box together. Mark the box for a girl or a boy and the age group, using a gift tag.



Groton UMW - October

Thirteen members met at the new Groton Area High School Media Center under the direction of media specialist Chris Nyberg. The group also toured some of the new science rooms, meeting rooms, and new offices.

Upon returning to the church, Carolyn Snyder gave a presentation on the World Thank Offering explaining how some of the donations are used. Member offerings were collected.

The fall bazaar was a great success. Marlys Rodman reported that the church missions will sponsor an Angel Tree for local children. The tree will be up around Nov. 7th. Sharon Wheeting gave certificates to Jan Raap and Gloria Pharis for their participation in the reading program. Correspondence came from Marlys Rodman and Pat Dalhquist thanking the UMW for their service award pins.

The 2011 slate of officers was submitted by the nominations committee,

read, and approved.

The fifth and last prayer vigil will be Nov. 16th with our time at 2:45 to 3:30. We should pray for Hunger Awareness. The Groton UMW received a 3 flame award from the Glacial Lakes District.

A cookbook will be created by church members for the 125th celebration. This project will be chaired by Kim Weber and the proceeds will go to the church to help with costs of the celebration. Names are needed for the Christmas goodie boxes. Proceeds from the Men's Dinner will be used for the church mission's project of giving a Thanksgiving basket to local families in need.

Clare Brotherton and Audrey Thurston served lunch. The next meeting will be at 2p.m. Nov. 17th with the program "Advent." Hostesses are Caralee Heitmann and JoAnn Krueger.

Let's Get
Together
United Methodist Women
2010 Program Book



"We give thanks to you, O God; we give thanks; your name is near. People tell of your wondrous deeds."

Psalm 75:1, NRSV

Groton Angel Tree

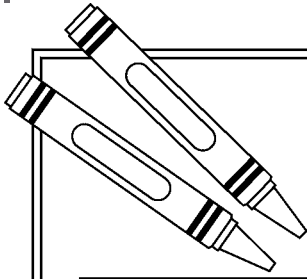
It will soon be Christmas and again this year, Groton UMC is sponsoring an Angel Tree. This mission project is to provide Christmas gifts for children in our local community. The tree will be up by November 7th and will be decorated with cards that will list the specific gift and information that will help you make a wise purchase – size, child's age, etc. No names will be on the cards. Each card will be numbered and to help the Mission Committee in coordination of this project, please sign out the card

number that you take so we have a way to track if a card is lost or a gift is returned without a card. Please return the gifts to the church on or before December 12th. The gifts should be wrapped and must have the card attached to the top of the package so that we can match the gift to the recipient. We appreciate your support of this worthy mission project. For questions, contact Carna at 397-4419 or JoAnn at 397-8597.

Thanksgiving Baskets



Proceeds from the Groton Men's Dinner will go towards Thanksgiving Food Baskets for people in the local community.



Just for **KIDS**

Multiply your thanks

We have so many reasons to give thanks to God. When we take time to count our blessings, we realize they just keep multiplying and adding up.

Use your multiplication or addition skills to answer each equation. Then use the word key below to write out Psalm 100:4 (NIV).

WORD KEY

22= him 16= courts 4=gates 24=name 9=praise 8=and 2=to
12= his 18= give 6= with 10= Enter 20= thanks 15= thanksgiving

"

$$\frac{\quad}{5 \times 2 \text{ or } 5 + 5}$$

$$\frac{\quad}{12 \times 1 \text{ or } 7 + 5}$$

$$\frac{\quad}{2 \times 2 \text{ or } 3 + 1}$$

$$\frac{\quad}{6 \times 1 \text{ or } 5 + 1}$$

$$\frac{\quad}{3 \times 5 \text{ or } 5 + 5 + 5}$$

$$\frac{\quad}{4 \times 2 \text{ or } 6 + 2}$$

$$\frac{\quad}{6 \times 2 \text{ or } 6 + 6}$$

$$\frac{\quad}{8 \times 2 \text{ or } 8 + 8}$$

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$$\frac{\quad}{3 \times 3 \text{ or } 3 + 3 + 3}$$

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$$\frac{\quad}{10 \times 2 \text{ or } 10 + 10}$$

$$\frac{\quad}{1 \times 2 \text{ or } 1 + 1}$$

$$\frac{\quad}{11 \times 2 \text{ or } 16 + 6}$$

$$\frac{\quad}{8 \times 1 \text{ or } 3 + 5}$$

$$\frac{\quad}{9 \times 1 \text{ or } 5 + 4}$$

$$\frac{\quad}{3 \times 4 \text{ or } 4 + 4 + 4}$$

$$\frac{\quad}{8 \times 3 \text{ or } 8 + 8 + 8}$$

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Answer: "Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name." (Psalm 100:4, NIV)



Confirmation Groton

Confirmation will be on the same days as UMYF, the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays 4-5:30pm.



Confirmation Schedule

Youth News:

UMYF 1st and 3rd Wednesdays at 7, Sunday School the 2nd and 4th Sundays.

Groton Community Thanksgiving Eve Worship service at the Groton UMC at 7 pm. Please Join Us!



Thanksgiving Worship



Our Church Celebrations

Groton

- Nov 2 Andrea Snoozy-Bahr
- Nov 7 Marva Gellhaus
Susan Odland
- Nov 10 Lee Swenson
- Nov 11 Doug Sippel
- Nov 15 Fred & Elaine Wolken
- Nov 16 Halley Schmidt
- Nov 18 Luverne Strom
- Nov 19 Crystal Sippel
Garrett Heitmann
Michael Krueger
- Nov 21 Larry & Sharon Wheeting
- Nov 23 Dwight & Eugenia Strom
Francine Sippel
- Nov 24 Nathan Zeeb
- Nov 25 Emery Sippel

Kari Hanson

- Nov 29 Audrey Thurston
- Nov 30 Tanner Johnson

Conde

- Nov 8 Dorothy Sanderson
- Nov 11 Joseph & Dani Smith
- Nov 12 Linda Pitts
- Nov 16 Devon Smith
- Nov 19 Mona Baldrige
- Nov 24 Floyd smith
- Nov 25 Leslie Bruckner
Betty Geist
- Nov 28 Eric Menzia
- Nov 29 Cheri Kurtz
- Nov 30 Dani Smith

Conde MISSION STATEMENT

“The Conde United Methodist Church is seeking to satisfy the spiritual and physical needs of all.”

Groton UMW Meetings

November 17 at 2 pm
Program is Advent by the Officers
Hostesses are JoAnn Krueger and Caralee Heitmann
Executive Meeting at 1 pm to plan Christmas Luncheon, Finalize the 2011 date book, Finalize the 2011 budget, and summarize 2011 UMW

UMW Christmas Luncheon
At the church December 8th at 11:30 am
We will be filling and delivering gift boxes of treats.
Please have items individually wrapped.



Conde Church Cleaning
November 13th at 9 am

Conde UMW Meetings

November 17 at 9 AM
Will Start with Advent Decorating
World Thank Offering by Betty Taylor
Hostesses is Jane Worlie

Dec 1 at 10 am
Program is Advent by Betty Jensen
Hostesses are Cindy Smith & Pat Siefken

Groton Mission Statement

“Enriching Spiritual lives through Christ.”

Groton Ad Council - Oct

The Finance Committee met recently and prepared the 2011 budget. It was reviewed by the council and will be presented at the November Charge Conference.

It was decided that our church's Endowment Fund should be explained to the congregation in the near future as we haven't seen much.

We are pleased to have over 30 children participating in Sunday school this year.

Our Missions Committee is very active in helping our church to support local families in need by planning distribution of Thanksgiving baskets as well as an Angel Tree for the Christmas season.



Groton December Family Committee

Lance & Kristi Hawkins, Katelyn

Kami & Tom Lipp

Carna & Cliff Pray, Kevin

Dale & Michelle Kramer

Marlys Rodman

Rose Tewksbury

Karla Pateur, Ali

Yvonne Lange

Pam & Roger Rix

Gayleen & Jon Voss, Jordan, Lacey

Jane & Marc Johnson, Tanner

Honorary Members

- ImoJeanne Oliver
- Mary Swisher
- Doris Zoellner
- Charlotte Lange

Extra Responsibilities

- Dec 5th change altar cloths to white for communion
- Dec 12th change altar cloths to purple
- Dec 24th change altar cloths to

white for Christmas Eve

- Clean & Organize Hallway Closet and Storage Room off the Choir Loft
- Help decorate church with Nov committee
- Shovel snow from doorways before Church
- Potluck 2nd Sunday



Groton Stewardship Report October 2010

Average Wkly Giving \$1,694

Needed Wkly for Church Mission \$1,929

Average Weekly Attendance 98

Total Building Fund Donations \$161

December 2010

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	



November 2010						
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	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				

Our Church Happenings Highlights

Nov 7 Daylight Saving Time Ends

Nov 10 Groton Ad Council

Nov 13 Conde Church Cleaning 9 am

Nov 14 Groton Men's dinner 11 am - 1:30 pm

Nov 14 Worship times changed - Groton 9 am /Conde 11 am

Nov 14 Worship at Golden Living Center

Nov 15 Charge Conference in Groton 7 pm

Nov 17 Conde UMW 9 am

Nov 17 Groton UMW 2 pm with Exec Mtg at 1 pm

Nov 17 Confirmation 4 pm/ UMYF 7 pm

Nov 20 Broken Resolve Concert in Groton Church 7 pm

Nov 22 Conde Nooma DVD Study 6 pm

Nov 22 Conde Ad Council 7 pm

Nov 24 7 pm Community Thanksgiving Eve Service at Groton UMC

Nov 28 1st Sunday of Advent

Nov 28 UM Student Day Special Offering

Full Calendar inside on printed edition or online at

www.grotonsdchurches.com/calendarumc