

SAN DIEGUITO
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Open Hearts ~ Open Minds ~ Open Doors

9:00 am

March 28, 2010

10:45 am

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Palm Sunday

“For Jesus, obedience meant carrying the cross; for most of us, it means lifting a thousand little and daily crosses in the complexities and demands of our many relationships.”

- Thomas G. Long

Entrance

Prelude — “Alleluia ” Théodore Dubois

Lighting of the Candles..... Evan Killeen

Introit — “Hosanna” Kent Newbury

*Processional Hymn No. 280 — “All Glory Laud and Honor” (verses 1-4)

*Greeting (from Psalm 118)..... The Reverend Martha Wingfield

Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;
his love endures forever.

Let Israel say:

"His love endures forever."

You are my God, and I will give you thanks;
you are my God, and I will exalt you.

**Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;
his love endures forever.**

Praise Hymn No. 280 — “All Glory Laud and Honor” (verse 5)

♪ **Thou didst accept their praises; accept the prayers we bring,
who in all good delightest, thou good and gracious King.** ♪

(Latecomers may be seated)

Call to Prayer

We cannot come before God unless we are first honest with ourselves about who we are, about the mistakes we make, and about how well or poorly we care for others. In this spirit, let us offer our prayers to God.

Prayer of the People

**Gracious and merciful God,
we confess to you and to one another that time after time
we have entered your presence with countless prayers
but with hearts that have been closed to your grace.
We have lifted our hands to you in praise,
but our feet have still walked in the ways of evil.
We have rehearsed your commandments
but have refused to see your face in the needs of our neighbor.
We pray, Lord, that you forgive our lack of faith
and pardon our acts of injustice.
Grant us the healing that comes from your presence
and the cleansing of your all-powerful Word,
through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

Silent Prayer

Words of Assurance (based on Philippians 2:5-7)
“Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness.”
Through Christ, God accepts, God forgives, and God sets free.
Receive the forgiving love of God.
Thanks be to God.

Children’s Anthem

“Look Someone’s Coming”

Jayne Southwick

Children’s Choir - Marilyn Shepard, director; Barbara Dodge, accompanist

Children's Moment (9:00)

*At this time all children are invited to the front of the church to hear a brief message.
The children will be excused afterwards to attend their Sunday School classes.*

(10:45) Children ages Pre K - 3rd grade may leave for Sunday School.

Greetings and Announcements

*Please register your attendance by clearly printing your **first and last** name in the attendance pad found in each pew, passing the pad to the end of the pew, and then back to the center aisle.*

Proclamation of the Word

Prayer for Illumination — “Spirit of the Living God” Arr. William Hatcher

The First Reading — Psalm 118: 1-2, 19-29 (Pew Bible page 531)..... (9:00) Al Tschaeche
(10:45)Amy Witman

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God. Amen

Anthem— “Lift Up Your Heads, O Ye Gates”G.F Handel

Lift up your heads, O ye gates, and be ye lift up ye everlasting doors,
And the King of glory shall come in.
Who is the King of glory? The Lord strong and mighty in battle.
Who is the King of glory? The Lord of Hosts, He is the King of glory!

The Second Reading — Luke 19: 28-40 (Pew Bible page 913).....The Reverend Mark Feldmeir

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God. Amen

*Hymn of Preparation No. 2083— “My Song Is Love Unknown” (verses 1,2,5)

The Sermon — “Even The Stones Would Shout”The Reverend Mark Feldmeir

Response to the Word

*Affirmation of Faith # 888

**This is the good news
which we have received,
in which we stand,
and by which we are saved:
Christ died for our sins,
was buried,
was raised on the third day,
and appeared first to the women,
then to Peter and the Twelve,
and then to many faithful witnesses.
We believe Jesus is the Christ,
the Anointed One of God,
the firstborn of all creation,
the firstborn from the dead,
in whom all things hold together,
in whom the fullness of God
was pleased to dwell
by the power of the Spirit.
Christ is the head of the body, the church,
and by the blood of the cross
reconciles all things to God. Amen.**

Call to Prayer, Pastoral Prayer, Lord's Prayer

*Greeting — Offering Signs of Peace & Reconciliation

The Offering

Offertory — "Crown Him with Many Crowns".....Jerry Westenkuehler

*Doxology No. 95

♪ **Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.** ♪

Offertory Prayer

**Bless these gifts and our lives, O God,
for we offer them in the name of Jesus, our Lord,
who emptied himself that we might be filled
and humbled himself that we might be lifted up.
May these gifts be used to proclaim the gospel
which fills lives that are empty and lifts up those who need help.
In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

*Closing Hymn No. 159 — "Lift High The Cross"

Sending Forth

*The Light of Christ Leads Us Out Into the World

*The Benediction

Choral Benediction — "Christ, We Do All Adore Thee"..... T Dubois

*The Postlude — "Lift Up Your Heads"..... Alexandre Guilmant

**Indicates that you are invited to stand.*

***Join us for coffee between services
on the patio or at the Sunday School playground.***

TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVICE

CHANCEL FLOWERS: Today's flowers are donated by Jennifer Skinner in memory of her mother, Josephine T. Anderson.

CELL PHONES: Please mute or turn off your cell phones during the service.

GREETERS: (9:00) Mary Salvato, Jan Moore, Betty Putnam (10:45) Willy Ginaven, Mary Ann Jones

USHERS: (9:00) Paul & Chryse Carter, Richard & Linda Sterrett
(10:45) Dean Hurd, Pandora Johnson, Randa Krakow, Willard Nixon

SUNDAY RECEPTIONIST: (9:00) Pandora Johnson (10:45) Paddy Askins