

**Hillcrest Congregational Church, United Church of Christ
Pleasant Hill CA
Order of Worship**

August 7, 2022



Celebrating Youth

Through our great good fortune, in our youth our hearts were touched with fire. It was given to us to learn at the outset that life is a profound and passionate thing.

Oliver Wendell Holmes, Jr.

WE GATHER

Prelude

Words of Welcome

WE OPEN TO THE CREATIVE SPIRIT

Bell...Silence...Bell

Call to Worship

Opening Prayer

Prayer Response: “My Soul is at Rest” Taizé 38

Led by Mira Kren

Opening Hymn: “He’s Got the Whole World in his Hands”

Led by Mira Kren

WE PROCLAIM

“The Child’s Faith is New”

Poetry by Emily Dickenson

Read by Ryan Terry

**Scripture Reading: Genesis 15:1-6
Psalm 33:12-22 (A Luken Psalter)**

**Special Music: “Climbing up the Mountain”
Hillcrest Virtual Choir with Dancer: Nina**

**Sermon: “Numerous as the Stars”
Allison Kuechle Silva, Pastoral Associate**

**Sing-Along: “Like a Rock” SPP 99
Led by Mira Kren**

WE PRAY

**Prayers of the People
Lord’s Prayer**

**Prayer Response: “Let Our Prayer Rise Up” (Haugen)
Led by Blake Levinson**

WE RESPOND AND GO FORTH TO SERVE

Call to Offering

**Doxology
Led by Blake Levinson**

Prayer of Dedication

**Sing-Along: “Go My Children with my Blessing”
NCH 82
Led by Blake Levinson**

Blessing

Invitation to Pass the Peace

**Postlude
Joshua Feltman**

Bridge Minister: Niels Teunis

Pastoral Associate: Allison Kuechle Silva

Organist, Pianist and Music Director: Joshua Feltman

Today’s Liturgist: Ari Cruz

Singers: Mira Kren, Ethan Ponce, and Others



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