

South Hayward United Methodist Church

*Making Disciples of Jesus Christ for
The Transformation of the World
Fifth Sunday of Easter/Communion Sunday
May 3, 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 *“Just As I Am” Aurora Castro*

ANNOUNCEMENTS/ GUESTS/BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

PRELUDE & PROCESSION OF THE LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES
“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling” Zundel/Innes

INTROIT *Fijian Language Ministry*

****INVITATION TO WORSHIP (Acts 8, 1 John 4, John 15)** *Isei Daveta*

Leader: Come to the household of love, for God is love.

People: As we abide in love, we abide in God.

Leader: Come to the vineyard of grace, for God is gracious.

People: As we abide in the vine, we bear the fruit of salvation.

Leader: Come bathe in baptismal waters, for God’s Spirit awaits.

People: As we abide in God’s Spirit, we abide in peace.

Leader: Come to the household of love, for God is love,

ALL: Come! All are welcome here.

****OPENING HYMN** *“How Can We Name a Love” UMH#111*

****OPENING PRAYER (Unison) (John 15)**

Divine Vinegrower, plant us in the soil of your love, for Christ is our vine and we are the branches. In everything we say and in everything we do, help us abide in the vine, that we may bear the fruit of your love and grace. 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 *“But Still He Loved Me” SHUMC Chancel Choir*

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION *Isei Daveta*

SCRIPTURE READING *(Fijian and English) John 15:1-8*

MESSAGE *“Branches” Pastor Rochelle*

**SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS/ PASTORAL PRAYER/
THE LORD’S PRAYER** *UMH#895*

****HYMN OF DEDICATION** *“Abide with Me” UMH#700*

WE OFFER OURSELVES & OUR GIFTS TO GOD WE CELEBRATE

GOD’S PRESENCE IN HOLY COMMUNION

To love God is to love people. Let us show our love for God as we offer our gifts, not only to Christ and Christ’s church, but to the least and the last.

HOLY COMMUNION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (1 John 4, John 15)

