

# South Hayward United Methodist Church

*Open Hearts, Open Minds, and Open Doors*

*Mother's Day*

*May 13, 2012 -- 10:30 AM*

**\*\*Those Who Are Able, Please Stand (PLEASE, silence your Cell Phone)**

***Child Nursery available – Just Ask an Attendant***

**Our guests and visitors are invited for refreshments following worship**

## **WE ENTER TO WORSHIP**

### **PRELUDE & PROCESSION OF THE LIGHT OF THE HOLY SPIRIT**

***“The Heavens Declare the Glory of God”***

***Benedetto Marcello***

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **WELCOME**

***Mildred Ancheta***

God's love creates a generous dwelling place. John writes of Jesus' love as a reality in which we abide, even as we provide this abode for others. This abode of love is a place of joy as well as of obedience given willingly—not out of the fear that separates servant from master, but out of the understanding that grows between friends: Jesus and his disciples. First John describes an even closer relationship: believers are born to our parent God.

#### **INTROIT**

***“Mother's Love”***

***SHUMC ENSEMBLE***

#### **INVITATION TO WORSHIP**

Come, sing a new song to God!

**Remember all the times full of wonder God has already saved us!**

Plug in the keyboard; tune up those guitars; try out the drums!

**Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth!**

Open the windows! Listen to the choirs outdoors, feathered and furred!

**Let the hills sing together for joy**

#### **\*\*INVOCATION (unison)**

**God of songs and marvels, old and new, your powerful love for this world continues to astound us. In these last days of Easter, we gather to recall the love that brought Jesus into this world and into our lives: as savior, friend, and brother. We thank you the special women in our lives, mothers, mentors, confidante and friend, for their love and**

**commitment to care for and love those around them. We thank you for welcoming us into your household and for trusting us with your marvelous work to draw all people into the spacious home of your love. Amen.**

#### **\*\*HYMN OF PRAISE**

***“Christ, from Whom All Blessings Flow”***

***UMH#550***

***(Vv 1, 2, 4 & 5)***

## **WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD TO US**

### **CHILDREN'S TIME**

#### **\*\*+THE PEACE OF CHRIST IS GIVEN TO ALL**

ONE: The peace of the living Christ be with you all!

ALL: And also with you!

#### **PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION**

***Mildred Ancheta***

#### **SCRIPTURE READING**

***John 15:9-17***

#### **ANTHEM**

***“Love Will Be Our Home”***

***SHUMC CHOIR***

#### **THE WORD FOR TODAY**

***“Friends”***

***Pastor Elmar***

#### **SHARING OUR JOYS & CONCERNS**

#### **HYMN OF DEDICATION**

***“Blest Be the Tie That Binds”***

***UMH#557***

***(Vv 1, 3)***

#### **PASTORAL PRAYER/DISCIPLE'S PRAYER**

***(V4)***

## **WE OFFER OUR SELVES & OUR GIFTS TO GOD**

We began our worship today with a psalm about the new songs that God inspires us to sing. In our Gospel lesson, we heard Jesus teaching his disciples a new song: a love song about Jesus' love for his disciples and for the world. Jesus hoped we would all join in singing and living out this new song of love. Today in giving to others, let us join in this song so that the whole world may hear the beautiful and welcoming melody of God's love.

#### **OFFERTORY**

***“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”***

***arr. Mark Hayes***

OFFERING

\*\*DOXOLOGY

\*\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

*Mildred Ancheta*

**WE DEPART TO SERVE**

HYMN OF BENEDICTION    *“We’ve a Story to Tell to the Nations”*    *UM#569*

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE    *“O Love That Will Not Let Me Go”*    *arr. John Rasley*  
*Please be seated until postlude is complete*

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**Flowers:** *Cynthia Elliott*

**Pastor:** *Elmar De Ocera*  
**Lay Leader:** *John Jandoc (interim Council Chair)*  
**Council Chair:** *Jon Cortez*  
**Offering Counters:** *Irene Potter*  
*Jully Laxamana*  
*Evelyn Russell*  
*Cynthia Elliott*

**Ensemble Director:** *Ed Keller*  
**Choir Director:** *Exie Granadosin*  
**Nursery:** *Gloria Morales*  
*Allison English*

mum mama mommy  
BEAUTIFUL  
*unconditional love*  
creative UNSELFISH  
LOVE U LOVE U LOVE U  
BELIEVES  
*life* patient GENTLE  
compassionate  
NURTURING  
*strength* DEVOTED

