

Evening Worship tonight at 6 pm.
Mexico Mission Team Meeting following service.

Senior Night Out- Friday, November 14th at 6 pm at First Baptist Church Social Hall. Please let Nita McLeod know you are coming by calling 253-4206 or Rebecca Burnett at 375-4543. Any Senior Adult 60 years plus is invited. Entertainment will be provided by Jeffery Spell and friends. Sponsoring by FFA Chapters from Jeff Davis Middle and High School.

Finance Meeting will be held November 17 at 6:00 pm in church parlor.
Called Church Conference will be held on November 17 beginning at 7 pm just before our regular council meeting. This church conference will be for the purposes of attaining a final vote to accept the monies from the will of Joe Frazier to establish a scholarship program for students in Jeff Davis and Appling counties. It will be held in the choir room.

Construction on the **Frazier Student Center** is Scheduled to begin Monday, November 17th. We are asking everyone to reserve parking closest to the church for those who need it during this time of growth.

Our monthly **Senior Adult Luncheon** will be Tuesday, November 18th at 11:45 A.M. in the fellowship hall. Everyone come and bring your favorite covered dish and enjoy being with friends.

Faith Sharing Book Study - Meets Tuesday, November 18th at 6 pm in church parlor. Working on chapter 6.

A **Pyrex Casserole Dish**, used at the ladies appreciation dinner is missing. Please return to Kay Purser at 375-7120.

White Christmas Fund - We are now accepting donations for our yearly White Christmas love offering which are Christmas gifts for our staff. You can place your gift in the offering plate marked White Christmas or bring your monies to the church office by Wednesday, December 17th.

Sunday Morning Breakfast list

11-23 Frank Rousset & Alex
11-30 Mary Sue Day & Barbara Swain
12-7 Gina Morris & Debbie Butler
12-14 Bro. Rodney Porter
12-21 Jane Baggett & Lenna Morris
12-28 Wendel & Mary Thomas



Poinsettia - will adorn our Sanctuary this holiday season. Remember a loved one or honor someone by placing a poinsettia for them. Call the Church office or place your order in the offering plate. Price is \$12.00 each.

Given by _____ How Many _____

Memory/Honor of: _____
(Circle one)

CHORAL RESPONSE "Amen" Chancel Choir
SOLO "Just A Closer Walk With Thee" Bill Summerlin
OFFERTORY "Feeling At Home In the Presence of Jesus" Bill Summerlin & Jeffery Spell
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 "City of Gold" Bill Summerlin
†SCRIPTURE READING 1 Thessalonians 5:11
SERMON "Have You Chosen to be Thankful?" Rodney Porter
†HYMN OF INVITATION "Pass Me Not, O Gentle Savior" No. 351
†BENEDICTION
†POSTLUDE
†(If able, please stand)

Sermons

A Thanksgiving Prayer

Loving God, our Father, we are grateful for pleasant circumstances in life. Your grace seeks us out, and in so many ways we have been blessed. We pray today for the kind of inner spirit that is not dependent upon favorable surroundings to produce a celebration of thanksgiving. We pray for the kind of spirit that looks for blessings even in the midst of difficulties, and that trusts in your grace even when it is difficult to do so. Make us to know that now and always we are held in your loving and powerful arms. Thank you, Father. In the name of Jesus we pray. Amen.

*The Flowers are placed in the Sanctuary Today,
in Honor of Ken & Shirley Shope's 51st Wedding Anniversary*

Children's church volunteer today - Mildred Sellers
Children's church volunteer next Sunday – Joy Clifton

USHERS: Gerry Hancock, Wayne Ussery, E.M. Wilkes III, Sue Woodard
OFFERING STEWARDS: Benny Joyner, Jimmy Morris

Pennies to Pesos
Total Collected to date: \$681.30
Total Collected in Pesos: \$8804.57

HAZLEHURST FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

27th Sunday after Pentecost

November 16, 2008

PRELUDE "Since Jesus Came into My Heart" Orchestra

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES Conner Coleman, Eleanor Hulett

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Jared Middleton

†CALL TO WORSHIP (in unison)

God of light and love, help us walk in your light and live in your love. Open our eyes, to see your face in everyone we meet. Open our ears to hear your call as you speak and call us to serve. Open our hearts to love the works of your hands, a world in need of your love. Open our minds to understand your word and your truth this day. Amen.

†PRAISE CHORUS "I Will Enter His Gates" CONGREGATION
I will enter His gates with thanksgiving in my heart; I will enter His courts with praise. I will say, "This is the day that the Lord has made!" I will rejoice for He has made me glad. He has made me glad; He has made me glad. I will rejoice for He has made me glad. (CLLI-1134089)

†OPENING HYMN "There's Within My Heart a Melody" No. 380

†RESPONSIVE READING Psalm 76 No. 797

†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

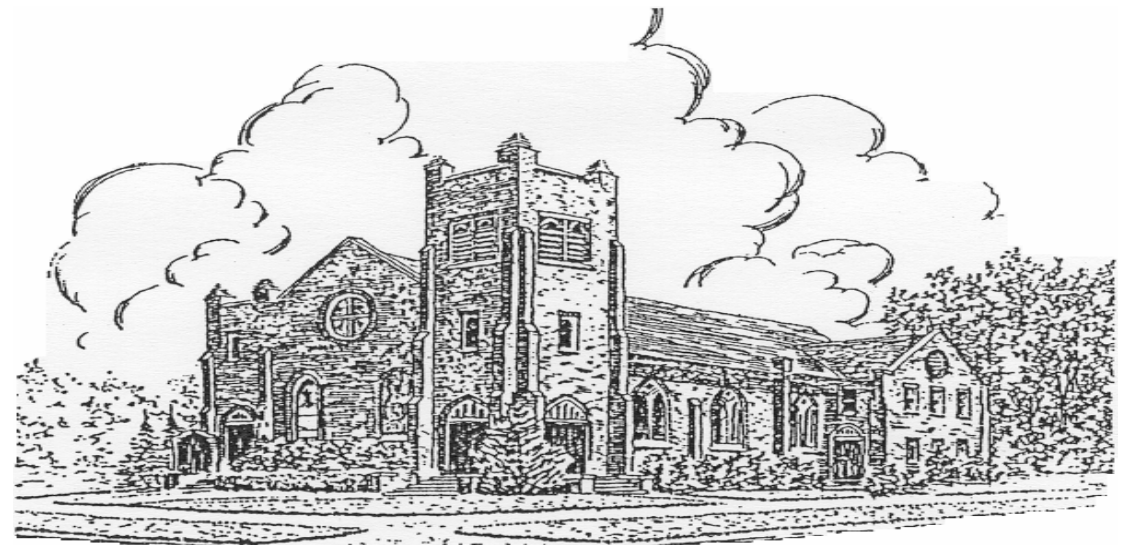
Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy Kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the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

Have you welcomed a visitor today?

Calendar dates for December due this Wednesday, November 19th by 10:00 am.

First United Methodist Church
Hazlehurst, Georgia

Services available on web site: www.hazlehurstmethodist.org



Our Church Staff

Ministers-Congregation
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



Hazlehurst 1st UMC is a
Safe Sanctuary



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.