

***First Presbyterian Church***  
**April 5th, 11:00 a.m. - Morning Worship**  
**Matt Schultz – Pastor**  
**Jan Gruhn – Organist**

Prelude: “Prelude on ‘Christ the Lord Is Risen Today’” Arr., Brown

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Introit** **Handbell/Chancel Choirs**

**Call to Worship** (inspired by John 20) **Liturgist – Bill Hazelton**

Leader: Out of the darkness of grief; amidst the rubble of our fallen towers, we hear the message of hope

**All: Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia!**

Leader: We run to the tomb to see for ourselves, and it is true: Christ is risen!

**All: Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia!**

Leader: We hear a voice call our name, and we know our risen Lord is with us now and always. And so we join our voices in praise, and sing:

**All: Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia!**

†Hymn “*Jesus Christ is Risen Today*” #250  
(Aaron Hensley, trumpet)

**Time of Reconciliation**

Leader: Loving God, we confess that we forget the joy of the resurrection, and get caught in the worries of the world. We confess that we do not live in the spirit of new life, but remain discontent, grumbling and anxious.

**All: Forgive us for not living the Good News. Forgive us for choosing worry and complaint over the new life in Christ. Call us back to Your ways of hope and reconciliation, restoration and peace. In the name of the Risen Christ, we pray. Amen.**

Leader: We confess our sin to God in a moment of silence

**Moment of Silence**

Leader: Christ is Risen! The stone is rolled away; the tomb is empty! We are called to join in the new life, a life of forgiveness and reconciliation. Sister and brothers, in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven

**All: Thanks be to God**

†Response *Gloria Patri* #805

**All: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end, Amen, Amen**

Passing of the Peace

**Handbell Choir Anthem** “*Thine is the Glory*” Raney

**The Word**

**Time for Children**

**Choral Anthem** “*Easter Day in the Morning*” Kern

Scripture Reading: Genesis 11:1-9 Page 10  
Mark 16:1-14 Page 1010-1011

Sermon Pastor Matt Schultz

**The Response**

†Hymn “*Alleluia, Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven*” #254

**Season for Service**

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

(You now may make your contributions on line, for details go to our website)

Offertory “*Then Shall the Righteous Shine Forth*” Mendelssohn  
Jeffrey Halili, tenor

✠ **Response**

**Doxology**

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Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, Ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen

✠ **Prayer of Dedication**

**Invitation to the Table**

*Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer*

*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 for ever, Amen*

*Words of Institution*

*Distribution of the Elements*

✠ **Hymn**

“Day of Resurrection”  
(please stand to sing when directed)

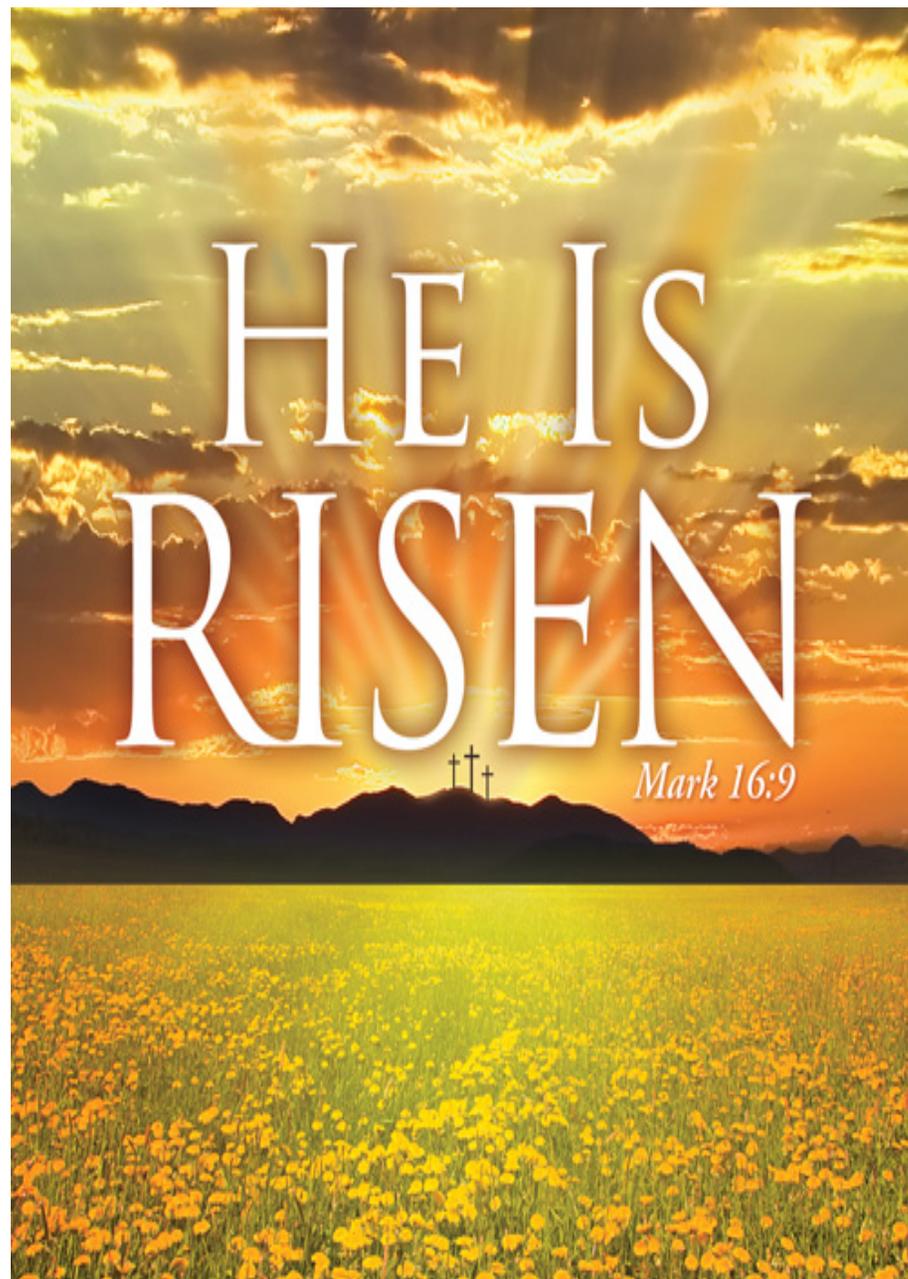
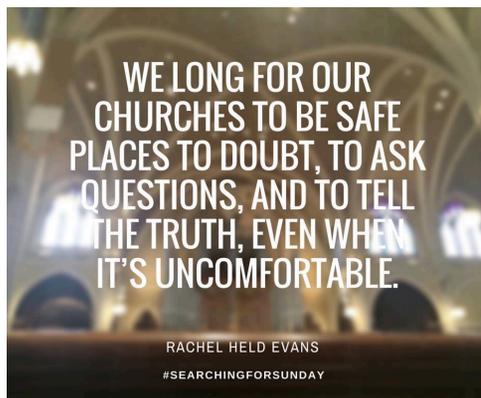
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**The Sending and Benediction**

*Postlude*

*Toccata*

*Widor*



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