

**\*Choral Benediction**                      *Hallelujah Chorus (Handel)*                      Chancel Choir

**\*Postlude**                                      *Thine is the Glory*                                      Leslye Ames

*\*Stand as you are able*

**Lay Reader:** Bob Reed

***Commit . . . Connect . . . Engage . . .***

**First United Methodist Church, Tallassee is committed to making disciples of Jesus Christ, by connecting people to the Word of God and engaging them in ministry here and throughout the world.**

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**11:00 a.m. Worship**  
**April 16, 2017**  
**Easter Sunday - White**

*The altar is open for personal prayer time prior to the beginning of our service.*

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**Welcome & Announcements**

**Prelude** *Jesus Christ is Risen Today* Leslye Ames

**Invocation**

**Call to Worship** *He's Alive* Jerry Cunningham

**\*Hymn of Praise** *Christ the Lord is Risen Today* **302**

**\*Responsive Reading** **Psalm 118**

Leader: The Lord is my strength and my power; the Lord has become my salvation.

**People: There are joyous songs of victory in the tents of the righteous:**

Leader: "The right hand of the Lord does valiantly, the right hand of the Lord is exalted,

**People: the right hand of the Lord does valiantly!"**

Leader: I shall not die, but I shall live, and recount the deeds of the Lord.

**People: The Lord has chastened me sorely, but has not given me over to death.**

Leader: Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the Lord.

**People: This is the gate of the Lord; the righteous shall enter through it.**

Leader: I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation.

**People: The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone.**

Leader: This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.

**People: This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it!**

**\*Affirmation of Faith: *The Apostles' Creed***

*I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic\* church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting, Amen.* \*means universal

**\*Gloria Patri**

*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.*

**Joys and Concerns**

**Moment of Silence**

We light this candle to signify our prayers for those involved in armed conflict around the world. We lift up those we know and love serving in the United States Armed Services and we recognize God's call to pray for our enemies. We ask for God's peace and wholeness to illuminate every darkness. We join together in a moment of silence and invite you to lift up your prayers on behalf of our community, nation, and world.

**Pastoral Prayer**

**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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.*

**Choral Prayer Response**

Chancel Choir

**Hymn of Preparation**

*Because He Lives*

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**Children's Moment**

(Children age 4 – 1<sup>st</sup> grade will be escorted to Children's Church)

**Offertory**

*Alleluia, Praise the Risen King! (Larson)*

Chancel Choir

**\*Prayer of Praise**

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

**\*Scripture**

**Matthew 28:1-10**

**Message**

"Resurrection"

**Rev. Dric Williford**

**\*Hymn of Invitation**

*Crown Him with Many Crowns*

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**\*Benediction**