

South Hayward United Methodist Church

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

Epiphany Sunday/Communion Sunday

January 4, 2015-10:30 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

WELCOME

Pastor Rochelle

HYMNODY

Aurora Castro

ANNOUNCEMENTS/ GUESTS/BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

PRELUDE & PROCESSION & THE LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

“Noel of the Three Kings”

SHUMC Ensemble

INTROIT

Fijian Language Ministry Choir

****INVITATION TO WORSHIP (Isaiah 60, Matthew 2)**

Isei Daveta

Look around, God’s light shines in darkness.

The darkness fades like the waning night.

Look around you, God’s glory is all around.

Our hearts sing with joy.

Look up, Christ’s star has risen in the sky.

We will follow the light of the world.

****OPENING HYMN**

“The First Noel”

UMH#245

****OPENING PRAYER (Unison) (Matthew 2)**

Glorious God, grant us the courage to follow Christ’s natal star, wherever your light will lead us; grant us the wisdom to follow the kings of old, as they left the safety of their homes to find the infant Jesus; grant us the purity of heart, to forsake the glitter of things that do not endure, and embrace the brightness of your glory . In the name of Jesus’ we pray. Amen.

WE LISTEN TO GOD’S WORD FOR US

CHILDREN’S TIME

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

Congregation: And also with you!

****PASS THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

ANTHEM

SHUMC Chancel Choir

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Isei Daveta

SCRIPTURE READING

(Fijian and English)

Matthew 2:1-12

MESSAGE

“Star Search”

Pastor Rochelle

A COVENANT PRAYER IN THE WESLEYAN TRADITION

UMH#607

ALTAR CALL

****HYMN OF DEDICATION**

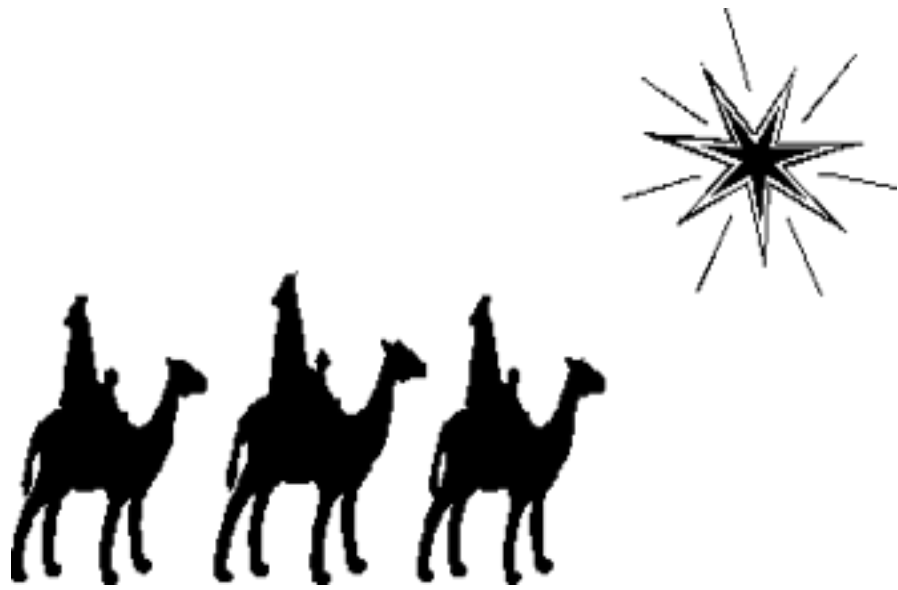
“We Three Kings“

UMH#254

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

GOD’S PRESENCE IN HOLY COMMUNION

God of love and light, shine through the gifts we bring to your table. Shine through our lives and our ministry, that your radiance may bring hope and life to a needy world. We



O STAR OF WONDER, STAR OF LIGHT,
STAR WITH ROYAL BEAUTY BRIGHT,
WESTWARD LEADING, STILL PROCEEDING,
GUIDE US TO THE PERFECT LIGHT.

By John H. Hopkins, Jr.