Tithes and Offerings

Offertory *Fanfare for a Resurrection Day* Steven Scott

***Doxology** #731

***Confession of Faith**

Apostles' Creed (see inside of hymnal cover)

***Hymn** *Alleluia! Alleluia!* #283

***Benediction**

***Postlude** *Christ the Lord Is Risen Today* Michael Thomas

***Please stand if you are able**

Participants in the Service

Pastor	Mark Tippin
Liturgist	Janis Hall
Head Ushers	Leith Culver, Nita Christensen, Patti Christensen
Greeter	Carol Michenzi
Choirmaster	Zach Vreeman
Organist	Marilyn Fry

We are delighted that you are worshiping with us this morning, and we invite you to join us for fellowship, coffee, and Resurrection Rolls after the service in the parlor.

Families are encouraged to worship together this morning. However, an unstaffed nursery is available for parents and children who might need a little break.

First Presbyterian Church (EPC)

March 27, 2016

Easter Sunday

Prelude *The Risen Christ!* Gerald Peterson

Welcome and Announcements

***Invocation**

Passing of the Peace

Leader: Grace and peace to you.

People: And also to you.

Introit *Death, Where is Thy Sting?* John Stainer

***Opening Hymn** *Christ the Lord is Risen Today* #277

***Call to Worship** (from Psalm 16)

Leader: Preserve us, O God, for in you we take refuge. We say to the LORD, "You are our Lord; we have no good apart from you."

People: The sorrows of those who run after another god shall multiply; their drink offerings of blood we will not pour out or take their names on our lips.

Leader: The LORD is our chosen portion and our cup; you hold our lot. We bless the LORD who gives us counsel; in the night also our hearts instruct us.

People: We have set the LORD always before us; because he is at our right hand, we shall not be shaken. Therefore our hearts are glad, and our whole being rejoices; our flesh also dwells secure.

Unison: You make known to us the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy; at your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

***Hymn** *Were You There?* #260

Psalter Psalm 46

Pew Bible [Blue] p. 471, [Red] p. 598

Reading alternate verses, last verse in unison

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

O Lord, we have grown to take the gospel for granted. We consider your love all too common and unremarkable. We treat your gift of grace as something we deserve or something that cost you nothing. Forgive us, most merciful Father, for treating divine grace like cheap grace. Restore in us the joy of our salvation, that we might proclaim your praise and walk in obedience to your will. We ask this through Jesus Christ, who has died for us.

~ Silent confession ~ **Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon (responsively)

Leader: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

All: If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just, and will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. Thanks be to God!

Anthem *The Sabbath Day Was By* J. Bert Carlson

Prayer for Illumination

New Testament Text

1 Corinthians 15:1-11

Pew Bible [Blue] p. 961, [Red] p. 1222

Sermon *Christ Is Risen, He Is Risen Indeed!* Mark Tippin

***Hymn** *Thine Be the Glory* #274

Prayers of the People

Thanksgiving

Intercession

For the Church

For the Ministry

For the Nation

For all People

The Lord's Prayer (inside hymnal cover)