

Evening Worship tonight at 6 pm.

Faith Sharing Book Study - January 6th at 6 pm in the parlor.

Baby Shower

Itsy baby fingers,
Bitsy baby toes,
Teeny baby mouth,
Tiny baby nose...
We're having a shower
For a very special
Mother and baby boy
Honoring: Robin Middleton
Date: Sunday, January 11, 2009
Time: 2-4 pm
Place: First Methodist Fellowship Hall
Given by: *The ladies of First Methodist*

Sunday Morning Breakfast List

- 1-4-09 Steve & Mildred Sellers
- 1-11-09 Melisa Pace & Megan Davenport
- 1-18-09 Alan Strawn
- 1-25-09 Janice Conley



Upper Room/Christian Reader for January - February are in the Vestibules. Please pick up a copy as you leave.



2009 Flower Calendar—If you would like to sign up for a particular Sunday, please fill out the form and put in offering plate or call church office at 375-4555.

Sunday _____
 Given by _____
 In Honor _____
 In Memory _____

CHORAL RESPONSE Amen” Chancel Choir
 OFFERTORY Jennifer Elder Hufford
 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
 (There is no Children’s Church on Communion Sundays)

SOLO Jared Middleton

†SCRIPTURE READING Ephesians 1:3-14

SERMON “Karma vs. Destiny” Rodney Porter

SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION: Word and Table II 12

†HYMN OF INVITATION “Because He Lives” No. 364

†BENEDICTION

†POSTLUDE

†(If able, please stand)

Sermon

Do you believe in destiny? Do you believe you were put on this earth for a purpose? Do you believe that written into your very genes is an ideal script for your life? And if you do believe there is a purpose for your life, do you believe that you have found it?

Assisting in Communion today - Alan Strawn

Children’s church volunteer today- Communion

Children’s church volunteer next Sunday - Chuck Coleman

USHERS: Chuck Coleman, Buck Elder, Frank Roussert, Steve Sellers

OFFERING STEWARDS: Carroll Girtman, Buddy Spann

Pennies to Pesos

Total Collected to date: \$700.10

Total Collected in Pesos: \$9467.10

Communion Rail Donations

Any money left at the Communion rail goes to our Helping Hands Food Pantry.

Have you welcomed a visitor today?

HAZLEHURST FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Epiphany Sunday
January 4, 2009

PRELUDE "Count Your Many Blessing" Orchestra
LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES Conner Coleman, Eleanor Hulett
WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Jared Middleton
†CALL TO WORSHIP (in unison)

God of the star, guide us as we seek to walk in the light and path of love. As followers of the light, may we shine your glory and your justice into every corner of the world. We rejoice as we claim our identity as people of the light. We celebrate the brightness of your dawn! We worship in confidence that you will empower and enable us to offer your light and your love to all the world. We pray in the name of the Star-Child, Jesus Christ. Amen.

†OPENING HYMN "Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty" No. 64

†RESPONSIVE READING Psalm 72:1-17 No. 795

†AFFIRMATION OF FAITH A Modern Affirmation No. 885

Leader: Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is the one true church, apostolic and universal, whose holy faith let us now declare.

All: We believe in God the Father, infinite in wisdom, power, and love, whose mercy is over all his works, and whose will is ever directed to his children's good. We believe in Jesus Christ, Son of God and Son of man, the gift of the Father's unfailing grace, the ground of our hope, and the promise of our deliverance from sin and death. We believe in the Holy Spirit as the divine presence in our lives, whereby we are kept in perpetual remembrance of the truth of Christ, and find strength and help in time of need. We believe that this faith should manifest itself in the service of love as set forth in the example of our blessed Lord, to the end that the kingdom of God may come upon the earth. 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.

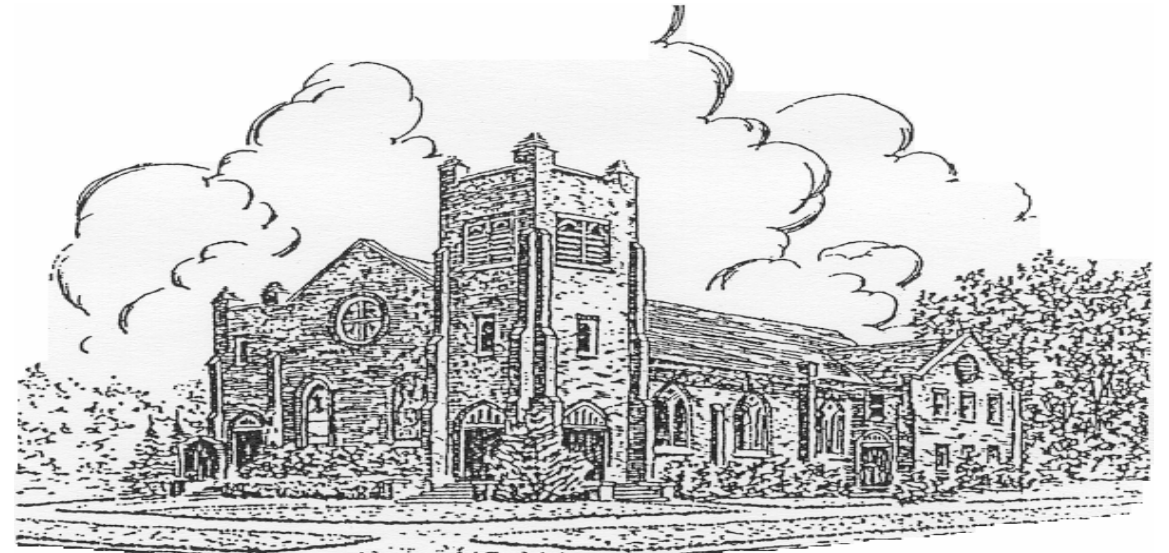
LIVING THE MINISTRY

PASTORAL PRAYER AND 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.

First United Methodist Church Hazlehurst, Georgia

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Our Church Staff

Ministers-Congregation
Minister of Music & Senior Adults -Jeffery Spell
Minister to Students and Families -Jared Middleton
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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.