



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

**July 5, 2020**

***Awakening to Beauty, Falling in Love with the World***

**Prelude: Variation on “*In the Bulb there Is a Flower*” Joshua Feltman**

**Words of Welcome**

**News of the Community**

**Call to Worship**

**Sing-Along: “*In the Bulb there Is a Flower*” NCH 433**

**Led by Blake Levinson**

**Prayerful Meditation and Centering**

**Prayers of the People**

**Confession and Absolution**

**Choral Interlude: “*Look Around*” Robynn Tarvins**

**Prayers, Lord’s Prayer**

**Choral Response: “*Look Around*” Robynn Tarvins**

**A Time for Children—Searching for Beauty**

**Allison Kuechle-Silva**

**Ritual Action, Allison Kuechle-Silva**

***(See below for Ritual Action write-up)***

**Lectio Divina**

**Psalm 147:1-11 (Inclusive Bible)**

**Isaiah 48:6-8a**

**Response: “*Something Beautiful Something Good*” Mira Kren**

**Sermo Divina: “YHWH Delights” Rev. Fred Weidmann**

**Musica Divina: “*Sing Out Earth and Skies*” (Haugen)**

**Choral Scholars: Robynn Tarvins, Mira Kren & Blake Levinson**

**Call to Offering**  
**Prayer of Dedication**  
**Doxology with Alleluias, Led by Blake Levinson**  
**Sing-Along: "Lord of All Hopefulness" vv. 1, 3 & 4**  
**Led by Mira Kren**  
**Blessing and Invitation to Pass the Peace**  
**Postlude: "Sing Out Earth and Skies" Reprise Joshua Feltman**

**Ritual Action for the Week of July 5, 2020**

**With each week's message, we will find a way to integrate contemplative practices into our daily lives as a way of opening to the Divine in deeper ways, thereby training our spirits for compassion in all things. This week's ritual action could include the journaling we suggested in the children's time—take a moment each day to contemplate your own healing process. Or it could be a contemplative moment of fixing something you've been putting off for a time. Does something need some super-glue or spackling or mending? If so, do this with a prayerful intention. You may want to put a note somewhere in a highly-visible place—"Find beauty within the imperfections of life and accept peacefully the natural cycle of growth and decay. Be reminded to offer grace for imperfections... for the beauty of the earth."**

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