

TABERNACLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

TOWER CHIMES

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TAB

Tabernacle Presbyterian Church

OUR MISSION





Tabernacle Presbyterian Church is called by God, led by faith in Jesus Christ and empowered by the Holy Spirit to demonstrate the Kingdom of God through worship, discipleship and outreach. Honoring our heritage at 34th and Central, we will faithfully serve our community, city and world in the present and prepare expectantly for the future.

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

- 8:00a** Communion Service
Located in McKee Chapel
- 9:00a** Contemporary Service
*Connect with God and with one another
in authentic, relational worship in the Sanctuary*
- 10:00a** Christian Education Hour
Programming for all ages
- 11:00a** Traditional Worship
*Located in the Sanctuary featuring organ and
choir music*

CONTACT INFORMATION

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TAB'S TOWER CHIMES

This monthly newsletter is also available on the church website at: www.tabpres.org

All submissions should be emailed to Kristine Seals at frontdesk@tabpres.org. The submission deadline is the 15th of each month for appearance in the upcoming month's Tower Chimes.



Pastoral Reflection

The Telling of the Birth of our Lord

Dear Friends,

The Gospel writer, Luke, would be very comfortable in the world of “Les Miserables” and “Hamilton” because he chooses to tell, at least the opening section, of the Christmas story through music. He literally “sings” the telling of the birth of our Lord.

“*Ave Maria*” is sung by the angel Gabriel to the virgin Mary.

“*Benedictus*,” is first sung of Elizabeth and then of Zechariah, the parents of John the Baptist.

“*Magnificat*” is sung of Mary.

“*Gloria in Excelsis*” is the song the angels sing announcing His birth.

“*Nunc Dimmittis*” is sung by Simeon upon seeing the child Jesus for himself.

I will admit that I cannot hear a phrase, such as “For unto us a Child is born” or “All we like sheep,” without Handel’s score also playing in my mind.

During the weeks of Advent, leading us to the celebration of the Christmas day, we will celebrate the birth of our Lord through the music written to announce and welcome His coming.

Sunday, December 4 - *Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus*

Sunday, December 11 - *Go Tell It on the Mountain*

Sunday, December 18 - *Silent Night* -The "Christmas with Tab" taping service

Saturday, December 24 - Christmas Eve - *O Holy Night*

Sunday, December 25 - Christmas Day - *Joy to the World*

Joining our voices in song with the angels, the Gospel writers and the saints through the ages seems to be an appropriate way, perhaps even the most appropriate way, to celebrate the birth of our Savior.

I hope you will lend your voice to the chorus and invite a friend to join you.

Rev. L. John Gable

December 2016

Preaching Schedule

- 4** "Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus"
Rev. L. John Gable, preaching
- 11** "Go, Tell It on the Mountain"
Rev. Oscar Clavel, preaching
- 18** *One service only at 10:00a*
"Silent Night"
Rev. L. John Gable, preaching
- 24** *5:00p & 8:00p services*
"O Holy Night"
Rev. L. John Gable, preaching
- 25** *One service only at 10:00a*
"Joy to the World"
Rev. L. John Gable, preaching

Weekly Bible Readings

- 4** Isaiah 11:1–10
Psalm 72:1–7, 18–19
Romans 15:4–13
Matthew 3:1–12
- 11** Isaiah 35:1–10
Psalm 146:5–10 or Luke 1:46–55
James 5:7–10
Matthew 11:2–11
- 18** Isaiah 7:10–16
Psalm 80:1–7, 17–19
Romans 1:1–7
Matthew 1:18–25
- 25** Isaiah 52:7–10
Psalm 98
Hebrews 1:1–4 [5–12]
John 1:1–14

December Event Schedule

SPECIAL

- 1** 11:30a Hollyhock Christmas Luncheon
- 2** 11:30a SMS 2017 Meeting
- 4** 9:00a Advent Workshop
- 9** 4:00p Kirkland Home Dedication
- 11** 12:00p New Members Reception
3:00p "Messiah" Performance with ICO
- 12** 7:30p "Messiah" Sing-a-Long at the Indiana Landmarks Ctr
- 18** 10:00a "Christmas with Tab" Service
11:00a Christmas Tea
11:30a Preteen Christmas Party
- 20** 6:00p Session/Deacons Christmas Dinner
- 24** 5:00p Family Christmas Eve Service
8:00p Traditional Christmas Eve Service
10:00p "Christmas With Tab" Television Broadcast
- 25** 10:00a Christmas Day Service
"Christmas with Tab" Television Broadcast
- 26** Church Offices Closed

WEEKLY

- MON** 6:30p Cub Scout Pack
6:45p Boy Scout Troop 72
- TUE** 10:00a Women Alive
6:30p Prayer Ministry
- WED** 9:30a Pastors' Bible Study
5:00p Contemporary Service Reh
6:00p Purls of Wisdom
- THU** 3:45p Tab Tutoring
6:00p Handbell Choir Rehearsal
7:15p Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
- FRI** 7:00p Circle of Hope
- SAT** 8:00a Men's Bible Study
- SUN** 4:00p Middle & High School Youth
- MWF** 11:00a Tab's Open Door

MONTHLY

- 1st **TUE** 5:30p Missions Cmte
7:00p Adult Ministries Cmte
- 2nd **MON** 5:00p Facilities Cmte
- 2nd **TUE** 5:00p Budget & Finance Cmte
7:00p Children's Ministries Cmte
7:15p Worship, Music & Arts
- 3rd **TUE** 7:00p Session Meeting
7:15p Prayer Team Meeting
- 4th **TUE** 5:00p Evangelism Committee
7:00p Deacons' Meeting
7:15p Media Cmte
- 2nd **WED** 10:30a Ladies Quilting Group
- 4th **WED** 10:00a Ladies Quilting Group
- 2nd **SAT** 10:00a Purls of Wisdom
- 4th **SAT** 10:00a Purls of Wisdom

Please visit tabpres.org for a complete calendar of events.

Who's in the Worship Band?

Meet David and Nathaniel Cantwell

Story by Elly Douglass / Photo taken by Camille Cantwell



Tab Worship Band's only father/son duo, David and Nathaniel Cantwell, are just a year into their new church home, yet already fully engaged with Tab's music programs. David, plays piano with the band at the contemporary service and also, along with his wife Camille, sings with the choir at the 11:00a service. Their oldest son, Nathaniel, plays both acoustic and electric guitars with the band and also sings vocals. Add rehearsal times to their weekly schedules along with the fact David runs his own computer company and Nathaniel, a full time computer engineering student at IUPUI who also works part-time in the Chemistry department, these two are kept pretty busy. When free time is available, Nathaniel is a self-proclaimed "coffee snob" and enjoys the whole process of making coffee. David's avocation is closely tied to his work life he reports, "I love learning new technology."

No strangers to church music, both have been involved most of their lives. David, an IU grad with a double major in music and Computer Science, has been playing piano since grade school. He has accompanied vocalists, directed choirs, and played in several worship bands. David also has played piano for The Oaks Academy Christmas program for several years and formerly enjoyed playing with a couple Big Bands.

A self-taught musician, Nathaniel played guitar and sang vocals with the youth worship band and choir at their former church. Very glad to now be a part of the Tab band, he sees the band's role in worship to be a "facilitator, to bring people to worship and praise." It's "less of a performance," he explains, "it's more about bringing people together." David agrees saying, it's "to bring everyone to focus on the Lord, to get us all going in the same direction." Nathaniel adds it is "to worship together and be the body of Christ."

When asked about each other's greatest strengths as musicians, David replied he thinks his son is an "amazing leader," with the "ability to pull people together." Nathaniel cited examples of his dad's skill to "improvise really well."

Having been given a heads up from other band members, I asked the Cantwells if they had perfect pitch. "Yeah, that's true," Nathaniel replied. David confirmed they "can hear a note and identify it, say a note and produce it." Having researched this phenomenon quite extensively, Nathaniel said perfect pitch can be traced to very early learning of music and that it tends to run in families. David commented that several Tab choir members also have perfect pitch. Quite amazing considering it is only found in roughly 1 in 10,000 people! Just further evidence of Tab's amazing musical blessings.

New Members Welcome!



PATRICIA CARLSON

8450 N. Meridian Street, Indianapolis, 46260. Phone: (217) 663-7931 (cell). Email: pstswc1977@gmail.com. Pat and her husband Scott recently moved to Indianapolis from Moline, Illinois. Pat is a retired middle school librarian, and she is now caring full-time for her infant granddaughter, Stella. Scott is a retired United Methodist Minister.



PRISCILLA ELLIOTT

351 Sanner Court, Indianapolis, 46290. Phone: (317) 846-7474. Priscilla is married to Tab member Hoagy Elliott. They were married three years ago here at Tab. Priscilla has three grown sons. She enjoys traveling and playing bridge.



JAMES FAIRLEY

2237 E. 151st Street, Apt. #6, Carmel, 46205. Phone: (612) 839-7022 (cell). Email: fairwayfairley@gmail.com. James is a native of Minnesota and an avid golfer. His interests include exercise and basketball. He works as an Internal Sales Consultant for Insource, Inc.



LARRY HANLON

4040 Glencairn Lane, Indianapolis, 46226. Phone: (317) 542-0344 (home) and (317) 694-5511 (cell). Email: larry_hanlon@yahoo.com. Larry is a retired CPA. He is interested in cars, politics and education. He has already become active within Tab as a tutor and as a volunteer with Media.



MICHAEL JEFFERIES

5885 Tulip Drive, Brownsburg, 46112. Phone: (317) 908-6667. Email: mdjefferies42@gmail.com. Michael grew up attending Tab, and he is the son of Tab members, Karen and Bill Jefferies. He is a student at Marian University studying political science and theology.

Not Pictured

ERIC & ANNE KING

7220 Cranbrook Court, Indianapolis, 46250. Phone: (317) 507-5140 (cell). Email: acking55@hotmail.com.

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DAVID MOUDY

8231 Ontario Lane, Indianapolis, 46068. Phone: (317) 875-1990 (home); (317) 409-2842 (cell). Email: foster.moudy@gmail.com. David is the husband of Tab member, Amanda Foster-Moudy. They have a daughter, Hazel, born earlier this year. David is a Logistics Account Executive for Total Quality Logistics. He enjoys baseball, football, board games, and being a dad.



JOYCE PEIPERT

4137 N. Meridian Street, Indianapolis, 46208. Phone: (314) 413-0563 (cell). Email: joycepeipert@gmail.com. Joyce and her husband, Jeff, recently moved to Indianapolis from St. Louis. They have four children, Ben, Daniel, Allison and Leah. A trained dietitian, Joyce enjoys running, cooking, sewing and knitting.

Christmas with Tab

Sunday, December 18, at 10:00a

The Sanctuary Choir with Strings, Harp and Brass

Invite your friends to watch the telecast
of this worship service on:

Christmas Eve at 10:00p

Christmas Day at 2:00p

WHMB-TV 40.1

Check your provider's channel guide for channel number.

Handel's

MESSIAH

Tabernacle Sanctuary Choir
Indianapolis Chamber Orchestra

December 11 at 3:00 pm

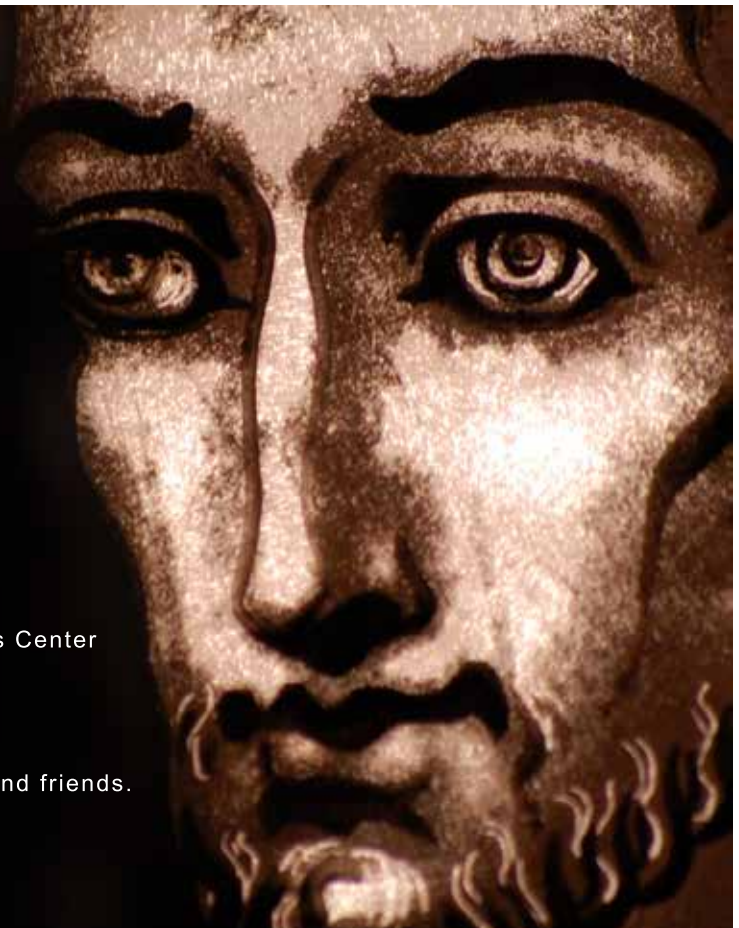
Full Presentation of "Messiah" at Tab

December 12 at 7:30 pm

"Messiah" Sing-a-Long at the Indiana Landmarks Center
Christmas portion and selected choruses

Discount tickets are available to Tab members and friends.

Please see Matt Kauffman for more information.



Tab News

Announcements & Events

DECEMBER SUNDAY MORNING SCHEDULE

December 4

8:00a - Communion Service
9:00a - Advent Workshop
9:00a - Contemporary Worship Service
10:00a - Education Hour
11:00a - Traditional Worship Service

December 11

8:00a - Communion Service
9:00a - Contemporary Worship Service
10:00a - Education Hour
11:00a - Traditional Worship Service

December 18

9:00a - Education Hour
10:00a - "Christmas With Tab" Worship Service
11:00a - Annual "Christmas Tea"

December 24

5:00p - Family Christmas Eve Service
8:00p - Traditional Candlelight Christmas Eve Service

December 25

10:00a - Christmas Worship Service

HOME COMMUNION

Deacons and Elders will be serving Home Communion on Sunday, December 4. Please notify Becky Mayo by December 1 if you know of someone who would like to be served. Contact: Becky Mayo at rkmayo@comcast.net

CHRISTMAS DAY

Join us as we celebrate Christmas on Sunday, December 25, with *one service only* at 10:00a. There will be no education hour that week, so join us as we share in the carols of the season and a special message by Pastor Gable.

PRETEEN CHRISTMAS PARTY

On Sunday, December 18, all Tab fifth and sixth graders are invited to our Preteen Christmas Party. We'll leave Tab immediately following the special 10:00a worship service and have lunch at the Pope's Table at Buca di Beppo. Students don't need to bring any money, but please do bring a small gift (\$10 or less) suitable for either a boy or a girl for a gift exchange. Please RSVP to Jennifer Wirt at jennifer.wirt@tabpres.org no later than December 14 so we can arrange to have enough drivers.

ADVENT WORKSHOP

Our annual Advent Workshop will take place this year on December 4, from 9:00a to 11:45a in Lower Level B. We will have eleven crafts for adults, teens, and older children and an additional five crafts in the Preschool room designed for children ages two through six. We will also have regular nursery care in our Infant and Toddler/2s rooms. This year's

crafts include a continuation of our Woodblock Nativity (this year it's the Angel's turn) as well as candle holders, several types of ornaments, a pine cone flowerpot, smore-in-a-jar, decorated gift tags, dipped and decorated marshmallows, and the traditional Narcissus bulbs. We'll also have live music, refreshments, and plenty of good fellowship. This event is free of charge and designed for the entire Tab family, so please come and make some Christmas decorations, some new friends, and some nice memories.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

We have a couple of events coming up in January for you to be aware of. First, the Missions Unit travels kick off on January 8. Second, we've rescheduled our Preteen Lock-In for Friday, January 6, at 7:00p for all Tab fifth and sixth graders. Finally, we have our annual Family Fun Night scheduled for Saturday, January 28, from 5:30p-8:30p in Lower Level B.

2016 YEAR END CONTRIBUTIONS

Friday, December 30, is the final day Tab is able to physically receive contributions in the Finance Office (before noon) for credit to your 2016 giving statement. *Checks dated, postmarked and sent via the US Mail on or before December 31* will be credited as 2016 giving even if received in 2017. All of the above is in accordance with IRS rules and regulations. Those interested in donating securities should contact Kristine Green in the Finance Office well in advance of year end.

2017 STEWARDSHIP PLEDGE CARDS

Thanks to all who have responded to our 2017 Stewardship Campaign. If you have not yet returned your pledge card for 2017 we encourage you to do so as soon as possible. Your pledged gifts of support assist the Session in planning for the coming year, and we thank you for your continued support of the ministries of Tab. If you have indicated that you would like pledge envelopes for 2017, they will be available for pickup in McKee Hallway beginning December 18.

CHRISTMAS JOY OFFERING

The Annual Christmas Joy Offering will be taken at Tab's Worship Service on Sunday, December 18. By giving to the Christmas Joy Offering you will be helping families of active and retired church workers. The offering is shared equally by the Assistance Program of the Board of Pensions and Presbyterian-related racial ethnic schools and colleges for education. Special envelopes will be available in that morning's worship bulletin. Please give generously.

The church offices will be closed on Monday, December 26, and Monday, January 2, in observance of the Christmas and New Year's holidays.

Advent Workshop

Sunday, December 4, 9a-11:45a



Join us in Lower Level B to make Christmas decorations, new friends & nice memories!



- Free for the entire family.
- Crafts for children, teens and adults.
- Nursery care is available.

Christmas Tea

Sunday, December 18
11:15 a.m.

Join us for this Tab tradition featuring special homemade treats and a great time of fellowship in the Dining Room following the "Christmas with Tab" worship service.





BAPTISMS

November 13 - Cameron James West

WELCOME LITTLE ONES

Congratulations to the Miller Family on the birth of their son, Luke Patrick Miller, on November 15. He is the son of Seth and Kathy Miller and the grandson of Bill and Helen McGuire.

OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY

The Tab Church family extends our sympathy to Nancy Koehring and her family in the passing of her mother, Janice Beyer, on Saturday, November 19; and to Karen Scamihorn and Paula Luzader in the passing of their father, Wayne Gray, on November 24. A service will be held on Saturday, December 3, at 12:00p in McKee Chapel. Visitation will be from 10:00a until the time of the service in the Parlor. Please keep these families in your prayers.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Income:

YTD budgeted income:	\$1,517,841
YTD actual income:	<u>\$1,598,158</u>
Actual exceeds budgeted by:	\$80,318

Expenses:

YTD budgeted expenses:	\$1,644,072
YTD actual expenses:	<u>\$1,525,022</u>
Expenses under budget by:	\$119,050

We thank you for your commitment to God's work here at Tab!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

December

- 1 Holyn Lair
Lily Sturgis
- 2 Nate Mylin
- 3 Charlton Browning
Linda Fledderjohn
Don White
- 4 Ace Rodriguez
Brodie Sears
Mariah Buchanan
- 5 Phillip Luzader
Kelly Donaldson
Scott Ledger
Twyla Cecil
- 6 Hunter Browning
Mary Dougherty
- 7 Lucia Oerter



HAPPY BIRTHDAY! (CONT'D)

December

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| 8 | Vicki Rude
Kate Warren
Ethan Dieterich
Marvin Parish | | Jack Thompson
Emma Lynn |
| 9 | John Reynolds
Shaun Souers | 23 | Carolyn Rembusch
Annie Krueger
Lisa Evans
Nick Hill |
| 11 | Shannon Woller
Kathryn Gilroy | 24 | Theresa Roberts
Audrey Howe
Carolyn Queisser |
| 13 | Bill Diener
Diego Urfalian
Grace Schumm | 26 | Jeannie Byers |
| 14 | Scott Browning | 27 | Mary Jane Laatz |
| 15 | Heidi Hoopingarner
Sarah Mohr
John Woller
Margaret Teague | 28 | Gavin Green
Ruby Scott
MaKenzie Lancaster
Tom Lapp |
| 16 | Daniel Brunette
Emmie Smith
Robin Pfeiffer | 29 | Chris Buchanan-Schwanke |
| 17 | Bloor Redding | 30 | Kathy Miller
Jeff Hotchkiss
Terra Seidel
James Fairley |
| 19 | Carol Lukemeyer
Jane Kukolla
Jim Pfeiffer | 31 | Sara Butler
Kate Ems |
| 20 | Emily McClelland
Grace Schubert
Carole Krider | | |
| 21 | Bob Shaw
Truman Finnell | | |
| 22 | Noelle Wilson | | |

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

December

- 4 Chad & Stephanie Lynn (12 years)
- 12 Jim & Jeannine Stokes (57 years)
- 18 Greg & Kathy Miller (40 years)
Nick & Maggie Birk (6 years)
Kyle & Brittany Barnett (6 years)
- 20 Glenn & Nancy Koehring (41 years)
Frank & Cathy Schubert (19 years)
- 21 David & Paula Means (3 years)
- 23 Jeff & Julie Swiatek (3 years)
- 24 Mike & Pat Cracraft (49 years)
- 28 Dave & Mary Mills (44 years)
- 29 William & Karen Jefferies (26 years)
Pete & Julie Peterson (26 years)

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POSTMASTER: Send address change to Tabernacle Presbyterian Church at the above address.

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS

*Help make Tab even more
gorgeous at Christmas!*

Purchase a poinsettia and donate "in memory of" or "in honor of" someone you love. It will decorate our beautiful Sanctuary throughout the Christmas season.

Cost for each plant is \$20

Given by: _____
please print clearly

In Memory of: In Honor of:

please print clearly

Total Enclosed: \$ _____

Please return this form to the Front Office no later than Sunday, December 4. Include your check to Tabernacle Presbyterian Church, marked "Poinsettia."

