

WEEKLY CALENDAR

FRIDAY, October 12, 2007

OFFICE CLOSED

6:45 am — Promise Keepers

Anna Purser Rehearsal

SATURDAY, October 13, 2007

6:00 pm - Anna Purser Wedding

SUNDAY, October 14, 2007

9:45 am — Sunday School

11:00 am — Morning Worship

12:00 pm — Garrett-Lynn Chicken Dinner (Fellowship Hall)

6:00 pm — Evening Worship

MONDAY, October 15, 2007

6:00 pm — Finance Meeting (Parlor)

7:00 pm — Church Council (Choir Room)

TUESDAY, October 16, 2007

11:45 am — Senior Adult Luncheon

WEDNESDAY, October 17, 2007

6:00 pm — Children's Program

6:45 pm — All Youth

7:15 pm — Chancel Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, October 18, 2007

10:00 am—Senior Prayer

6:00 pm — Family Night Supper (Fellowship Hall)

7:00 pm — Charge Conference (Fellowship Hall)

FRIDAY, October 19, 2007

OFFICE CLOSED

6:45 am—Promise Keepers

YOU'RE INVITED

Everyone is invited to Wayne & Fonda Ussey's Anniversary party on Saturday, November 3rd from 2 pm to 5 pm in the church social hall.

Port-A-Pit BBQ

Amazing Grace Church is have a building fundraiser on Friday, October 19th. Chicken plates sell for \$7.00 each with 1/2 chicken, potato salad, beans, texas toast and cake. Also have Slab of Ribs for \$17.00 and Boston Butt for \$18.00. Call Martha Lolley at 375-4555 or 375-5399 for tickets.

THE INFORMER

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OUR CHURCH STAFF

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Office Manager.....Martha Lolley
Nursery.....Jessica Miller
Organist.....Janice Cole
Custodian.....Elaine McCall
Pastor.....Rodney Porter

The Informer

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF HAZLEHURST, GA

Wednesday, October 10, 2007



Dear Friends,

I need to bring to the churches attention a brief report on the churches financial condition.

The bills and salaries are being paid on time, but our apportionment payments are far behind. Our apportionments for 2007 are \$44,822 and we have paid approximately \$5,500. Last year we had not paid this much and we ended the year paying our apportionment, but we had to borrow from one of our special accounts to do so.

As you are aware, Mr. Joe Frazier left the church money to go to the Youth, Music and Building programs. The Building program receives approximately \$1700 a month in interest from the money. The Finance Committee and the Trustees envisioned this money being used to make repairs to the church property. All one has to do is to look around our sanctuary to see the repairs that are needed. But, we have had to use the money to pay monthly utility bills and insurance on the property. Our giving has dropped since the announcement about Mr. Frazier's gift to the church.

On behalf of the Finance Committee, I am asking that each of us remember our pledge to support the church. Please pray for our church and respond in kind.

God Bless You,
Richard Deas
Chairman, Finance Committee

OUR PRAYERS

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

OUR PRESENCE

Sunday, October 7, 2007

Sunday School.....	88
Morning Worship	117
Evening Worship.....	36

OUR GIFTS

STEWARDSHIP REPORT For the week October 7, 2007

General Budget Received — \$6,600.00
General & Special Accounts Received — \$6,974.97
Total Paid on 2007 Apportionments — \$5,540.00

LIVING MEMORIALS

To James Pope by Ronnie & Patricia McNeal & Butterfly, Marilyn Sayles, Carroll & Gloria Girtman, Buck & Jane Elder, Louis Stackley, Anne G. Owens and Harry White, Mary Nell Hays, Margaret Cochran, E.M. & Patricia Wilkes.

To Elizabeth Girand by Marilyn Sayles.

To A.B. Cochran by Pat Biggerstaff.

To Joe Burns by Marilyn Sayles.

To Joe Earl Rentz by Marilyn Sayles, Margaret Cochran, E.M. & Patricia Wilkes.

To S.L. Powell by Marilyn Sayles.

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

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

To Rosie McElveen by Virginia Mills.



ASSISTING IN WORSHIP October, 2007

USHERS: Youth

OFFERING STEWARDS: James Carter, Kerry Harrison

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP November, 2007

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

OFFERING STEWARDS: Benny Joyner, Jimmy Morris

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Garrett-Lynn Chicken Dinner

The Garrett-Lynn class will be having a grilled chicken dinner on Sunday, October 14th at 12:00 pm. Plates cost \$6.00 each for Chicken, Baked Potato, Salad, Cake, Homemade Bread and Tea. Eat in or Take out. For tickets see someone from this class or call the church office.

Charge Conference

Charge Conference is Thursday October 18 beginning at 6 pm. We will have Family Night Supper followed with the Conference. Everything will be in the Fellowship hall. Also we will be taking up a special offering on this night for a Pastor in the South Georgia Conference who has gone on a leave of absence. Please be generous with your gifts.

Special Guest Speaker

Bishop Marion Edwards will be preaching this Sunday. Everyone is invited to come and welcome him back to Hazlehurst.

United Methodist Women Meetings:

Monday, October 22nd - 7:30 pm - UMW Circle 5.
Tuesday, October 23rd - 9:30 am - UMW Circle 3.
Tuesday, October 23rd - 7:00 pm - UMW Circle 2.
Tuesday, October 30th - 7:00 pm - UMW Circle 1.

Meetings:

Finance - Thursday, October 15th-6 pm-(Parlor)
Council - Thursday, October 15th-7 pm-(Choir Room)
UMM - Tuesday, October 23rd - 7 pm

Children's Church

We need volunteers for Children's church. All lessons are prepared, you just teach the lesson. Volunteers are rotated. If you will serve in this area of service please call Ronda Stone at 594-8380



Children Church Volunteers

10-14 Maria Rea
10-21 Chuck Coleman
10-28 Tricia Wilkes

Sunday Morning Breakfast list

10-14 Bayne & Carole Stone
10-21 Donna Faught & Mary Hulet
10-28 Wendel & Mary Thomas



NOTES FROM JEFFERY

Senior Adults: Our monthly Senior Adults Luncheon will be held Tuesday, October 16th at 11:45 A.M. in the fellowship hall. Laura Jo Upchurch will be our special guest. Everyone come and bring your favorite covered dish and enjoy being with friends.

*We have begun work on our Christmas musical, *On This Very Night*. Anyone interested in participating in the choir during this special seasonal performance, please let me know.

There will be a Snipesville Community Revival beginning Sunday October 21st through Friday, October 26th at the Snipesville Community Center. Rev. Van McCall will be the evangelist for the week and Jeffery will be leading the music each night with special guests. The Chancel Choir and the Handbell Team will be participating in the revival on Wednesday, October 24th.

Notes from Jared

Ski Trip spots are filling up fast! If you want to secure your spot you need to turn in your \$50 deposit.

Also, the time has come for paintball! We will go to Baxley for paintball Saturday November 3rd. Details coming soon.

THANK YOU'S

To All Participates in the UMW District Meeting

Thank you all for everything. Our church family really made the day special. We are truly blessed.

Again, Thank You
United Methodist Women

The First United Methodist Church,

We would like to extend a special Thank You for all the memorials, cards, phone calls, food and prayers that was sent for our family during the lost of our father.

Thanks for everything,
The Joe Earl Rentz Family

We'd like to thank everyone who participated in our G.I.F.T.S. program. For those that did the 60 minutes of service in 60 days would you please write a short paragraph and tell us what service you were involved in and how it went. Write-ups can be turned into the pastor or the church office.

Thanks - Rodney