

Evening Worship 6 pm.

Confirmation Classes today at 5 pm.

**Sunday Morning Breakfast list**

- 10-8 Bayne & Carole Stone
- 10-15 Jenna Morris & Debbie Butler
- 10-22 Donna Faught & Mary Hewlett
- 10-29 Bro. Rodney, Jeffery Spell & Jared Middleton



**UMW General Meeting**—October 2nd at 7 pm in the social hall.

**Lasagna Dinner**—Sponsored by UMW Circle 1, Sunday, October 22nd.

The **Church Directory Committee** will meet on October 8 at 2 pm in the Pastor’s Office to begin doing the layouts. All committee members are asked to attend.

**Forever Young**—Meets on Thursday, October 5th at 5:30 pm to go to the Catfish House in Douglas.

**Bible Study-Tape by David Jeremiah**

If the news on T.V. is depressing you. Join the Bible study on the signs of the second coming. Starting on October 18th—December 13th  
Time: 10:30 am—12:00 noon, Place: Church Parlor  
Call Donna Faught 375-7624 or church office to order your book.

September Church Council Minutes are available in the rear of the sanctuary if anyone would like a copy.

**Financial Update**

Actual 2006 Budget dollars needed through September 24, 2006-\$218,015  
Received through September 17, 2006 - \$192,094.  
Deficit for 2006 thus far – (\$25,921)

**2006 Flower Calendar** If you would like to sign up please fill out the form and put in offering plate or call Martha Lolley 375-4555 at the church office. Sunday’s available for October, November & December. 10-1, 10-8, 11-19, 12-10 & 12-31.

Sunday \_\_\_\_\_

Given by \_\_\_\_\_

In Honor \_\_\_\_\_

In Memory \_\_\_\_\_

**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 glory forever. Amen*

CHORAL RESPONSE “Amen” Chancel Choir

HYMN OF PREPARATION “What a Friend We Have in Jesus” No. 526

OFFERTORY Brother Rodney

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERING

†DOXOLOGY

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

ANTHEM “At Calvary” Chancel Choir

†SCRIPTURE READING James 1:12-18

SERMON “Prevenient Grace: The Wooing of God” Brother Rodney

†HYMN OF INVITATION “Grace Greater than Our Sin” No. 365

†BENEDICTION

†POSTLUDE

†(If able, please stand)

**Sermon**

**Prevenient Grace is God’s activities of wooing us from the moment of our conception into a loving relationship. It is a grace that prevents us from moving so far from God that we aren’t able to respond to the offer of love.**

**USHERS:** Youth

**OFFERING STEWARDS:** James Carter, Kerry Harrison

HAZLEHURST FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

17th Sunday after Pentecost  
October 1, 2006

PRELUDE

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

†CALL TO WORSHIP (in unison)

**God of all the nations, we know that there are people who are suffering, around the world and in our midst. Be with everyone who needs your healing touch. Help us to have the faith of Elijah that we might pray without ceasing for all persons in need. Join our prayers with those of the faithful in every corner of your creation. And in the unity of our prayer, God, help us to be at peace with one another. Amen.**

†PRAISE CHORUS "Awesome God" CONGREGATION

**Our God is an awesome God; He reigns from heaven above with wisdom, power and love, Our God is an awesome God! Our God is an awesome God; He reigns from heaven above with wisdom, power and love, Our God is an awesome God!**

†OPENING HYMN "O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing" No. 57

†RESPONSIVE READING Psalm 124 No. 846

†AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The Apostles 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.*

CHILDREN'S SERMON Kim Porter

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

# First United Methodist Church Hazlehurst, Georgia



## Our Church Staff

Ministers-Congregation

Minister of Music & Senior Adults -Jeffery Spell

Minister of Youth -Jared Middleton

Office Manager-Martha Lolley

Nursery-Jessica Miller

Organist-Janice Cole

Pianist-Tammy Dyal

Custodian-Elaine McCall

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.