

CENTRAL UNION CHURCH

March 24, 2024 **廿** 11 AM Service

Parish Hall

Welcome to Central Union Church, where we believe that God dwells in you and in each person here today. When we see you, we see God's image, and we are honored and dignified by your presence. Thank you for coming.

"We Engage and Embrace ALL as we seek to Embody Christ!"

THE COMMUNITY GATHERS...

From many places we gather here. This is a high point of our week. We see our friends. We make new friends. And we spend time with the loving Christ who meets us where we are, as we are. In this Sanctuary we worship and through worship the courage within us is kindled to inspire courageous living beyond this place.

Gathering Music Worship Team

Welcome and Announcements

Pastor Rushan Sinnaduray

Sharing Aloha Pastor Rushan

* Call to Worship (responsively)

Pastor Rushan

One: We come to prepare for the holiest of weeks.

Many: We will journey through praise, with joy on our lips; we will travel through betrayal and death, cradling hope deep in our hearts.

One: Jesus leads us through this week, and we will follow, for he is the life we long for, he is the Word who sustains us.

Many: We wave palm branches in anticipation, we lay our love before him, to cushion his walk.

One: Setting aside all power, glory, and might, he comes: modeling humility and

obedience for all of us.

Many: Hosanna! Hosanna! Blessed is the One who brings us the kingdom of God.

* Music Hosanna Praise is Rising Worship Team

Praise is rising, eyes are turning to You, we turn to You Hope is stirring, hearts are yearning for You, we long for You 'Cause when we see You, we find strength to face the day In Your presence all our fears are washed away, washed away

Chorus

Hosanna hosanna

You are the God who saves us, worthy of all our praises

Hosanna hosanna

Come have Your way among us / We welcome You here, Lord Jesus

Hear the sound of hearts returning to You, we turn to You In Your kingdom broken lives are made new, You make us new 'Cause when we see You, we find strength to face the day In Your presence all our fears are washed away, washed away (Chorus)

Bridge

'Cause when we see You, we find strength to face the day In Your presence all our fears are washed away, washed away 'Cause when we see You, we find strength to face the day In Your presence all our fears are washed away, washed away

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I see the king of glory / Coming on the clouds with fire The whole earth shakes, the whole earth shakes I see his love and mercy / Washing over all our sin The people sing, the people sing

Chorus

Hosanna / Hosanna / Hosanna in the highest Hosanna / Hosanna in the highest

I see a generation / Rising up to take their place With selfless faith, with selfless faith I see a near revival / Stirring as we pray and seek We're on our knees, we're on our knees (Chorus)

Heal my heart and make it clean
Open up my eyes to the things unseen
Show me how to love like you have loved me
Break my heart for what breaks yours
Everything I am for Your kingdom's cause
As I walk from earth into eternity (Chorus)

Hosanna in the highest Hosanna in the highest

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Prayer Pastor Mary Herbig

Time for Keiki Cayanna Herrera

TO HEAR GOD'S WORD...

Scripture Mark 11:1-11 Carol Alevizos

Sermon AND SO IT BEGINS Pastor Rushan

* Music Love Like This Worship Team

When I am a wasteland / You are the water

When I am the winter / You are the fire / That burns

When I am a long night / You are the sunrise

When I am a desert / You are the river / That turns to find me

Chorus 1

What have I done to deserve love like this

What have I done to deserve love like this

Your voice like a whisper / Breaking the silence

You say there's a treasure / You look 'til You find it / You search to find me

Chorus 2

What have I done to deserve love like this / What have I done to deserve love like this I cannot earn what You so freely give / What have I done to deserve love like this

Bridge

Hallelujah, Hallelujah / Hallelujah, Hallelujah

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TO RESPOND IN FAITH...

Time of Reflection Pastor Mary

Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer (in unison)

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Invitation to Offering Betsy Turgeon

Offering Only Tears of Joy in the Promised Land Worship Team

Prayer Betsy Turgeon

AND GO FORTH IN LOVE.

God's love cannot be contained within the walls of this Sanctuary.

Take the love of Christ from this place into your homes, neighborhoods, and communities.

* Music You Are Worthy of My Praise Worship Team

I will worship (I will worship) / With all of my heart (with all of my heart)

I will praise You (I will praise You) / With all of my strength (all my strength)

I will seek You (I will seek You) / All of my days (all of my days)

I will follow (I will follow) / All of Your ways (all Your ways)

Chorus

I will give You all my worship / I will give You all my praise You alone I long to worship / You alone are worthy of my praise

I will bow down (I will bow down) / And hail You as King (and hail You as King)

I will serve You (I will serve You) / Give You everything (everything)

I will lift up (I will lift up) / My eyes to Your throne (my eyes to Your throne)

I will trust You (I will trust You) / Trust You alone (You alone)

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* Benediction Pastor Rushan

* Lenten Congregational Response

Worship Team

Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were a present far too small; love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all.

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Our WORSHIP is ended...our SERVICE now begins.

*Please rise in body and/or spirit.

Today's flowers have been lovingly arranged by our guest floral designer, **Debbie Jarret Holt**, with assistance from **Lamela Holt Battley** and **Susie Field**.

They have been given in loving memory of **Venus G. Holt**.

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