

# South Hayward United Methodist Church

*Making Disciples of Jesus Christ for  
The Transformation of the World*

***Palm Sunday***

*March 24, 2013*

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

## **WE ENTER TO WORSHIP**

***(WE WILL START OUR WORSHIP SERVICE AS WE GATHER OUTSIDE. PLEASE  
GET A PALM BRANCH)***

### **WELCOME**

*Eva Basa*

This is the day that the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it! Give thanks to the Lord, for God's steadfast love endures forever. God's steadfast love endures even now.

### **INTROIT**

***"Hosanna" Christian Gregor***

***SHUMC Ensemble***

### **\*INVITATION TO WORSHIP**

Dear friends in Christ, during Lent we have been preparing by works of love and self-sacrifice for the celebration of our Lord's death and resurrection. Today we come together to begin this solemn celebration in union with the Church throughout the world. Christ enters his own city to complete his work as our Savior, to suffer, to die, and to rise again. Let us go with him in faith and love, so that, united with him in his sufferings; we may share his risen life.

**God our Savior, whose Son Jesus Christ entered Jerusalem as Messiah to suffer and to die, let these palms be for us signs of his victory; and grant that we who bear them in his name may ever hail him as our King, and follow him in the way that leads to eternal life; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, now and forever.**

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

***"Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"***

***See Insert***

***(As we sing our hymn of praise, we will enter the sanctuary waving our palm branches.)***

### **\*\*INVOCATION (Unison)**

**Lord Jesus, you are our good and gracious king. We offer our hearts, our minds, and our voices to you this day. We pray that you bless us with your presence and to help us hear the story of your love and your mercy toward all people. Help us to understand your way and to glorify your name by all that we say and do. Amen.**

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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

### **CHILDREN'S TIME**

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

**Children: The peace of the living Christ be with you!**

**Congregation: And also with you!**

### **CHORAL ANTHEM**

***"All Glory, Laud, and Honor"***

***SHUMC Chancel Choir***

### **PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION**

***Eva Basa***

### **SCRIPTURE READING**

***Luke 19:28-40***

**WORD OF GOD FOR TODAY *"From Palm Sunday to Good Friday"* Pastor Elmar**

### **SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS**

**HYMN OF DEDICATION *"Open Our Eyes, That I May See" (Vv 1, 2) UMH#454***

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

***(V 3)***

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

Let us thank God for his son Jesus Christ, who for our sake became poor that we might be rich. We thank Jesus Christ for the fact that he gave himself up to death so that we might rise to life. Let us offer our gifts of thanksgiving to the Lord so that they might bring blessings to God's name.

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OFFERTORY

*“The Palms”*

*Jean Baptiste Faure*

OFFERING

\*\*DOXOLOGY

*UMH#94*

\*\*THANKSGIVING PRAYER

*Eva Basa*

**WE DEPART TO SERVE**

\*\*HYMN OF BENEDICTION

*“Tell Me the Stories of Jesus”*

*UMH#277*

*As we sing our hymn, please come and place your palm branches on the altar*

\*\*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

*“The Holy City”*

*Adams/Bennett*

*Please remain seated until postlude is complete*

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

Flowers: *Beth Baker*

**Bishop:** *Rev. Warner Brown*    **District Superintendent:** *Renae Extrum-Fernandez*

**Pastor:** *Rev. Elmar R. De Ocera*

**Ensemble Director:** *Ed Keller*

**Lay Leader:** *Alde Sarmiento*

**Choir Director:** *Exie Granadosin*

**Council Chair:** *John Jandoc*

**Nursery:** *Gloria Morales*

**Offering Counters:** *Irene Potter*

*Allison English*

*Jully Laxamana*

*Evelyn Russell*

*Cynthia Elliott*



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