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 WORSHIP 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

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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

Have You Made Arrangements?

Dear Friends,

I want to wish you a Happy New Year filled with the fullness of God's joy and blessings!

Just when you thought you were finished with the "gift-giving" season, I have one more "gift" I'd like to suggest that you give to your family members or whoever it will be who will take care of your affairs when you are gone: a funeral planning form. (Not quite as exciting as a new widescreen TV, is it?)

You know I have encouraged you to do this in the past and the beginning of the new year seems to be the perfect time to remind you again.

Quite candidly, funeral planning is difficult in that there are a lot of decisions that need to be made at a time when those being asked to make them feel least capable of doing so. I could tell you of numerous conversations I have had with family members or friends of a recently deceased loved one who has said, either, "I am so glad mom let us know exactly what she wanted" or conversely, "I wish dad had let us know what he wanted."

I have also had numerous conversations with individuals or couples through the years who once they have completed their funeral arrangement forms have said, "I feel such a sense of relief now. That has been sitting on my desk for months!"

Included in this Chimes is a copy of the Funeral Arrangement Form we use at Tab. You can download it or pick up a hard copy at church. You will see questions there that whoever it is that will be taking care of your affairs will want to know, and perhaps some questions that you aren't yet sure of yourself, but are important for you to think about. Funeral service or memorial? Casket or cremation? Favorite hymns and Scripture lessons? Designation of memorial gifts given in your name? And on and on. There are a lot of things to consider.

Once you've completed the form, return it to the Front Office. We will make a copy/copies for you and then keep the original in your family file at Tab. If you have questions that you'd like to talk with either Oscar or me about as you fill out the form, feel free to give either of us a call.

Filling out a funeral arrangement form hardly seems like a very great gift, does it? But it really is a wonderful gift that will be greatly appreciated by whoever it is that will be making decisions for you after you are gone.

I look forward to worshiping with you this Sunday and throughout the new year!

Rev. L. John Gable

January 2020

Preaching Schedule

- 5 Rev. Oscar Clavel, preaching
- 12 "A Church For the World"
 Deuteronomy 9:12-21
 Matthew 28:16-20
 Rev. L. John Gable, preaching
- 19 "A Church To the World"Romans 13:1-7Matthew 5:13-16Rev. L. John Gable, preaching
- 26 "A Church In the World"

 Matthew 25:31-46

 Romans 12:1-2

 Rev. L. John Gable, preaching

Weekly Bible Readings

- Jeremiah 31:7-14
 Psalm 147:12-20
 Ephesians 1:3-14
 John 1:(1-9), 10-18
- 12 Isaiah 42:1-9 Psalm 29 Acts 10:34-43 Matthew 3:13-17
- 19 Isaiah 49:1-7 Psalm 40:1-11 1 Corinthians 1:1-9 John 1:29-42
- 26 Isaiah 9:1-4 Psalm 27:1, 4-9 1 Corinthians 1:10-18 Matthew 4:12-23

Event Schedule

SPECIAL

1 Church Offices Closed
13 3:00p Endowment Fund SubCommittee
4:30p Facilities Sub-Committee
Meeting
18 9:00a Inquirers' Class
19 10:00a Special Session Meeting
20 MLK Day Observance Church Closed
11:00a Preteen Lunch and a Movie

25 8:30p Family Fun Night

WEEKLY

SUN 5:00p IMPACT Youth Group MON 6:00p Cub Scout Pack 72 6:00p Women's Bible Study 7:00p Boy Scout Troop 72 TUE 9:45a Women Alive 6:30p Prayer Ministry WED 9:30a Pastors' Bible Study 10:00a Preschool Play Day 12:30p Arts Academy Lessons 6:00p Purls of Wisdom 6:00p Dinner & OT Study 6:30p Contemporary Worship Band Rehearsal THU 3:45p Tab Tutoring 7:15p Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal FRI 7:00p Circle of Hope SAT 8:00a Men's Bible Study

MONTHLY

1stMON5:00pHR Meeting2ndMON5:00pFacilities Committee1stTUE5:30pMissions Committee
Adult Education2ndTUE5:00pBudget & Finance
7:00p2ndTUE5:00pBudget & Finance
7:00p3rdTUE7:00pSession Meeting4thTUE5:30pCongregational Life
7:00p4thTUE7:00pMedia Committee
7:00p2ndWED7:00pLadies Quilting Group4thWED10:30aLadies Quilting Group2ndSAT10:00aPurls of Wisdom4thSAT10:00aPurls of Wisdom

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

MWF 11:00a Tab's Open Door

Fresh Stop Produce

Nourishing Mind, Body and Spirit









Fresh Stop Produce is a ministry of Tab that brings locally-grown fresh produce and grass-fed beef to people of all income levels. The sliding-scale pricing makes fresh, organic produce affordable at half the price. Below is a testimonial written by one of the regular patrons of Fresh Stop Produce. To learn more about Fresh Stop Produce, go to freshstop.org/tab.

"I thank God, Sally John, and volunteers from Tab for investing themselves in the well-being of my life through the Fresh Stop ministry. Fresh Stop has nourished my mind, body and spirit as my eyes have been opened to God as Creator and keeper of His children. Being disabled with medical issues including heart disease, high blood pressure, insulin resistance, obesity, and connective tissue disease, I have found living in a 'food desert' daunting; as pain, fatigue and transportation constraints limited my ability to shop for healthy foods. Ordering groceries online meant paying well over what I could afford and I didn't always receive the correct items.

Through Fresh Stop, I received wonderful assortments of brightly colored vegetables that are at a price I can afford and the cooking demonstrations were a great motivation for getting on a healthy eating track. Reading about God giving manna in the wilderness and Daniel's refusal to eat the king's rich food convicted my heart. Because I know I have health issues related to poor quality food, I have even more responsibility to make every effort to eat better. Fresh Stop has helped in ways that still remain to be seen, but currently, I have staved off Type 2 Diabetes and the weight I have lost has stayed off. I noticed that processed/prepared foods made me starved and ravenous and the healthier Fresh Stop vegetables and wonderful recipes that come with the food satisfy my appetite.

It is a tremendous blessing to buy beef that is free of hormones and antibiotics, which I was told by a nutritionist contribute to obesity and cancer. With cooking shows, food commercials and podcasts, we live in a food culture that enjoys food as entertainment, and fortunately, there are programs that educate; as does Fresh Stop - that God gave us food to nourish and to heal, as well as to enjoy. Fresh Stop has a delightful social atmosphere as I have shared other peoples' excitement about the ministry and healthy eating as it grows my mind, body and spirit. I had the thrilling experience of seeing Brussels sprouts on the stalk for the first time. My prior experience with Brussels sprouts was frozen in a plastic bag, while here before me was a God-created sculpture and I marveled at what an artist is our Creator. Just as 'form follows function,' off popped a Brussels sprout beckoning me to taste. I chomped down and the Brussels sprout bit back with a unique crisp taste that would make a great slaw - yummy!! I crunched and savored the flavor, anticipating when my 'edible sculpture' would become a nutritious and savory meal. Thank you very much for Fresh Stop!!"

Spotlight

Exciting Discipleship Opportunities at Tab



Almost every day at Tab there is an opportunity for you to grow in your faith and deepen relationships. Make discipleship a part of your life in 2020 and join any of these spectacular classes:

MONDAY

Women's Bible Study - Parlor - 6:00p (Beginning January 13)

Ladies, we're beginning a new 12-week study on the topic of the Women of the Old Testament on January 13. These studies are an encouraging start to the week and a great way to connect, pray, and learn with other women. Contact Ruth Miller at mrs.ruth.h.miller@gmail.com or Jennifer Hamilton at jenns.hamilton@gmail.com for a study guide or questions.

TUESDAY

Women Alive - Parlor - 10:00a (Beginning January 7)

Women Alive is for women of all ages who seek to know themselves and God more thoroughly, while moving through life together. We are currently studying *Emotionally Healthy Spirituality: It's Impossible to Be Spiritually Mature While Remaining Emotionally Immature* by Peter Scazzero. In this book, he unveils what's wrong with our current definition of "spiritual growth" and offers a model of spirituality that works with seven steps which will help you experience authentic faith and hunger for God. Contact: Sally John at sallybjohn@gmail.com

WEDNESDAY

Pastor's Bible Study - Parlor - 9:30a- (Beginning January 8)

Every week our pastors dedicate time to studying Scripture in preparation for the inspirational sermons we hear on Sunday. This class shares the wealth of knowledge they have gleaned from their study and provides historical and cultural gems from the Biblical era that often can't be presented in a sermon. Come prepared with a Bible for this insightful and conversational class.

Wednesdays@Tab - Old Testament Survey - Dining Room - 6:00p (Beginning January 15)

Last fall Rev. John Gable offered an Old Testament survey course that covered the period from the time of Moses to the Fall of the Northern Kingdom of Israel (721 BC). Ninety people signed up and showed up, but we are only halfway through the story. A second six-week class will begin on Wednesday, January 15, with dinner beginning at 6:00p and teaching from 6:30p-7:30p. We will pick up the story with the Fall of the Southern Kingdom of Judah and follow the story right up until

the time of the birth of Jesus. Interested? It doesn't matter whether you were part of the first semester or not, please send an email to Rev. L. John Gable at john.gable@tabpres. org.

SATURDAY

Men's Bible Study - Gospel of John - Resource Center - 8:00a (Beginning January 4)

The Gospel of John provides an account of Jesus' life that is unlike the other gospels. John invites us to be still and know; to look again into the human face of Jesus of Nazareth, until the awesome knowledge comes over us, wave upon terrifying wave, that we are looking into the human face of the living God. Join the men of Tab as they read this book and uncover the culture of the Middle East during the time of Jesus, and learn how to discern the presence of God for their lives. Contact: Doug Conrad at dlconrads@yahoo.com

SUNDAY

Whisper - Parlor - 9:00a (Beginning January 5)

Many people have a tough time believing that God still speaks. We've learned from Scripture that God spoke to His people in ancient times and in mysterious ways, but how do we hear His voice now? In this four-session series, we are introduced to the seven love languages of God - each of them unique and entirely divine. By learning to tune in and decipher each language, believers are equipped to hear God's guidance and grow closer to Him. Contact: Lezlie Laxton at lezlie5297@yahoo.com

Faith in Action - Parlor - 10:00a (Beginning January 5)

God calls us, the Church, to participate in the restoration of society so that all, especially the weak and vulnerable, can witness God's original intention for human society: a world where basic needs are met, people flourish, and shalom reigns. To do this, the church rightly emphasizes the generous administration of mercy, but we fall short if we do not also work to uncover the root causes of what keeps people poor, hungry, and powerless. You are invited to join your Tab family as we explore the theme of social justice throughout the Scriptures, unpack the work of justice as a demonstration of Christ's character into the world, discuss the specific issues of justice for which the Gospel calls us to prayerful and meaningful action, and survey our community to expose root causes of injustice and learn how Christians locally and abroad are working to remove those barriers. Rev. Oscar Clavel, Rev. Terri Thorn, and special guests will be presenting. Contact: Rev. Oscar Clavel at oscar.clavel@tabpres.org or Rev. Terri Thorn at terri.thorn@tabpres.org

Missions Report

A Room With A View

Story by Terri Thorn, Missions Director

Every day, as I walk into work, I wonder if today will be the day that folks suddenly realize that they've given the best office in the building to the newest person on staff. Yes, I fully expect that the day will come when someone will tell me there's been a mistake; however, until then, I cherish the blessing of being able to bask in the morning sunlight as it streams through the many windows in my "corner office with a view."

And, may I just say, what a view it is! From where I sit I can see one of the busier intersections in the neighborhood (34th and Central): buses and parents bringing kids to and from School 48; folks gathering at the IndyGo bus stop to make their way to places I've yet to discover; neighbors chatting and laughing at the gazebo of Constitution Gardens; and many of my newest friends walking up the sidewalk toward the Open Door entrance. I can also see the emergency vehicles running past with lights and sirens, as well as the dozens of vehicles that make their way in and out of the Tab parking lot each day. In fact, there is so much activity to take in that one may wonder how I get anything accomplished from my office.

This would be a good question, I think, if I had a normal "desk job." But, thanks be to God, I do not! Oh, I'm sure there is a formal position description on file somewhere, but to me, my "job" is about being out and about, observing and listening, connecting, encouraging, and collaborating with people - particularly our neighbors and other faithful folks in the community. Best of all, I experience this position as one of dreaming and envisioning what it looks like to live in the realm of God here and now in our neighborhood, as well as discovering faithful, compassionate ways to invite others to do the same.

Still, as unstructured as my job may seem, most days in that corner office begin with the same routine. I start by just looking out the window - taking in glimpses of the neighborhood - and pray for God's light to shine upon us all. Then, as I begin to process the items on my calendar, I pause to look out those glorious windows one more time, eyes landing on the beautiful stone marker and ask myself, "How does this (thing I am about to do) foster Greater Faith, Deeper Relationships or Stronger Communities? This question has become the guiding mantra as I get to serve as your mission director.



Friends, Tab is blessed with many folks who are willing to view themselves through the window of, "How do I contribute to Greater Faith, Deeper Relationships or Stronger Community?" I am excited for the opportunity to get to work alongside such faithful servants in 2020. It's my hope that we will use this space in the Chimes to highlight what we are "seeing" in around our neighborhood. Please, feel free to stop by the best office in the building and share the stories with me. I look forward to hearing them...and we can look out the windows together!

Tab News

Announcements & Events

HOLIDAY CLOSINGS

The Church Offices will be closed on January 1, for the New Year's Day holiday. Have a safe and blessed New Year! The church will also be closed on January 20, in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

MISSION UNIT KICKS OFF

It's time for all Tab elementary students to begin their "trip around the world" during this year's Missions Unit. On January 5, we'll prepare for our journey by making passports and name pins, decorating our travel bags, and learning a bit about the steps involved in becoming a missionary. Then on January 12 and continuing through February 23, we'll be visiting a new country each week to learn about the geography, language, culture, religious practices and Christian mission efforts of that country. This year's countries include Haiti, Australia, Spain, Morocco, Japan, Iceland, and the Sioux Nation in South Dakota.

ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF NEW OFFICERS

Please join us in worship on Sunday, January 12, as we ordain and install new elders and deacons. Please also remember to keep these leaders of our church in your thoughts and prayers.

ONE-DAY INQUIRERS' CLASS

A one-day Inquirers' Class will be offered on Saturday, January 18, from 9:00a to noon in the Parlor for anyone interested in knowing more about the mission and ministry of Tab or is considering church membership. The class will be led by John Gable and Oscar Clavel. Those participating in the class will be invited to become members of Tab, but membership is optional. Contact: Paula Daum at paula.daum@tabpres.org or 317-923-5458, ext 104

LIFE AS WE KNOW IT - LOCATION TBD - 10:00A (BE GINNING JANUARY 19)

"Life As We Know It" is a 4-week course designed to help newer members and regular attenders create community at Tab. Facilitated by Nancy Schneider, the group will explore common parts to every life story: beginnings, obstacles, hopes and a future. Materials will be distributed on the first Sunday, so advanced registration is appreciated. Interested? Send an email to Nancy at schneider.nw@gmail.com. This experience will be repeated several times throughout the year.

PRETEEN "LUNCH AND A MOVIE"

On Monday, January 20, all Tab fifth and sixth-graders are invited to join us for our traditional MLK day outing. We will go out together for lunch and then head to Castleton for a movie. The cost per student is \$5. Please let Mrs. Wirt know by January 16 if you're going on the trip so we can be sure to have enough drivers. Contact: jennifer.wirt@tabpres.org or 923-5458, ext. 140

FAMILY FUN NIGHT

On January 25, beginning at 5:30p, Children's Ministries will host a Family Fun Night for the entire Tab family. We'll have a pitch-in dinner, followed by board games, Euchre, and a family-friendly film on the Gallery "big screen." Children's Ministries will provide the main dish and beverages. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share. No reservations are needed, and childcare will be available after dinner for children younger than five.

SAVE THE DATE!

Join us for a very special evening at Tab on Tuesday, February 11, 2020, for the presentation of the Dawson Award. Doors open at 6:30p. Our special guest that evening will be George Hill, NBA player, and former Tab Recreation participant!

Tabernacle Presbyterian Church Officers

The Session

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BAPTISM

December 15 - Jessica Donella Wentworth

WELCOME LITTLE ONES

We are delighted to announce the arrival of Lucy May Parr, born on December 13. She is the daughter of Nick and Allie Parr. Lucy is the granddaughter of Janie Parr and the great-granddaughter of Mary Ellen May; and Milena Camila Reel, born on November 3, in Phoenix. She is the daughter of Lenny and Gricelda Reel, sister of Leo Reel, and the granddaughter of Rick and Patty Reel. Congratulations to these families!

OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY

The Tab Church family extends our sympathies to the family of David Jennings who passed away on Sunday, December 1. David was married to Rhonda (Welborn) and is survived by three sons: Brian, Kevin and Andrew; to Carol Lukemeyer and her family in the passing of her mother, Mary Johnston Brown, on November 30; and to Brenda and Scott Lummis and their family on the passing of Brenda's mother, Alice Stapleton, on December 19. Please keep these families in your thoughts and prayers.

FINANCIAL REPORT Month of November 2019

Income:

YTD budgeted income: \$1,903,103
YTD actual income: \$1,895,885
Income less than budget by: \$7,218

Expenses:

YTD budgeted expenses: \$2,133,387 YTD actual expenses: \$1,996,561 Expenses under budget by: \$136,826

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





HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

January

- 1 Ruth McDonald
- 2 Kathy Brown-Mayes Rose Pittman Rob Springer
- 3 Jeanne Moosey Holly Cates Kerry Mitchell Bill Daymon
- 4 Brian Russell
- 5 Janet Hohlt
- 6 Kathy Fowles
- 7 Dennis JohnsonStella FowlesStephanie Verbarg
- 8 Annette Ireland Lainey Meils Dave Mills
- 10 Barbara Babcock Kathy Gunn Caleb Goss
- 11 Lucas Meils John Byers Camille Cantwell
- 12 Ellie Morse Jami Turman Heather Gillespie Gina Klopp
- 13 Erica Koehring
- 14 Caroline Gilroy
 Don Douglass
 Bethany Chatelain
- 15 John Keller Elizabeth Pike
- 16 Jasmine Townsend Fritz Blum Weber Morse
- 17 Marshall McKenna Jeanne Spellman

- Tate Turman Lilia Smith
- 18 Rod Lanum Matt Gall
- 19 Richard Hall Kayleigh Schumm
- 20 Kathy Williams Michael Jefferies
- 21 Charles Packer Eric Herzog
- 22 Carolyn Dodd
- 23 Julie Hudson Will Hobbs
- 25 Larry Tovsky Joshua Kupke Kathy Dickerman
- 26 Craig Costlow Randy Belden Don Heitman
- 27 Heather Miller Andrew Hamilton Sarah Malito Tom Ahearn
- 28 Brenda Huston
- 30 Susie Birk
- 31 Meg Sterchi Kelly Graner

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

January

- 4 Eric & Lucy Kropp (17) years)
- 5 Ryan & Sarah Brennan (1 year)
- 9 Jonathan & Jennifer Russell (10 years)
- 15 John & Jackie Wimsatt (9 years)
- 17 Randy & Jacquie Green (17 years)
- 19 Jeffrey & Denise Ridenour (29 years)
- 28 Eric & Anne Lange (8 years)

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

January 2020 Read Through the Bible

1	Luke 5:27-39	Genesis 1-2	Psalm 1
	Luke 6:1-26	Genesis 3-5	Psalm 2
2 3	Luke 6:27-49	Genesis 6-7	Psalm 3
4	Luke 7:1-17	Genesis 8-10	Psalm 4
5	Luke 7:17	Genesis 11	Psalm 5
6	Luke 8:1-25	Genesis 12	Psalm 6
7	Luke 8:26-56	Genesis 13-14	Psalm 7
8	Luke 9:1-27	Genesis 15	Psalm 8
8 9	Luke 9:28-62	Genesis 16	Psalm 9
10	Luke 10:1-20	Genesis 17	Psalm 10
11	Luke 10:21-42	Genesis 18	Psalm 11
12	Luke 11:1-28	Genesis 19	Psalm 12
13	Luke 11:29-54	Genesis 20	Psalm 13
14	Luke 12:1-31	Genesis 21	Psalm 14
15	Luke 12:32-59	Genesis 22	Psalm 15
16	Luke 13:1-17	Genesis 23	Psalm 16
17	Luke 13:18-35	Genesis 24	Psalm 17
18	Luke 14:1-24	Genesis 25	Psalm 18
19	Luke 14:25-35	Genesis 26	Psalm 19
20	Luke 15	Genesis 27:1-45	Psalm 20
21	Luke 16	Genesis 27:46-28:22	Psalm 21
22	Luke 17	Genesis 29:1-30	Psalm 22
23	Luke 18:1-17	Genesis 29:31-30:43	Psalm 23
24	Luke 18:18-43	Genesis 31	Psalm 24
25	Luke 19:1-27	Genesis 32-33	Psalm 25
26	Luke 19:28-48	Genesis 34	Psalm 26
27	Luke 20:1-26	Genesis 35-36	Psalm 27
28	Luke 20:27-47	Genesis 39	Psalm 28
29 30	Luke 21 Luke 22:1-38	Genesis 38 Genesis 39	Psalm 29 Psalm 30
30 31	Luke 22:1-36 Luke 22:39-71	Genesis 40	
31	Luke 22.39-/1	Geriesis 40	Psalm 31