

HAZLEHURST FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

4th Sunday in Lent
March 18, 2007

PRELUDE

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP (in unison)

The steadfast love of the Lord endures forever! O give thanks to the Lord, for God is good. Although we are sick in our hearts, we know God's forgiveness comes. God listens to our prayers and responds. God loved us so much he sent Jesus to be our light and our Savior. God is rich in mercy and forgiveness! 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! (CLLI-I 134089)

OPENING HYMN "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms" No. 133

RESPONSIVE READING Psalm 32 No. 766

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.

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

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 "In the Garden" No. 314

OFFERTORY

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 "The Old Rugged Cross" Chancel Choir

SCRIPTURE READING Luke 23:33-43

SERMON "Anchor Your Faith to the Rock" Rodney Porter

HYMN OF INVITATION "My Hope Is Built" No. 368

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

If able, please stand)

Sermon

**The main thing is that Jesus Christ died on the cross for our sins
The main thing is that God raised Jesus from the dead.
The main thing is that human struggle entails suffering
The main thing is also that you'll not suffer alone. God suffers with you
The main thing is that if God is for us, who can be against us?**

*The Flowers are placed in the Sanctuary today
by Susie Reed in Memory of her Mother
Louise Hand*

Children's church volunteer today-Lisa lowers **Children's church volunteer next Sunday-** Chuck Coleman

USHERS: Chuck Coleman, Stanley McCall, Alan Strawn, Jess Woodard
OFFERING STEWARDS: Iim Peterson, Jim Sewell

Evening Worship 6 PM

Meetings:

Leadership Team	Sunday, March 18th	4:30 P.M.
Finance Council	Monday, March 19th	6 pm, Parlor
Trustees	Monday, March 19th	7 pm, Choir Room
	Tuesday, March 20th	6:30 pm , Parlor

Senior Adults: Our monthly Senior Adult Luncheon will be Tuesday, March 20th @ 11:45 A.M. in the fellowship hall. Sam Roberts of Broxton will present an exciting program! Everyone come and bring your favorite covered dish and enjoy a good time.

Forever Young will be cancelled in April because of Holy Week. Will meet again in May.

UMW Meetings for March

- Circle 1**-Meets Tuesday, March 27th at 7 pm at the home of Maria Rea.
Circle 2-Meets Tuesday, March 27th at 7 pm at the home of JoAnn Jump.
Circle 3-Meets Tuesday, March 27th at 9:30 am in Social Hall with hostess Louise Spann.
Circle 5-Meets Monday, March 26th at 7:30 pm at the home of Shirley White.

Sunday Morning Breakfast list

- 3-25 Bayne & Carole Stone
4-1 Donna Faught & Mary Hulett
4-8 Gina Morris & Debbie Butler
4-15 Elaine & Stanley McCall
4-22 Jimmy & Jackie Lowe
4-29 Janice Conley

Budget needed through March 11, 2007: \$59,090

Received through March 11, 2007: \$57,886

Deficit: \$1204

2007 Flower Calendar—If you would like a particular Sunday, please fill out the form and put in offering plate or call church office at 375-4555. Sunday's available for April, May & June. 4-1, 5-6, 5-13, 5-20, 5-27, 6-17 & 6-24.

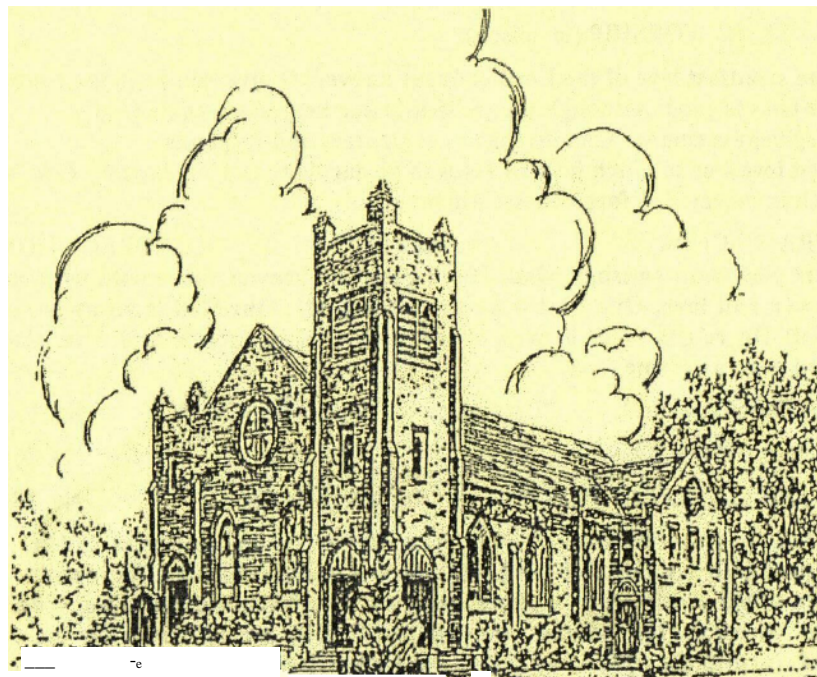
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Given by _____

In Honor _____

In Memory_ _____

First United Methodist Church Hazlehurst, Georgia



Our Church Staff

Ministers-Congregation

Minister of Music & Senior Adults -Jeffery Spell

Minister of Youth -Tared Middleton

Office Manager-Martha Lolley

Organist-Janice Cole

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Nursery-Jessica Miller

Pastor-Rodnev Porter



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