

## No Evening Worship tonight.

**Staff-Parish** meets March 25th at 6:30 pm in the church parlor. Members: Janice Conley, Chuck Crosby, Stanley McCall, Lenna Morris, Melisa Pace, Ken Sellers, Louis Stackley, Dan Stone, Alan Strawn and Sue Woodard.

### Scholarship Applications

Graduating Senior and College Students, Scholarship applications are available in the church office and soon to be on the church web site. The scholarships are for the 2008-2009 school year and due back in by March 26th.

**March 30** had been set aside as Staff Appreciation Sunday during the Morning Worship Service. We will have a covered dish meal to follow the service. For more information contact Dan Stone.

**How is your Spanish?** Are you interested in learning a little? We will be having an 8 session "Conversational" Spanish class beginning April 1 at 7:15 in the Fellowship Hall. Call the church office if you would like to sign up. This will be open to anyone in the church or community who is interested.

### Reminder

Leigh Spann Hughes Bridal Shower, Thursday, March 27th in the fellowship hall from 7 to 8:30 pm.

### UMW Meetings

**UWM Circle 1** - Meets Tuesday, March 25th in the home of Maria Rea at 7 pm.

**UWM Circle 2** - Meets Tuesday, March 25th at 5 pm in the church social hall.

**UWM Circle 3** - Meets Tuesday, March 25th at 9:30 am in the church social hall with hostesses Gloria Girtman and Louise Spann.

**UWM Circle 5** - Meets Monday, March 24th at 7:30 pm in home of Tricia Wilkes.

### UMW Sunday, April 13th

Babies born in 2007 will be recognized with a gift to missions in their honor. A luncheon for all ladies will follow the service. Any church member may honor a baby born into their family with a \$10 mission gift. Please call the church office if you would like to honor a baby born into your family in 2007.

### Sunday Morning Breakfast list

3-30 Frank Roussert & Jackie Lowe  
4-6 Gina Morris & Debbie Butler  
4-11 Jane, Lenna & Fonda



CHORAL RESPONSE "Amen" Chancel Choir  
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).  
ANTHEM "Christ Arose" Chancel Choir  
†SCRIPTURE READING John 20:1-18  
SERMON "The Real New Year Day!" Rodney Porter  
†HYMN OF INVITATION "He Lives" No. 310  
†BENEDICTION  
†POSTLUDE  
†(If able, please stand)

### Sermon

**The church, as the body of Christ, should dare to offer itself - before all else - for the sake of others. We can boldly call out - send me - wherever we may find ourselves - because the Easter secret is that It's a New Day -- yesterday is gone - It's a New Day!**

*The Easter Lilies are placed in the Sanctuary today,  
in Honor of Our Lord and Savior*

**Children's church volunteer today** - Roxie Crosby  
**Children's church volunteer next Sunday** – Gay Harrison

**USHERS:** Chuck Coleman, Pam Harrell, Andrew Maley, Steve Sellers  
**OFFERING STEWARDS:** Roger Lynn, Jim Sewell

**Pennies to Pesos**  
**Total Collected: \$431.92**  
**Total Pesos: \$4,648.10**

**Have you welcomed a visitor today?**

HAZLEHURST FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Easter Sunday  
March 23, 2008

# First United Methodist Church Hazlehurst, Georgia

PRELUDE

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Jared Middleton

ANTHEM

"It is Finished"  
Soloist - Brian Sellers

Chancel Choir

†CALL TO WORSHIP (in unison)

**The tomb is empty; Jesus is not here! Christ is risen from the grave! We shall not die, but live. Let us raise glad songs of victory! This day God has brought life from death, and opened the gates of righteousness. Let us enter God's gates with thanksgiving! Amen.**

†PRAISE CHORUS

"I Live"

CONGREGATION

**I live, I live because He is risen; I live, I live with power over sin. I live, I live because He is risen; I live, I live to worship Him. Thank You, Jesus, thank You, Jesus; Because You're alive, because You're alive, Because You're alive, I live!**  
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†OPENING HYMN

"Christ the Lord Is Risen Today"

No. 302

†RESPONSIVE READING

Psalms 31:1-4, 9-16

No. 764

†AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

From 1 Corinthians and Colossians

No. 888

*Leader: This is the good news which we have received, in which we stand, and by which we are saved.*

*All: Christ died for our sins, was buried, was raised on the third day, and appeared first to the women, then to Peter and the Twelve, and then to many faithful witnesses. We believe Jesus is the Christ, the Anointed One of God, the firstborn of all creation, the firstborn from the dead, in whom all things hold together, in whom the fullness of God was pleased to dwell by the power of the Spirit. Christ is the head of the body, the church, and by the blood of the cross reconciles all things to God. Amen*

†GLORIA PATRI

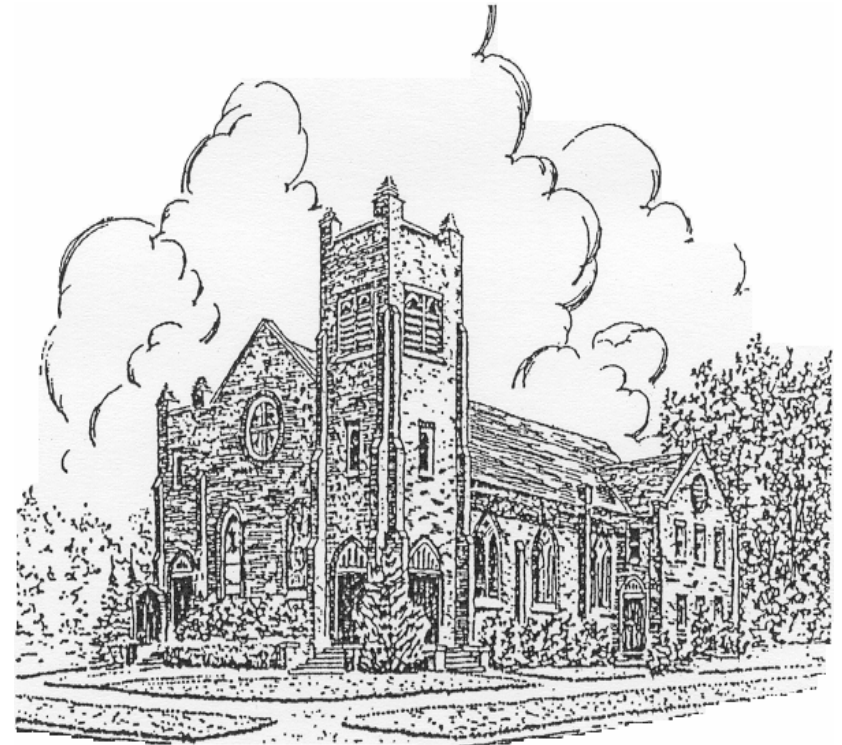
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*Glory be to the Father/and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost/as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be/world without end. Amen.*

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*



## 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



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.