

WEEKLY CALENDAR

FRIDAY, November 16, 2007
 OFFICE CLOSED
 6:45 am — Promise Keepers

SUNDAY, November 18, 2007
 9:45 am — Sunday School
 11:00 am — Morning Worship (Shoe Box Dedicated Service)
 6:00 pm — Evening Worship

MONDAY, November 19, 2007
 6:00 pm — Finance Meeting (Parlor)
 7:00 pm — Church Council (Choir Room)

TUESDAY, November 20, 2007
 11:45 am — Senior Adult Luncheon

WEDNESDAY, November 21, 2007
 10:00 am - Calendar dates due for December
 NO church activities

THURSDAY, November 22, 2007
 Thanksgiving Day - Office Closed

FRIDAY, November 23, 2007
 OFFICE CLOSED

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 FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF HAZLEHURST, GA

Wednesday, November 14, 2007

THANK YOU'S

Thank you for the cards expressing your love and prayers following Willie's leg injury. He is improving every day with the rehabilitation he's receiving but most of all from prayer. I am truly blessed to be a part of a kind, thoughtful church family.
 Bonnie Bennett

We thank you for the prayers for Walter Hinson who fell at Pine-land trying to stop the fall of his wife Ruby Jo. Walter dislocated his left shoulder. After the doctor re-set his shoulder he developed some breathing problems and had to be put in ICU. Ruby is doing fine from her fall, but still needs prayers. Give thanks in all things. We are thankful for your love and prayers.
 Walter & Ruby Jo Hinson

Dear Members,
 I've been away from Hazlehurst for 20 years; so you can imagine my surprise as I received "get well" wishes from so many Sunday School Classes and Circles. As I read the names signed on each card, it brought back wonderful memories. I'm doing great and appreciate each of you.
 Hazlehurst First Methodist is truly missionary in spirit.
 With love and thanks,
 Pat Biggerstaff

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OUR CHURCH STAFF

- Ministers.....Congregation
- Minister of Music & Senior Adults.....Jeffery Spell
- Minister to Students and Families.....Jared Middleton
- Office Manager.....Martha Lolley
- Nursery.....Jessica Miller
- Organist.....Janice Cole
- Custodian.....Elaine McCall
- Pastor.....Rodney Porter



Sunday, November 18th is the deadline for bringing your Christmas Shoeboxes to the Church. Those that bring them Sunday can place them into the Sanctuary at the altar. Please keep Brother Rodney, Jared and Alan in your prayers as we prepare for this trip to Mexico. We are also accepting donations to help defray costs and monies can be place in the offering plate marked Mexico trip or you can bring your gifts to the church office.

OUR PRAYERS

Please Pray For: Jimmy Lowe (Cancer), Rev. Hamp Watson, Barbara Pace Carter, Travis Rowland, Ruby Antwine (Lynn Spell's Mother), Carolyn Lynn, Walter & Ruby Jo Hinson, Sanford Faught.

OUR PRESENCE

Sunday, November 11, 2007

Sunday School.....	91
Morning Worship	135
Evening Worship.....	35

OUR GIFTS

STEWARDSHIP REPORT For the week November 11, 2007

General Budget Received — \$3829.21
General & Special Accounts Received — \$3,854.21
Total Paid on 2007 Apportionments — \$9,540.00

LIVING MEMORIALS

To Thelma Tillman by Charles Dennard, Margaret Cochran, Mary Nell Hays, Friendship Class, Carroll & Gloria Girtman, Walter & Ruby Jo Hinson, Ollie Wilson.

To Joy Hardie by Margaret Cochran, Glenda & Neil Girtman.

To Daci Nail by Carroll & Gloria Girtman.

To Joe Earl Rentz by Mary Nell Hays

To Gene Bailey by Marilyn Sayles, E.M. & Patricia Wilkes.

To J.C. Davis by E.M. & Patricia Wilkes.

To Rosie McElveen by Ollie Wilson.



ASSISTING IN WORSHIP November, 2007

USHERS: Elaine McCall, Lisa Jowers, Melissa Pace, Angie Sellers

OFFERING STEWARDS: Benny Joyner, Jimmy Morris

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP December, 2007

USHERS: Charles Cole, Kerry Harrison, Phil Merritt, Joe Swain

OFFERING STEWARDS: Jimmy Maley, Alan Strawn

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Hanging of the Greens service will be Sunday, November 25th beginning at 6 pm.

White Christmas

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.

Sponsor a Child

Department of Human Resources will be providing presents for 40 plus children in Foster Care this year. Their asking your help to provide one nice gift and two inexpensive gifts for a child. If you can sponsor a child, please call 375-3942 to be assigned a child. Need gifts (unwrapped) by December 7th.

Meetings:

Finance - Monday, November 19th - 6 pm-(Parlor)

Council - Monday, November 19th - 7 pm-(Choir Room)

Wednesday Night Children's Program

Need volunteers for the Wednesday night Children's program. If you can help out on Wednesday's call Carla Coleman at 375-4288.

You're Invited

Glenda and Neil Girtman would like to invite you to an informal reception honoring their parents, Gloria and Carroll Girtman's 60th Wedding Anniversary. Saturday, November 17th in the church social hall from 2-4 pm.

Special Thanks

Special thanks to all the UMW ladies that worked hard to made the Appreciation Dinner a great success. The tables were lovely and the food and fellowship was great. World Thank Offering received Monday night was \$500.00. Also a special thanks to all the ladies that help to make the Christian Ladies Fellowship a great day this month. Everyone came together on short notice and provided for that special event.

Children Church Volunteers

11-18 Mildred Sellers

11-25 Joy Clifton

12-9 Rhonda Stone

12-16 Brenda Merritt



Sunday Morning Breakfast list

11-18 Lenna, Jane & Fonda

11-25 Jackie & Jimmy Lowe

12-2 Gina Morris & Debbie Butler

12-9 Melisa Pace & Megan Davenport



NOTES FROM JEFFERY

Senior Adults: Our monthly Senior Adults Luncheon will be held Tuesday, Nov. 20th at 11:45 A.M. in the fellowship hall. Rev. Rick Brown will be our special guest.. Everyone come and bring your favorite covered dish and enjoy being with friends.

Music Ministry Christmas Party...everyone mark your calendars now and reserve the date, Wed., Dec. 19th! Location and time to be announced later!

There will be no Handbell **OR** Chancel Choir rehearsals this Sunday, Nov. 18th. There will also be no Chancel Choir rehearsal Wednesday, Nov. 21st due to Thanksgiving holidays with family. ***We will resume rehearsals on Sunday, Nov. 25th with the Handbells at 2:00 P.M. and the Chancel Choir at 4:00 P.M. **I need everyone to be at the remaining rehearsals!**

Our Christmas musical, **On This Every Night**, will be presented on Sunday evening, December 16th at 7:00 P.M. The Handbells will also be presenting their special Christmas music for the holiday season. This Christmas, stand in the shoes of those who first heard the news that Christ was coming. On this very night, everything's changed: God is among us! We look forward to a great evening celebrating the birth of our Lord!

Notes from Jared

Well my bags aren't quite packed but I'm ready to go! And go I will in the coming weeks. Be in prayer for me as I leave this Thursday for the National Youth Workers Convention. I'll be attending this conference with several youth pastors from the area as well as about 9,000 youth workers! Most of the programming and resources we will use in the coming year will come from this event. Then I'll be back in town for Thanksgiving before we head off again to Mexico. Let me just say that it is a blessing to be a part of a student ministry team with the volunteer staff to be able to do these types of events that will make our ministry better!

Let me remind you that there will be **NO** Wednesday night activities Nov. 21st.

WEE NEWS

Announcing the birth of Emma Kate Bookhardt born on October 5th weighting 7 pd 5 ozs. She's the daughter of Max and Lindsey Bookhardt, Granddaughter of Phil and Brenda Merritt and James and Anne Bookhardt.