



UMC Messenger

MAY 2018

GROTON/CONDE

OFFICE HOURS Pastor's Schedule

Monday

in office 10 am - noon
and 1 -3:30 pm

Tuesday

Sermon Writing Day

Wednesday

in office 12 - 3:30 pm

Thursday

available by appt
10 am-5 pm

Friday and Saturday

Days Off

Emergency Calls

24/7



FROM OUR
PASTOR

From Pastor Thomas' Desk

Greetings Friends,

Thanks be to God that the sun is shining and the birds are singing! It is great to be able to open our windows and have the smell of spring fill our house and offices. I'm also thankful for the extra bit of moisture that we have received. It is my hope that it will saturate the ground and start the process for spring planting! May we hold our farmers in our prayers as they continue with calving and prepare for the spring planting season.

As we look forward to May, our school year which seems like it just started yesterday is already coming to an end. Which means it is time for graduation to take place. This is an exciting time in the life a some very special young people in our faith communities.

Jasmine Schinkel, Anthony Sippel and Mary Nelson from the Groton United Methodist Church will graduate with the 2018 class from Groton Area High School. For the Conde United Methodist Church, Aleaya Worlie will be graduating with the 2018 class from Groton Area High School and Hunter Neiber will be graduating with the 2018 class from Britton - Hecla High School.

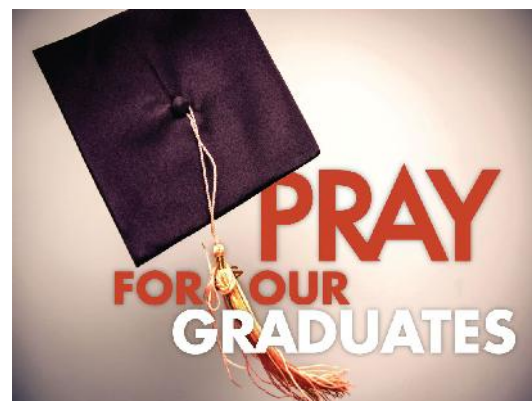
When I think about the transition from High School to College, Jeremiah 29:11 *"For surely I know the plans I have for you, says the LORD, plans for your welfare*

and not for harm, to give you a future with hope." Before Jasmine, Anthony, Mary, Aleaya or Hunter ever really knew what they wanted to do, God already had a plan in place for them. Join with me in praying for these graduates as they make the transition!

Thanks be to God for all of our Mother's who have poured into each one of us. There is nothing more awesome than to be surrounded with Mother's who love Jesus and faith is on fire for Him. May God richly bless all of the ladies in our church, Happy Mother's Day!

Holding you in the light!

Pastor Thomas Carlson





Groton UMC

- Marlys Rodman 397-4570
- Pat Dahlquist 397-2616
- Doris Zoellner 397-2417
- Marj Townsend 298-5221
- Ann Rix 397-8478
- Darlys Kampa 395-6996
- DeLoris Knoll 397-2681
- Gloria Pharis 397-2375

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

We must have your permission to start the Prayer Chain. So please call and request this to be done. It is not automatic for privacy reasons.

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Congratulations

Vic John was born March 8th to Adrienne & Tigh Flihs. He joins brothers Tigh, Rae, and Bo.



PRAYERS OF Thanks

Thank you all for your thoughts, prayers, and memorials given in memory of Bert. Thank you to all who

helped with his funeral in any way. The music was very special and the readings. Thank you to the ladies who prepared and served the delicious lunch. Thank you to Pastor Thomas for his kind words and all the care and concern given to me at this difficult time. God Bless you all. Jan Raap



Graduates being honored by the Groton UMC on Sunday, May 13 during coffee hour and worship are: Anthony Sippel, Jasmine Schinkel, and Mary Nelson.

Graduates being honored by the Conde UMC on Sunday, May 13 are Aleaya Worlie and Hunter Neiber.

Groton UMW - April

The Groton UMW met on April 19 at 1:30 pm with 12 members present. The business meeting was opened with members repeating the UMW Purpose. Valerie Baker conducted devotions followed by members offering names of people to be included in our prayers. Pastor Thomas shared information on our newly appointed pastor, Brandon Dunham, and stated that a firm start date had not yet been determined.

Jolene reviewed the recent Focus Days that we sponsored. There were 24 out-of-town ladies in attendance and they were very complimentary of the meal prepared for them. We thank Gloria & Kelli Hanson for preparing that meal. First United Methodist in Aberdeen volunteered to host Focus Days next year.

Our May Luncheon committee chairs, Diann Morehouse & Laurie Mitchell, gave an overview of the meal and decoration plans. It was decided that those who can help prepare food and set up should meet at the church on Tuesday, May 1 at 10:00 am. A \$10 donation from UMW members will be requested to help pay for meal groceries. They can pay Jeanne Wanous.

Jolene then reminded members that our May meeting will be our Tea Party on wheels. A list of members to visit that day was prepared. A couple of members volunteered to make cookies or bars to take along on our visits. Members participating should meet at the church at 1:30 pm with a carpool leaving at 2:00 pm. We were also reminded that our June 21 meeting will be at Diann Morehouse's home beginning at noon.

Jeanne Wanous reviewed our previous meeting minutes and our year-to-date financial report. Jolene gave a quick book report on a book entitled "Wonder" and highly recommended it. It is one of the books on our reading program. Pastor Thomas shared a closing prayer.

Pastor Thomas then led the group in a Mod Podge picture frame making project. Each lady decided on a theme and created their own frame from pieces of paper and phrases they tore out of a variety of magazines. Thank you Pastor for providing the frames and leading us through this activity.

Jeanne Wanous then provided coffee and dessert to conclude our day.



Groton UMW May

Tea Party

May 17th

1:30 pm - Thursday

Car Pool Leaving Church
at 2 pm

Everyone Hostess as we
have Tea Parties at various
places



Tea Party

Our Church Celebrations

Groton

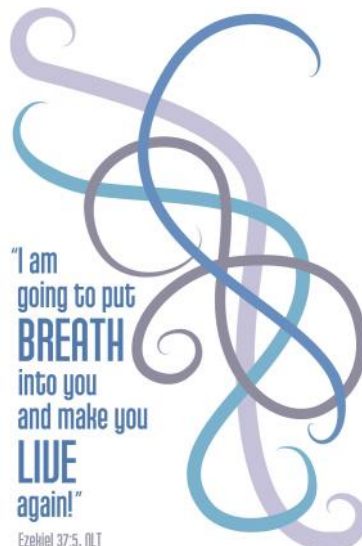
- May 2 Evan Jacobson
 May 3 Kim Weber
 May 4 Desiree Foltz
 Evan Erickson
 Tom Strom
 May 5 Gary Thurston
 Marlee Jones
 Tony & Brenda Madsen
 May 6 Clint Jacobson
 May 7 Gabbie Kramer
 Rebecca Padfield
 Tigh Hank Irvin Flihs
 May 8 Austin Jones
 Dale Kramer
 John Lowary
 Rob Wanous
 May 10 John & Anita Lowary
 May 12 Jack & Maggie Oliver
 May 13 Chase Neiber
 Doris Strom
 Leroy Severson
 May 14 Henry Pharis
 Linda Johnson
 Pam Rix
 May 15 Mary Nelson
 May 17 Cliff & Carna Pray
 May 18 Jean Walter
 May 19 John Erickson
 Scott Kampa
 Taylor Diegel
 May 20 Tom & Kami Lipp
 May 21 Cody Hanson
 May 22 Larry Schnaidt
 May 25 Adrienne Flihs
 Jon Voss
 Beau Bahr
 May 26 Dion & Sam Bahr

- May 27 Emmett Morehouse
 Luverne & Carol Strom
 May 28 Cheryl Hanson
 Jesse & Julie Morehouse
 May 29 Deloris Knoll
 Gary & Anita Voss
 May 30 Kami Lipp
 Macy Knecht
 Randy & Rebecca Padfield

Conde

- May 3 Janette Imsland
 May 7 Jane Worlie
 May 10 Marion Jensen
 May 16 Dwight Lyren
 May 25 Greg Bonn
 May 28 Grant & Janice Hanson
 May 30 Curtis & Cindy Haskell

Birthdays & Anniversaries



HEART LIGHT

This Mother's Day, make a bright gift for someone special in your life.



What you need:

- Scissors
- Cardstock
- Tape
- Mason jar
- Primer paint
- Acrylic paint (3 colors)
- Paintbrushes
- Battery-operated tea light
- Paper and pen
- Hole punch
- Twine

What you do:

1. Cut out two cardstock hearts and tape them to the jar sides, near the bottom.
2. Paint the entire jar with primer paint. Let dry.
3. Paint splotches of acrylic paint over the primer. Let dry. Remove the heart shapes.
4. Place the tea light in the jar.
5. Write a note that says, "Mom, you're the light of my life!" Punch a hole in one corner of the note, thread twine through the hole and tie the note around the jar's neck.

Peace With Justice Sunday - May 27

In Arizona border towns, communities facing social challenges are dramatically divided. In Liberian villages, citizens' human rights are being violated. In local U.S. communities, women and girls are being bought and sold against their will.

Moved by Christ's love to pursue reconciliation and peace, honoring the dignity of every individual made in God's image, The United Methodist Church is unwilling to turn a blind eye to injustice.

Although you, and possibly even your congregation, may lack the resources alone to effect change in a broken world, your giving is vital for the UMC to continue its global ministries of reconciliation. Because of the Peace with Justice Sunday offering, the people of The United Methodist Church are able to make a difference together by sowing seeds—and yielding fruit!—of peace.

Equipping The United Methodist Church to Do Justice in Jesus' Name

When you give on Peace with Justice Sunday, your gift makes possible our critical kingdom work in the world. Because you give:

-) Methodists spearhead a peace ministry uniting Arizona border communities
-) United Methodists in Liberia are being equipped to implement the denomination's Social Principles to address social-

justice issue

-) Pennsylvania students are educating their community about sex-trafficking at home and abroad

These initiatives, and hundreds of other ones, are possible because you give.

Your Giving Makes Possible the Proclamation of Christ's Peace

Will you continue to support Peace with Justice Sunday? Will you empower local Christians—in Pennsylvania and Arizona and Liberia—to build the kingdom of peace that Jesus ushered in?

In Jesus' inaugural address, standing in his home synagogue in Nazareth, he detailed his game plan,

"The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to set the oppressed free, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor." (Luke 4:18-19)

Through your giving good news is proclaimed to—and experienced by—the poor.

Thanks be to God!



Groton Confirmation

April 29th

Congratulations to Ryder Daly and Andrea Davidson on being confirmed and joining the church April 29th during worship.



Groton June Family Committee

Kami & Tom Lipp, Tanae

- Brian Bahr
- Dion & Sam Bahr
- Doug Bahr
- Steve & Becky Diegel, Treyton
- Lucy & Andy Daly, Chloe Crosby
- John & Meri Erickson
- Adrienne & Tigh Flihs
- Scott & Myndi Kampa
- Julie & Jesse Morehouse
- Janice Raap
- Karen & Ian Rose
- Marjae & Dan Schinkel, Jasmine, Anthony
- William Zoellner

Honorary Members

-) Emery Sippel
-) Ida Hannon

June Responsibilities

-) Check Kitchen Supplies for the month
-) Check & Clean Oven and Fridge as necessary
-) Coffee Hour workers (make coffee, provide cookies, launder towels, and remove trash)
-) 2 Ushers for each Sunday
-) 1 Greeter for each Sunday
-) Straighten the Sanctuary Pews
-) Change the banners as needed as per schedule in back of family committee book
-) Maintain the Altar Flower Arrangements
-) Change decorations on tables in fellowship hall with the seasons

June 2018											
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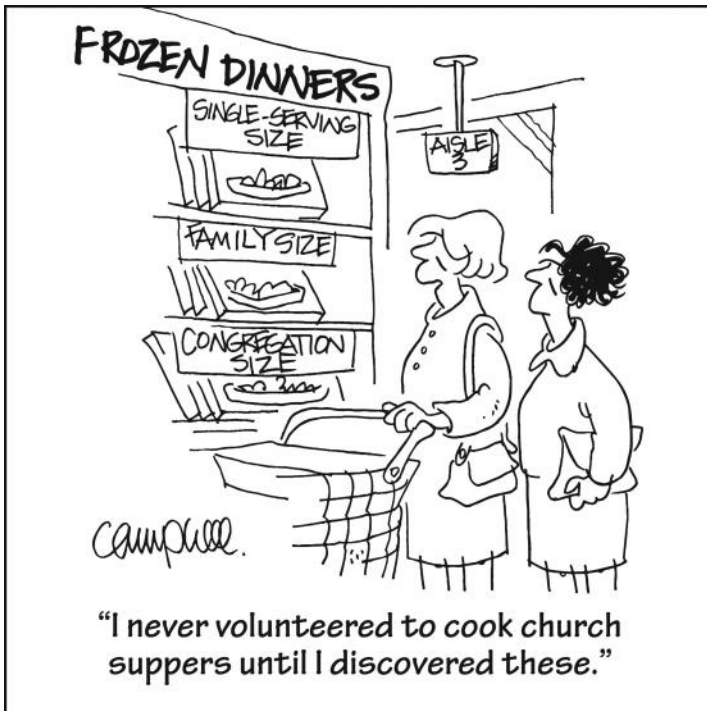
Groton Stewardship Report March 2018

Average Wkly Giving \$1,847

Needed Wkly for Church Mission \$2,347

Average Weekly Attendance Sunday 63

Total Building Fund Donations for Repairs \$55



Groton UMC Mission

**ENRICHING SPIRITUAL
LIVES
THROUGH CHRIST**

Conde MISSION STATEMENT
 "The Conde United Methodist Church is seeking to satisfy the spiritual and physical needs of all."

Our Church Happenings

May 2018						
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13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

- | May 6 Camp Sunday
- | May 6 Last Day of Sunday School in Groton
WATCH FOR UPCOMING VBS INFORMATION!
- | May 9 Groton Youth Group doing community service project
- | May 13 Mother's Day
- | May 13 Graduates are Honored during coffee hour and worship
- | May 16 Groton Ad Council 7 pm
- | May 17 Groton UMW Tea Party on Wheels 1:30 pm
- | May 20 Pentecost Sunday - Wear Red
- | May 20 Newsletter Items Due
- | May 27 Peace with Justice Sunday/Trinity Sunday
- | May 28 Memorial Day



Groton United Methodist Women

May Luncheon

Wednesday, May 2nd
serving from 11 am - 1 pm

Come and join us for lunch or make your own lunch to go
at the Groton United Methodist Church



No Reservation Required

Men & Women \$8 - Children 6 and under free

