

South Hayward United Methodist Church

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

5th Sunday in Lent

April 6, 2014 -- 10:30 AM

****Those Who Are Able, Please Stand** (PLEASE, silence your Cell Phone)
Child Nursery available – Just Ask one of the ushers

WE ENTER TO WORSHIP

PRAISE SINGING

Kayla and Erin Cape

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE & PROCESSION OF THE LIGHT OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

“When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”

Mason/Martin

WELCOME

Isei Daveta

The God we serve is the God of life, the God of hope and the
God of new beginnings.

God is good! (All the time)

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****HYMN OF PRAISE**

“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”

UMH#384

****INVITATION TO WORSHIP**

Coming from places that have seen better days,

**God bids us to celebrate this day, a day full of new
possibilities.**

Coming with our breath taken away by grief,

**The Holy Spirit breathes new life within us, renewing our
connection with God and with one another.**

Coming to worship seeking a hope that will endure,

Christ unbinds the fetters that hold us in death, speaking
in word and sacrament, and building community for holy
service.

INTROIT

Fijian Language Ministry Choir

****INVOCATION (unison)**

God of life, present and promised, you are the One to whom we
call; for you are the One who hears, and you are the One who
acts, bringing us new life with your grace and love and
power. Lead us in our time of worship, that we may be
prepared to follow your lead in places where life is at risk,
places where hope seems far away, places where dreams die
during sleep. When we leave these walls, help us live the
teachings we proclaim within this place of worship, through
Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

WE LISTEN FOR GOD’S WORD TO US

CHILDREN’S TIME

****THE PEACE OF CHRIST IS GIVEN TO ALL**

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

All: And also with you!

ANTHEM

“God So Loved the World”

SHUMC Chancel Choir

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Isei Daveta

SCRIPTURE READING

John 11:29-45

THE WORD FOR TODAY

“Loosing and Letting Go”

Pastor Elmar

SHARING OUR JOYS & CONCERNS

HYMN OF DEDICATION *“In the Garden” (Vv 1, 2)* *UMH#314*

PASTORAL PRAYER/DISCIPLE’S PRAYER *(V3)*

Flowers:

Pastor: *Elmar De Ocera*
Lay Leader: *Alde Sarmiento*
Council Chair: *Alde Sarmiento*
Offering Counters: *Irene Potter*
Jully Laxamana
Evelyn Russell
Cynthia Elliott

Ensemble Director: *Ed Keller*
Choir Director: *Exie Granadosin*
Nursery: *Gloria Morales*
Alison English
Communion Servers:

WE OFFER OUR SELVES & OUR GIFTS TO GOD AS WE CELEBRATE

GOD’S PRESENCE IN COMMUNION

Ezekiel prophesied life to broken and broken bones. Jesus offered the bread of life to soon-to-be scattered disciples. In a field where life had been poured out, God poured out his spirit. At this table, in a cup poured out, and in bread broken, Jesus promises new life in God’s kingdom.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING – see insert

We Celebrate By Intinction and Sing Songs of Communion

Let Us Break Bread Together #618 One Bread, One Body #620

Eat This Bread #628 Take Our Bread #640

(After receiving the Communion elements, you are invited to come to the kneeler or stand in front of the altar to pray and to a prayer of blessing.)

WE DEPART TO SERVE

****HYMN OF BENEDICTION** *“He Lives”* *UMH#310*

****BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE *“He Will Carry You”* *Scott Wesley Brown*

Please be seated until postlude is complete



“Lazarus, come out!”