



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

**January 3, 2021
Epiphany Sunday**

**God is Holding Your Life: A Journey of Assurance
for the New Year...
*These Lives are Precious***

WE GATHER TOGETHER

**Prelude: Musical Variations on “*We Three Kings*”
Rachel Winer, Flute and Joshua Feltman, Keyboards**

Words of Welcome

**Sing-Along: “*The First Nowell*” vv. 1&2 NCH 139
Led by Robynn Tarvins and Mira Kren**

WE PROCLAIM

Call to Worship

Opening Prayer

Children’s Time to Shine, Rev. Laura Barnes

**First Scripture Lesson
Psalm 72: 1-8, 12-14, 17**

**Special Music “*Riding Out Across the Desert*” (*Ratcliffe*)
Sung by Robynn Tarvins**

**Gospel Reading
Matthew 2:1-12**

**Sing-Along: “*The First Nowell*” vv. 3-5 NCH 139
Led by Robynn Tarvins**

**Reflection: “*Prepare the Way of the Lord*”
Allison Kuechle Silva**

**Sing-Along: “We Three Kings of Orient Are” vv. 1&5 PH 143
Led by Mira Kren**

WE PRAY

**Prayers of the People
Lord’s Prayer
Choral Response: “In the Stillness”**

WE RESPOND

Call to Offering

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

WE GO FORTH AND SERVE

**Sing-Along: “Joy to the World” NCH 132
Led by Blake Levinson**

Blessing

Invitation to Pass the Peace

**Postlude: Variations on “Riding Out Across the Desert”
Joshua Feltman, Keyboards and Rachel Winer, Flute**

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