

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

May 16, 2021



Seventh Sunday in Easter
Ascension Sunday

Gone Up With a Shout: Clap Your Hands!

Prelude: "Anitra's Dance" (Edvard Grieg)
Rachel Winer, Flute & Joshua Feltman, Keyboards

Words of Welcome

GATHERING OUR STRENGTH

Call to Worship

Opening Song of Praise: "Christ is Alive, Let Christians Sing"
vv. 1, 3, 4& 5 (Wren, TRURO tune)
Led by Blake Levinson

Opening Prayer

Choral Response: "Dare to Dance" (refrain)
Led by Mira Kren

LEARNING THE STEPS

Scripture
Psalm 47: 1-6 (NRSV, Adapted)
Acts 1:1-11 (NRSV)

Children's Moment, Allison Kuechle Silva

**Special Music: "You Raise Me Up" (Brendan Graham and Rolf Lovland)
Sung by Blake Levinson**

Reflection: "Receive Power...Be My Witnesses" Rev. Fred Weidmann

**Sing-Along: "Alleluia! Gracious Jesus" vv. 1 & 4 NCH 257
Led by Mira Kren**

THE BODY MOVES IN RESPONSE

**"Teach me to Dance" (Kendrick/Thompson)
Led by Mira Kren & Blake Levinson**

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

**"Teach Me to Dance" (Kendrick/Thompson)
Led by Mira Kren**

Call to Offering

**Prayer of Dedication
Doxology, Led by Blake Levinson**

STEPPING OUT

**Sing-Along: "This is a Day of New Beginnings" vv. 1-4 NCH 417
Led by Robynn Tarvins**

Blessing

Invitation to Pass the Peace

**Postlude: Variations on "You Raise Me Up"
David Kohls, Guitar & Joshua Feltman, Keyboards**

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