

South Hayward United Methodist Church

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

Palm Sunday

April 13, 2014 – 10:30 AM

*****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

Cynthia Elliott

Come into God's house with worship and praise. Where would we be without your love, O God? Without you, we are nothing. With all that we have and all that we are, we praise you, we bless you, we worship you, Lord.

INTROIT

"Hosanna"

SHUMC Ensemble

***INVITATION TO WORSHIP**

This is the day that the Lord has made.

Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

God's steadfast love endures forever.

The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.

This is the Lord's doing. It is marvelous in our eyes.

Bind the festival procession with branches.

Jesus is the gate of the Lord. The righteous enter through him.

This is the day that the Lord has made.

Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

****HYMN OF PRAISE**

"Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"

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

****INVOCATION (Unison)**

Holy Jesus, on this day when you were welcomed as king, we remember that in one week's time you were scorned and reviled by the same people who greeted you with shouts of praise and adoration; on this day when you were greeted with hosannas, we remember that your closest followers denied that they knew you, and abandoned you as you faced the cross. We are astonished at the complete and utter failure of human love. In the light of our failure, we are more astonished that through you, God's love for humanity is made manifest. We have nowhere to dwell but in your love. Amen.

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 all!

Congregation: And also with you!

ANTHEM

"Crown Him"

SHUMC Chancel Choir

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Cynthia Elliott

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 21:1-11

WORD OF GOD FOR TODAY

"The Dignified Donkey"

Pastor Elmar

SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS



*Hosanna to the son of David!
Blessed is the One who comes in
the name of the Lord!*