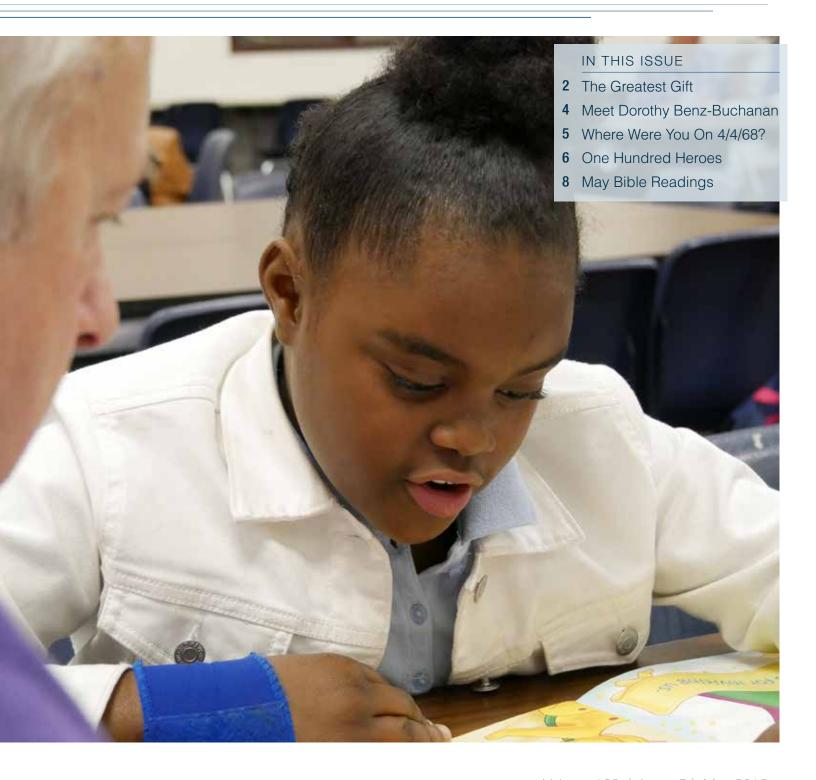
TOWERCHIMES





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

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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 Greatest Gift

Dear Friends,

Tab has been given a wonderful gift; our building, furnishings and grounds.

Our benefactors are all of the faithful and generous men and women of Tab who since 1921 and then subsequently through the years, have given of their time, talents and treasures to make this magnificent facility possible. We are deeply in their debt.

Now it is our responsibility to take good care of the gift we have been given.

Every year we designate nearly \$400,000 from our operating budget for our ongoing use and maintenance of the building; including utilities, cleaning and repairs. Invariably in a building that is nearly 100 years old, things wear out and break, and of course those repairs are often quite expensive, but the Session plans carefully for those needs and our Facilities Committee does an outstanding job of managing both our facilities and the budget.

You will notice now that there is scaffolding up on the northwest corner of the building. We are repairing and replacing windows in the Parlor, Walker Nursery and along the West side of the building. All of these windows were constructed in such a way that they have to be repaired by an expert in old buildings. This is one of those projects that we take on when funds are available. This portion of windows is being financed by a generous gift from a Tab church member along with funds from the Facilities Committee.

Perhaps you have also heard the news that very soon we will be replacing the parking lot. As many of you have commented, this project is long over-due. There are already several coats of asphalt on the lot, so this time we will have to go down to the base and completely repave. This will be an expensive (\$500,000+) and time-consuming project, but one that is absolutely necessary. We will keep you informed as to timing and accessibility to the building during the construction.

And of course you are now aware that the stadium project is completed. While there is still a shortfall in funding, young people are playing football; parents and friends are sitting in the stands; the concession stand is open; and we are finally able to provide our guests with adequate restroom facilities.

Whenever we have major expenses such as these, the question is invariably raised, "Why should we invest so much in a building? Aren't there other needs that are more important?" These are good questions which should be openly considered and discussed.

As I consider these expenditures, I think of them as being investments in the ministry God has given us to do in the Mapleton-Fall Creek neighborhood. Just as we have been given the gift of a facility by our ancestors, so we have been given the gift of a mission and ministry by our Lord. We can't do the ministry we have been called by God to do anywhere except at the corner of 34th and Central. Our building, furnishings and grounds are all part of our ministry.

So, we need to take care of the gift we have been given because it enables us to share the GREATEST GIFT we have been given by God - the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Thank you for your partnership and support of our mission and ministry.

See you in worship!

Rev. L. John Gable

May 2018

Preaching Schedule

- 6 "Present Glory" Romans 8:18-30 Rev. Oscar Clavel, preaching
- 13 "The One Who Is For Us" Psalm 103:1-18 Romans 8:31-39 Rev. L. John Gable, preaching
- "What Would You Be Willing to Do?" Acts 2:37-41 Romans 9 & 11 selected passages Rev. L. John Gable, preaching
- 27 One service only at 10:00a
 "The Message and the Messengers"
 Isaiah 40-21-31
 Romans 10:5-21
 Rev. L. John Gable, preaching

Weekly Bible Readings

- 6 Acts 10:44-48 Psalm 98 1 John 5:1-6 John 15:9–17
- 13 Acts 1:15-17, 21-26 Psalm 1 1 John 5:9-13 John 17:6-19
- 20 Acts 2:1-21 or Ezekiel 37:1-14 Psalm 104:24-34, 35b Romans 8:22-27 or Acts 2:1-21 John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15
- 27 Isaiah 6:1-8 Psalm 29 Romans 8:12-17 John 3:1-17

May Event Schedule

SPECIAL

1 7:00p TabFest Planning Meeting 2 2:00p Parking Lot Pre-Bid Meeting 6 12:00p Church Pitch-In - Cultivating a Garden of Friendship 2:00p Sally John Studio Recital 11:30a SMS 2018 Meeting 6:00p Nominating Committee 1:00p Parking Lot Task Force Meeting 4:30p Endowment Fund Trustees 6:30p Recreation Committee Meeting 6:30p Fresh Stop Kickoff Dinner 23 6:00p Nominating Committee 24 28 Church Office Closed -Memorial Day 6:30p Mapleton/Fall Creek Children's Arts Program Meeting

WEEKLY

SUN		Tab Soccer IMPACT Youth Group
MON		Cub Scout Pack Boy Scout Troop 72
TUE		Women Alive Prayer Ministry
WED	9:30a	Pastors' Bible Study
	12:30p	Arts Academy Lessons
	6:00p	Purls of Wisdom
	6:00p	Wednesdays@Tab Dinner
	6:30p	Contemporary Worship Reh
	6:30p	Wednesdays@Tab -
		Spiritual Formation Class
THU	3:45p	Tab Tutoring
	6:00p	Handbell Choir Rehearsal
	7:15p	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
FRI	5:30p	Friday Night Lights
	7:00p	Circle of Hope
SAT	8:00a	Men's Bible Study

MONTHLY

1st TUE		Missions Committee Adult Ministries
2nd MO		HR Committee Facilities Committee
2nd TUE	7:00p	Budget & Finance Children's Ministries Worship, Music & Arts
3rd TUE	_	Session Meeting Prayer Team Meeting
4th TUE	7:00p	Congregational Life Deacons' Meeting Media Committee
2nd WEI	D 10:30a	Ladies Quilting Group
4th WEI	D 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.

11:00a Tab's Open Door

Spotlight

Meet Dorothy Benz-Buchanan

Story by Camille Cantwell



At under five feet tall, Dorothy Benz-Buchanan may be small in stature, but she has been belting out high notes in the choir for the past 24 years. Majoring in voice at Butler University, Dorothy was a sophomore when she auditioned to be a soprano section leader at Tab. Matt Kaufman, Tab's Music Director, had her sight-read a Camille Saint-Saëns piece in French. "I told him I should get the part because it was my birthday," she chuckled.



Dorothy grew up as the youngest of six children. She was born in Vietnam and at four pounds, four ounces, was headed to the USA on one of the last planes to leave the country before the fall of Saigon. The only child without adoptive parents, she boarded as a last minute "extra." Little did anyone know that one of the children would pass away during the flight. She was adopted by the Benz family who lost that child and already had three older children. Her parents later adopted two more children, but she remains the youngest of them all.



Dorothy grew up in the Episcopal church, but she "really came to know God" when she was in college. She was an accomplished violinist with the Carmel High School Orchestra, having played since she was seven years old. The concert mistress of the orchestra, her decision to be a voice major was finalized just before starting college. She graduated from Butler in 1997.



Dorothy met her husband, Robert, in 1992. They met on the internet through a "poetry interest room" before it became popular to meet people on social media. Robert moved to Indiana from Virginia and they married in June 1999. They have one daughter, Becca, who is twelve, and as Dorothy put it, "a full tweenager."

After college, Dorothy continued as the soprano section leader at Tab. During this time, she used her music training to teach Kindermusik. "I love children," she remarked, remembering how many connections she made during those years of teaching. These connections have helped her launch her current entrepreneurial endeavors.

Today, Dorothy wears many hats. She's a freelance photographer, a fitness coach, and since July 2017, is a cabi stylist. "Cabi is a clothing company that creates alternative boutiques in women's homes and changes the way women shop and work," she explained.

As a fitness coach she has 30 clients. "My purpose is to share about my life and hopefully it will inspire others," she said. She works out at the Title Boxing Club regularly, but she still considers her role as a mom to be her greatest calling.

So the next time you see Dorothy singing in the choir loft hitting high notes that most of us can only dream of singing, tell her "thanks" and remember she is a faithful servant at Tab and a beautiful part of our church family.

Where Were You On April 4, 1968?

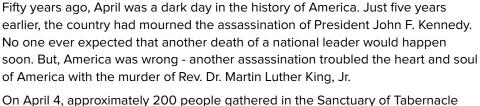
Story by Paula Means













On April 4, approximately 200 people gathered in the Sanctuary of Tabernacle Presbyterian Church to participate in a service of remembrance, acknowledgment and commitment.



The service was committed to honoring the work and memory of Dr. King while challenging those gathered to do something to carry on the dream and promise of Dr. King. Rev. Winterbourne Harrison-Jones, pastor of Witherspoon Presbyterian Church, delivered the sermon which included significant portions of the sermon Dr. King had planned to give on the Sunday that followed his death. The sermon title was "Why American May Go to Hell: Moral Imagination and the Danger of Being on the Wrong Side of History." The message was clear that everyone should use their Christian foundation to assess their own lives and that of their neighbors and ask, "What can I do to make our country treat all its citizens equally?" Rev. Harrison-Jones clearly stated that without true and unambiguous equality, the title of the sermon would become America's destiny.

The sermon was preceded with remembrances, song and Scripture. The sermon was followed by challenges from Jewish, Hispanic, African, Muslim and Christian representatives to the gathered body. The challenges described multiple inequities directly impacting each represented community and the damage it is doing to America.

Finally, the voice of future leaders, represented by A.J. Young, invited everyone to visit the multiple organizations setup in the Gym that represented varied needs throughout the community.

Organizers of the event, Justice Advocates in White Water Presbytery, were pleased with the event and the enthusiasm of all attendees. However, no one will truly be satisfied until the change called for that evening becomes a reality. Contact Ed Dykstra at ed.dykstra40@gmail.com if you are willing to help.

One Hundred Heroes

Story by Ose Agho/Photo provided by Raidious



As part of its centennial celebration, United Way of Central Indiana asked the community to nominate any person who raised a hand to help others and made a positive impact in the community. What came out of this was "100 Heroes" of our community. We are proud to let you know that Tab's Mission Director, Paula Means, was nominated for this honor. Congratulations, Paula, on this well-deserved recognition! Below is Paula's story written for United Way by Ose Agho. You can find out who the other 99 are at 100.uwci.org.

aula Means (formerly Paula Parker-Sawyers) has dedicated her life to making health a priority in Indianapolis. Throughout her career, she's championed for increasing health standards and reducing infant mortality rates.

Means credits her parents and grandparents for inspiring her to get involved in community service. Her father was a professional musician who knew the community well. He eventually went into politics, which opened Means' eyes to "the community and its needs and wants." Her mother was a champion in the community with the Girl Scouts, while her grandmother raised more than 100 children through babysitting. "I had wonderful role models who taught me the importance of giving back even when you feel you have nothing to give back," she said.

While growing up during the Civil Rights Era, Means became one of the first African-Americans to graduate

from Northwest High School and was an Indianapolis 500 Princess. During this time, she was incredibly influenced by the work of Marvella Bayh and Esther Bray - women who gave of themselves through political service from different sides of the aisle. "They realized the goal is the same even if we may be on different sides," she said.

Inspired by these dynamic women, Means dedicated herself to political service. She has spent decades focusing on health in Indianapolis; first in her role of City-County Councilwoman and later as the first female deputy mayor of Indianapolis and leader of the Indiana Office of Faith-Based and Community Initiatives. Her charge as deputy mayor was to reduce the infant mortality rate; something she is still passionate about today. "We continue to have babies die before they reach the age of one. As a community we fail in our efforts to keep that from happening. Infant mortality is a measure of the community's overall health. We aren't there yet." Means is also concerned about the disparate impact of infant mortality in minority communities. "African-American children are two times as likely to die as opposed to their Caucasian counterparts. For us to be strong as a community we must make health a priority."

Means embodies what it means to be an unsung hero, advocate and engaged citizen, and she encourages others to do the same. "Identify your own personal passion and have a love for that passion that goes beyond everyday activities. This is what keeps you going even when you are tired. Passion is key."

Tab News

Announcements & Events

SATURDAY MORNING MEN'S BIBLE STUDY: REVELATION - STARTING SATURDAY, MAY 5

Every Saturday morning from 8:00a-9:00a, a group of men from Tab and the community gather in the Resource Center to study God's Word and share their lives. In the past 10 years we have studied every book in the New Testament and many from the Old Testament, except one: Revelation. Starting Saturday, May 5, we are going to venture into John's Revelation, and all men are invited to join us. Bring your Bible and an open heart and mind as we study God's Word together.

PASTORS GABLE AND CLAVEL AT CREDO IN NORTH CAROLINA

Both of our pastors will be heading to Credo in Canton, North Carolina this month. John will be going as the conference leader (May 1-7) and Oscar as a participant (May 8-14). Credo is a program offered by the Board of Pensions of the Presbyterian Church USA for the welfare and wellbeing of pastors. Each conference gathers up to 30 pastors and a faculty of eight to address issues of clergy wellbeing: spiritually, vocationally, physically, emotionally and financially. Credo is a wonderful gift our Board of Pensions gives to our pastors. Please keep our pastors John and Oscar in your prayers while they are away.

REV. GABLE TO PREACH AT HANOVER COLLEGE

Rev. L. John Gable has been invited to preach at the baccalaureate service at Hanover College on Friday, May 25. Both John and Kris Gable are alumni of the college and John serves on the Board of Trustees.

KIDSGAMES VBS UPDATE

This summer's Vacation Bible School will be KidsGames, which combines sports camp in the morning, with traditional VBS in the afternoon. KidsGames will take place June 18-22 for all students entering grades one through seven. There is no fee to participate in KidsGames, but registration is required and can be found via a link on the Tab website. We will need many adult and teen volunteers to help as teachers, group leaders, game leaders and craft leaders. If you're available to help, we'd love to have you join the team! If you have questions about registering your child or would like to volunteer, please contact Jennifer Wirt at jennifer.wirt@tabpres.org or 317-923-5458, ext. 140.

SUMMER MUSICAL KICKOFF

All Tab students entering grades K-7 are encouraged to participate in this year's Summer Musical, "Thrive." Tryouts will begin on May 20 and our first rehearsal will take place on June 3. To celebrate the start of this year's musical adventure, we'll have a pizza party at 6:00p on Wednesday, June 6. We will rehearse each Wednesday evening from 6:30p-8:00p from June 6 - August 8. The performance of "Thrive" will take place on Sunday, August 19, at 12:45p following a pitch-in lunch.

Officer Recommendations Requested!

The Nominating Committee will begin its work in May to fill the Classes of 2022 for Elders, Deacons and Endowment Fund Trustees. Tab's Nominating Committee would appreciate your suggestions for potential candidates. Please fill out this form and return it to the Front Office by May 24, or you may email this information to jkukolla@icloud.com or jeannemorton@comcast.net.

Person you are recomme	enaing:	
Position (please circle):	Elder	Deacon
Eı	ndowment I	Fund Trustee
Why do you think this peoffice?	erson is gift	ed or qualified for this
Your name:		
Thank you for your help the hearts of those He is Committee as we seek (would have serve Him at	s calling an God's guida	d for your Nominating

There will be only one service of worship on Sunday, May 27, at 10:00a.

The Church Offices will be closed on Monday, May 28, in observance of Memorial Day.

May 2018

Read Through the Bible

1	Acts 14	Joshua 22	Job 31
2	Acts 15:1-21	Joshua 23-24	Job 32
3	Acts 15:22-41	Judges 1	Job 33
4	Acts 16:1-15	Judges 2-3	Job 34
5	Acts 16:16-40	Judges 4-5	Job 35
6	Acts 17:1-15	Judges 6	Job 36
7	Acts 17:16-34	Judges 7-8	Job 37
8	Acts 18	Judges 9	Job 38
9	Acts 19:1-20	Judges 10:1-11:33	Job 39
10	Acts 19:21-41	Judges 11:34-12:15	Job 40
11	Acts 20:1-16	Judges 13	Job 41
12	Acts 20:17-38	Judges 14-15	Job 42
13	Acts 21:1-36	Judges 16	Psalm 42
14	Acts 21:37-22:29	Judges 17-18	Psalm 43
15	Acts 22:30-23:22	Judges 19	Psalm 44
16	Acts 23:23-24:9	Judges 20	Psalm 45
17	Acts 24:10-27	Judges 21	Psalm 46
18	Acts 25	Ruth 1-2	Psalm 47
19	Acts 26:1-18	Ruth 3-4	Psalm 48
20	Acts 26:19-32	1 Samuel 1:1-2:10	Psalm 49
21	Acts 27:1-12	1 Samuel 2:11-36	Psalm 50
22	Acts 27:13-44	1 Samuel 3	Psalm 51
23	Acts 28:1-16	1 Samuel 4-5	Psalm 52
24	Acts 28:17-31	1 Samuel 6-7	Psalm 53
25	Romans 1:1-15	1 Samuel 8	Psalm 54
26	Romans 1:16-32	1 Samuel 9:1-10:16	Psalm 55
27	Romans 2:1-3:8	1 Samuel 10:17-11:15	Psalm 56
28	Romans 3:9-31	1 Samuel 12	Psalm 57
29	Romans 4	1 Samuel 13	Psalm 58
30	Romans 5	1 Samuel 14	Psalm 59
31	Romans 6	1 Samuel 15	Psalm 60

WELCOME LITTLE ONE

Congratulations to Katherine and Kevin Floore on the birth of their baby girl, Eloise Scott Floore, on March 22. She is the daughter of Katherine and Kevin Floore. Eloise is the granddaughter of Nancy Phillips McLane and Bill McLane, and the great-granddaughter of William (Andy) Phillips.

OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY

The Tab Church family extends our sympathies to Katie Orr in the passing of her mother, Carolyn Sue Eynon, on April 9; to the family of Damon Davis, who passed away on April 13; to Margie Craft in the passing of her grandmother, Ruth Leggett, on April 14; and to Dennis Johnson in the passing of his father, Paul, on April 15. Please keep these families in your prayers.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Income:

YTD budgeted income: \$604,625 YTD actual income: \$650,705 Income exceeds budget by: \$46,080

Expenses:

YTD budgeted expenses: \$639,539 YTD actual expenses: \$623,358 Expenses under budget by: \$16,181

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

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

May

- 3 Joel & Meagan Niese (15 years)
- 4 Derrick & Abbie Smith (5 years)
- 5 Mark & Debbie Midkiff (39 years)
- 10 Eric & Cheryl Herzog (31 years)
- 11 Mick & Paula Daum (16 years)
- 12 Dennis & Brookings Johnson (28 years)
- 14 Robert & Carol Lukemeyer (19 years)
- 16 Dave & Katie Perry (37 years)
- 18 Philo & Allison Lange (13 years)
- 19 Ryan & Sarah Noel (17 years)
- 20 Mitch & Cheri Daniels (40 years)
- 22 Adam & Caryn Packer (14 years)
- 25 Tom & Jennifer Wirt (33 years)
- 26 Jay & Anne Steger (34 years) Jim & Robin Pfeiffer (45 years)
- 28 Phil & Caitlin Teague (7 years)
- 29 Andy & Linda Costlow (36 years) Glenn & Eve Hanley (19 years)
- 31 Roderic & Judi Trabue (43 years)





HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

May

- 1 Robert Brown Bart Ost Christy Whaley Eric Kropp
- 3 Christine Gall Mark Midkiff Bill Heeter Daniel Rexroth Betsy Thompson Logan Cramer
- 4 Sherry Beasley
- 5 Connor Whaley
- 6 Penelope Costlow
- **7** David Brunsting Caroline Gable
- 8 Sondra Heeter Mark Wilkerson
- 9 Tom Huston Mary Phillips Doug Horth
- 10 Jane McClelland
- 11 Vicki Townsend Stephanie Lynn
- 12 Ann McKenzie Molly Booker David Burris
- 13 Cindy Verbarg Jeff Sumpter Margie White
- 14 Henry Date
 Ed Burns
 Karen Scamihorn
 Abigail Warren
 Betsy Morse
- 15 Sarah Lammers
- 16 Jeff Crane Kristine Crouch
- 17 L. John Gable Scott Waddell Carl Evans
- **18** Carol Hartman

- 19 Donna Bonifield Mary Mills Paul Kauffman Nathanael Smith Hazel Moudy
- 20 Cheri Daniels Hudson Fowler Suzie Booker Peter Marshall
- 22 Jennifer Russell
- 23 Jere Krueger Janie Hanley Henry Hanley
- 24 Nancy Fike
- 25 Billy Reel Kathy Ladavac
- 26 Ethan Fedor Valerie Finnell Mary Birk
- 27 Ryan Fowler
- 28 Jack Booker Barb Sullivan
- 29 Marilyn Kendrick Jacqueline Wimsatt
- 30 Eric Shaw
- 31 Ruth Anne Wright

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

Parking Lot Update

By Rod Iberg

After several meetings between the Parking Lot Committee and the architects, the design package was completed and submitted to the City in April for permitting, and to the contractors for their initial review.

In early May, the committee will host a pre-bid meeting for the interested contractors to come inspect the site and ask questions about the design. Their bids will then be due by May 10. After our engineer has summarized the results, the committee will meet to discuss the various options and determine who will be awarded the work. The results will then be presented to the Facilities Committee for approval at their meeting in May. If all goes as planned, the committee would then plan to bring a proposal for Session action to proceed at their meeting in May.

Part of the bid process will be the contractor's proposed schedule for completing all of the work. Once we have that information, we will be able to finalize and begin communicating how we plan to maintain our daily and weekend operations during this season of construction.

Please look for additional updates to come!



