

Evening Worship tonight at 6 pm.

PPR committee will meet on August 25 beginning at 6:30 as we prepare for our upcoming October Charge Conference. Members: Janice Conley, Chuck Crosby, Stanley McCall, Lenna Morris, Melisa Pace, Ken Sellers, Louis Stackley, Dan Stone, Alan Strawn, Sue Woodard.

Children Programs have started back on Wednesday's nights at 6:30 pm.

Have a great need for **Sunday School Teachers**. Please contact Elaine McCall at 375-3636 if you would be willing to teach.

Church Conference scheduled for Tuesday, **August 26th at 6 pm** in the fellowship hall.

UMW Meetings for August

Circle I - Meets Tuesday, August 26th at 7:00 pm at the home of Jan Stone.

Circle II - Meets Tuesday, August 26th at 5:00 pm in the church social hall.

Circle III - Meets Tuesday, August 26th at 9:30 am in the church social hall with hostess Donna Faught.

Circle V - Meets Monday, August 25th at 7:30 pm at the home of Kim Porter.

UMW Ladies...you will not have to be in charge of the Family Night supper in September due to the Mission team taking this month. However, in October for the Charge Conference on Tuesday, October 7th, Circle II and Circle III will be in charge that night.

Sunday Morning Breakfast list

- 8-17 Steve & Mildred Sellers
- 8-24 Melisa Pace & Megan Davenport
- 8-31 Jared Middleton & Alan Strawn



2008 Flower Calendar—If you would like a particular Sunday, please fill out the form and put in offering plate or call church office at 375-4555. Available dates: August, September & October. 8-31, 9-14, 9-28, 10-5 & 10-12.

Sunday _____

Given by _____

In Honor _____

In Memory _____

CHORAL RESPONSE "Amen" Chancel Choir

HYMN OF PREPARATION

OFFERTORY

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERING

†DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow/Praise Him all Creatures here below/Praise Him above ye heavenly host/Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

CHILDREN'S SERMON Mary Hulett

(After Children's Sermon is over, preschool through 4th grade is dismissed for Children's Church).

SOLO

†SCRIPTURE READING **Romans 12:1-8**

SERMON "Here Am I Lord, Use Me!" Rodney Porter

†HYMN OF INVITATION "Here I Am, Lord" No. 593

†BENEDICTION

†POSTLUDE

†(If able, please stand)

Sermon

There seems to be an appreciation for excellence--for the people who go beyond the ordinary and refuse to settle for second rate or second best. So the question for the day is, isn't it time for us to seek excellence in the way we live?

Children's church volunteer today - Joy Clifton

Children's church volunteer next Sunday – Rhonda Stone

USHERS: Milton Kirkland, Robert Kirkland, Lori Hancock, Benjamin Porter

OFFERING STEWARDS: Milton Kirkland, Robert Kirkland

Pennies to Pesos

Total Collected to date: \$530.80

Total Collected in Pesos: \$5340.90

HAZLEHURST FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

15th Sunday after Pentecost

August 24, 2008

PRELUDE

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Jared Middleton

†CALL TO WORSHIP (in unison)

Merciful God, hear our prayer. When we have made lives bitter with hard service or cruel words, forgive us and guide us back to your path of love and compassion. When we have imposed ourselves or our agendas on those around us, forgive us and help us to listen and cooperate with loving hearts. When we have been the oppressor, forgive us and redeem us to be your people of justice and compassion. In the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace, we pray. Amen.

†PRAISE CHORUS "I Love You, Lord" CONGREGATION
**I love You, Lord, and I lift my voice to worship You. O my soul rejoice!
Take joy, my King, in what You hear: May it be a sweet, sweet sound in
Your ear.** (CLLI-1134089)

†OPENING HYMN "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms" No. 133

†RESPONSIVE READING Psalm 124 No. 846

†AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The Apostle's Creed No. 881

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

†GLORIA PATRI No. 70

Glory be to the Father/and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost/as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be/world without end. Amen.

LIVING THE MINISTRY

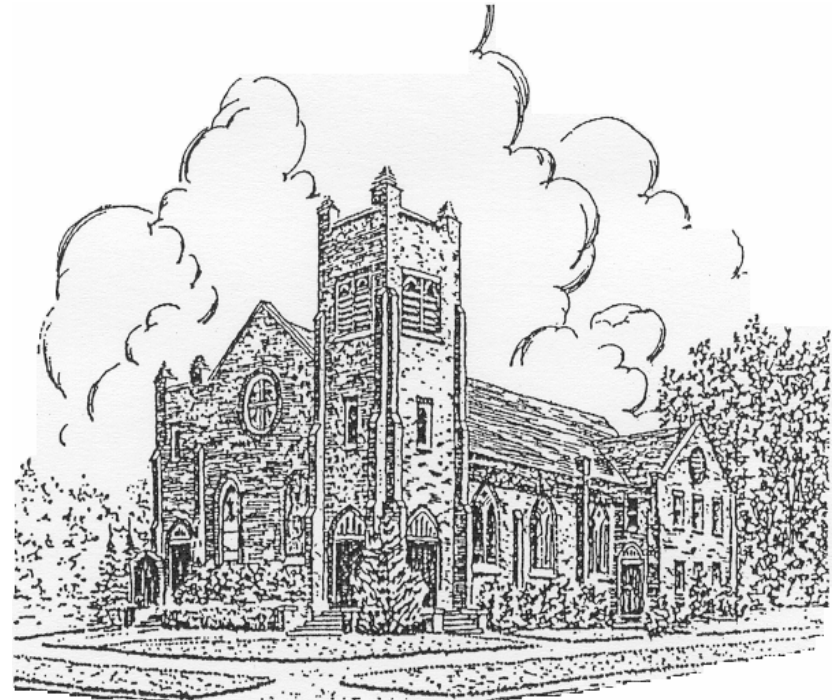
THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy Kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen

Have you welcomed a visitor today?

First United Methodist Church

Hazlehurst, Georgia



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Our Church Staff

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Minister of Music & Senior Adults -Jeffery Spell

Minister to Students and Families -Jared Middleton

Office Manager-Martha Lolley

Organist-Janice Cole

Custodian-Elaine McCall

Nursery-Jessica Miller

Pastor-Rodney Porter



The mission of the First United Methodist Church of Hazlehurst is to reach out and welcome people just as they are, lead persons to commit their lives to God through Jesus Christ, nurture and encourage them as disciples and send them out to help make our community more loving and just.