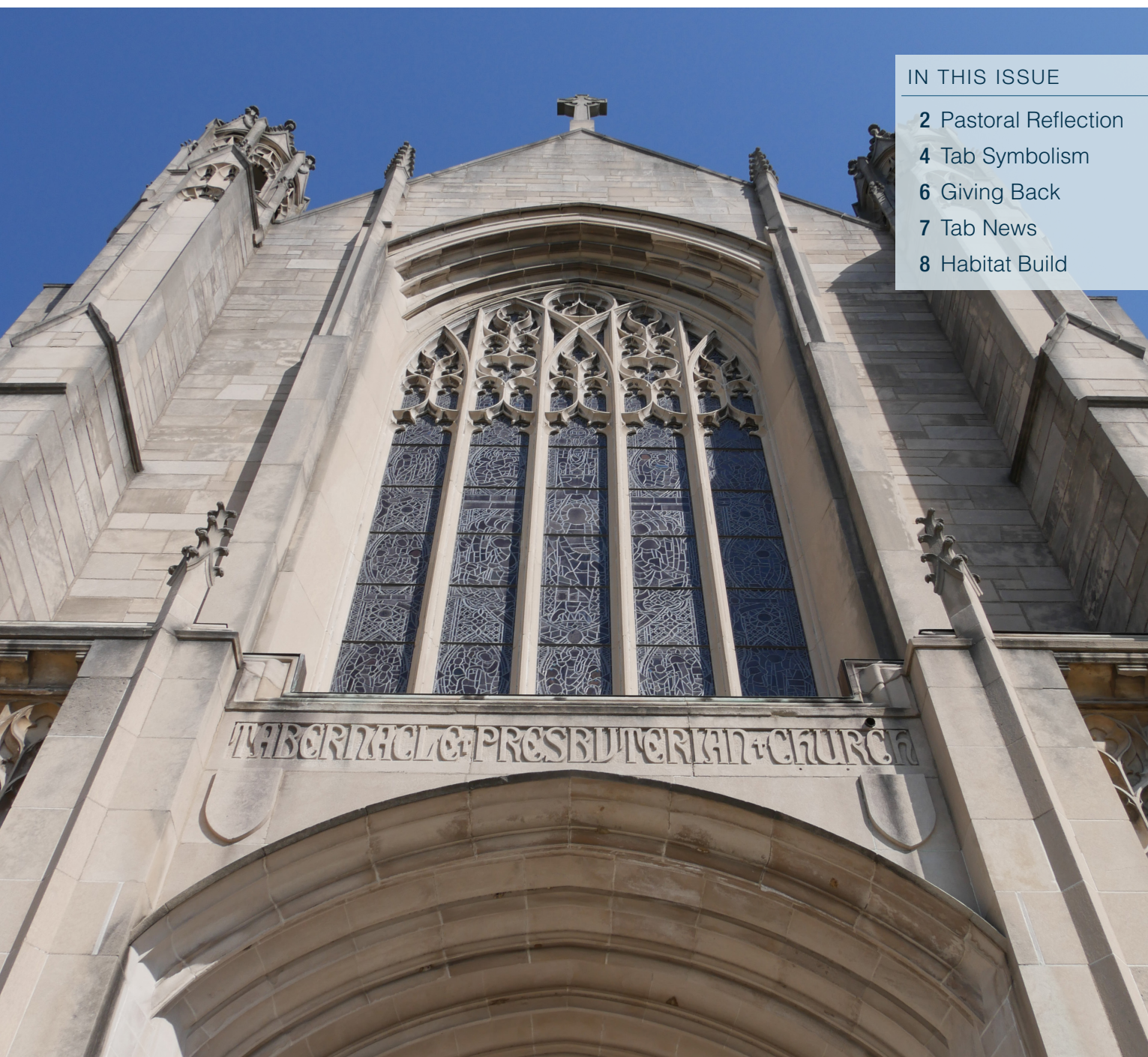


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TAB

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.

IN-PERSON SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

8 am Communion Service

McKee Chapel

10 am Worship Service

Sanctuary

Service is also live-streamed each Sunday beginning around 9:50am.

You can find a link at tabpres.org

Join us as we worship together!

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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 the Tab offices at frontdesk@tabpres.org. The submission deadline is the 15th of each month for appearance in the upcoming month's Tower Chimes.



Pastoral Reflection

A New Plan...

Dear Friends,

During the past several months, since Oscar's departure, the Session and Human Resources Committee have spent a substantial amount of time discussing our next steps. Whenever there is a significant staff change it is wise to carefully reflect and consider not only the challenge but also the opportunity it presents.

One of the first steps we took was to contact Rev. Alan Thames, Executive Presbyterian of the Whitewater Valley Presbytery, who met with us to explore various options for filling the Associate Pastor position. The Session determined the benefit of seeking a Transitional Associate Pastor who would join our staff immediately and work with us while the Session explored future staffing models.

Who could fill such a role? Alan gave us several names of possible candidates to interview, which we did, but the best possible candidate was already on our staff: Rev. Terri Thorn, our missions director.

Prior to joining us two years ago Terri served as pastor of First Presbyterian Church in Lebanon, Indiana for nine years. After leaving that position she was led to Tab to follow her passion for community ministry. In her time with us she has ably led our Mission Committee and has done a wonderful job helping us to navigate our ministry and outreach to our neighbors during an unprecedented time of pandemic. She has helped us, as a Mission Committee and a congregation, to emphasize the relational aspects of our ministry which goes beyond merely providing funds to help pay for utilities and rent. We have felt and appreciated her passionate faith and her love for the neighbors we serve.

When the Transitional Associate Pastor position came open Terri and I began having conversations as to her possible interest and what that position might look like. We began envisioning merging the Mission Director position description with the former Associate Pastor position description, moving it from part-time to full-time, which will allow Terri to use and expand her many gifts for ministry. Given that the Session will continue to explore other staffing models we proposed that this be on a one-year, renewable contract. We presented this idea to the Human Resources committee and the Session and got their full endorsement.

When Terri started with us several years ago we knew we were grateful that she decided to join us in our mission and ministry at Tab; at that time, however, we had no idea how grateful we would be that she is able and willing to expand her role and ministry with us in this way.

Terri will begin her new ministry with us on October 1. So as you see her, please welcome her AGAIN to Tab.

I look forward to being with you in worship!

God's blessings,
Rev. L. John Gable

October 2021

Preaching Schedule

- 3** WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY
"One Lord, One Faith, One Baptism"
Ephesians 4:1-6
Rev. L. John Gable, preaching
- 10** "Children of God"
I John 3:1-10 & I John 3:11-24
Rev. L. John Gable, preaching
- 17** "God is Love"
I John 4:7-21
Rev. L. John Gable, preaching
- 24** "The Wisdom of Wealth"
Proverbs 3:1-18 & Luke 12:13-20
Rev. L. John Gable, preaching
- 31** "A Litany of the Faithful"
Hebrews 11:1-12:2
Rev. L. John Gable, preaching

FAITHFUL

Tab Stewardship 2022

- The stewardship theme this year is very appropriately titled "FAITHFUL."
- Looking back on the past 18 months of pandemic challenges when so much of the way we do life, and church, has changed, the Tab church family has remained faithful in support of our mission and ministry. Even when the Sanctuary was empty, and we were forced to worship virtually from our homes, your gifts continued to come in through the mail, online and even pushed under the door. We are grateful for your faithfulness.
- We also know that any faithfulness we show is merely a faint reflection of the faithfulness God has shown to us not only during the past 18 months, but through the generations. Our faithfulness is in response to God's faithfulness.
- Soon you will be receiving stewardship information for 2022. Please prayerfully consider the ways God has been faithful to you and the ways you can be faithful in response.

Stewardship Dedication Sunday is November 21, 2022.

Read Through The Bible printouts can be picked up at the Front Office

Event Schedule

SPECIAL

- 2** 10:00a Neighborhood Clean-Up
- 3** 9:00a Blood Drive
- 9** 9:00a Inquirers' Class
9:00a Fresh Stop
- 17** 11:00a Congregational Fish Fry
- 20** 6:30p Mom's of Tab
- 24** 11:00a Tab Tour
- 29** 6:00p Trunk or Treat
- 30** 8:30a Sertoma Recycle Force Day
- 31** 9:00a Congregational Meeting

WEEKLY

- MWF** 11:00a Tab's Open Door
- MON** 6:00p Women's Bible Study
- TUE** 6:30p Prayer Group
- WED** 9:30a Pastors' Bible Study
- FRI** 6:00p Circle of Hope
- SAT** 8:00a Men's Bible Study
- SUN** 8:00a Communion Service
9:00a Education Hour
10:00a Worship
Junior Church
4:30p IMPACT Youth Group

MONTHLY

- 1st MON** 12:00p HR Comm.
- 1st TUE** 7:00p Spiritual Growth & Development
- 2nd MON** 5:30p Facilities Committee
- 2nd TUE** 5:00p Budget & Finance Comm.
7:00p Children's Ministries Comm.
7:15p Worship, Music, Arts Comm.
- 3rd TUE** 7:00p Session Mtg.
- 4th TUE** 7:00p Deacons' Meeting
Media Committee
- 2nd WED** 5:30p Missions Committee
- 2nd & 4th SAT** 10:00a Purls of Wisdom

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

A Look Back at Tab Symbolism

Symbolism & Design of Our Sanctuary

by Ruth McDonald

When I first wrote this article, I did not know how perfectly John Gable's sermon on September 5 was going to complement what I'd uncovered in the history archives recently. If you haven't already heard that message, please do yourself a favor and listen to "The Architecture of Worship".

STYLE: 15th century of French Gothic, characterized by the pointed-arch motif, hammer-beam trusses, carved woodwork, stained-glass windows and verticality. What the viewer and visitor experiences can be very emotional, which is the actual intent of the Gothic style. Both believers and non-believers were impressed with the Gothic structure whose enormous towers became beacons of spirituality to the towns and countryside. Other styles of architecture became popular. However, many people felt that no other style could approach the Gothic when it came to Christian churches. The massive stone pillars in the Sanctuary gave it a likeness of the cathedrals in Europe, but with a warmth which they do not have.

The plan of the church was cruciform; the transepts and galleries representing the arms of the cross and the chancel, including the Communion table, representing the head of the cross.

SYMBOLISM IN THE PLANNING:

Nave – 7 bays = 7 original churches

Chancel and Choir windows – 5 sections = Christ and the 4 Evangelists

Clerestory windows – 3 sections = Trinity

Side aisle windows – 2 sections = Old and New Testament

Front doors – 3 sections = Trinity

Carved border – vine and grapes = Jesus' saying of "I am the vine...ye are the branches."

Arches: Clustered, pointed Gothic arches executed in Indiana limestone

Exterior stone carvings: The building name and sayings carved above the entries are beautiful. The carved name of the building over the main entrance would become one of the architect's trademarks.

BUILDING MATERIALS:

Indiana Limestone for its color variations and liveliness

Slate roofing for its tone and richness

Copper guttering and trim for its green patina

Oak woodwork and flooring (much being carved)

Fluted stone columns carry the hammer-wood trusses supporting the roof

Moravian tile floor

Bronze lanterns





OTHER FACTS AND ROOM SIZES:

Sanctuary = 50' x 80' plus 25' x 16' transepts and 22' x 24' Chancel

Narthex = 12' x 50'

Altar / Communion Table – positioned high to be the center of the service and can be seen from all parts of the Sanctuary. Decorated with painted shields depicting the

APOSTLES:

St. Peter – Crossed keys and inverted cross

St. Paul – Bible (included though not one of the original Twelve Apostles)

St. Andrew – X-shaped cross

St. Matthew – Three silver money bags

St. John – Snake and chalice

St. Thomas – Carpenter's square

St. Matthias – Axe (the replacement of Judas Iscariot)

St. James the Greater – Scallop shells

St. James the Less – Bow saw

St. Jude – Golden ship

St. Philip – Loaves of bread

St. Bartholomew – Knives

(These shields are repeated at the ends of ceiling trusses.)

(St. Simon the Zealot was not represented. His shield would have displayed a book standing lengthwise on its edge and a fish lying on the upper edge of the book; the fish signifying that he was "a fisher of men" and the book signifying the Gospel.)

The back of the communion table is a seat for the minister when he/she administers the sacrament. The back of this seat has a very fine carved canopy divided into seven divisions and forms the pulpit which is several steps above the table platform. The two benches at the base of the Triumphal Arch represent the new and old dispensation.

Behind the Sanctuary on the main level, there was also a minister's study, the Session room and the church office. The choir room is on the second floor. The ground floor contains the assembly room with stage (used for Sunday School and social purposes); also the kitchen, pantry, boiler rooms and ventilating system.

All the important lines of the church are vertical, which gives an impression of added height. This impression was particularly desirable and necessary in this instance, as the proposed Chapel and Educational/Community House which will be placed at the left will be of good size and must not dwarf the church proper.

Research compiled by Jerry McMahan, a former Tab member and architect

Next time you are in the Sanctuary, check these out for yourself.

Giving Back

Vivian Prible Steps Up!

When Vivian heard about the Open Door Ministry's need for towels she was ready to take action! Vivian held a lemonade stand, reached out to her classmates and friends for help and collected funds. With this collection and some of her own money, Vivian was able to buy new towels for Open Door. We were so thrilled to see Vivian deliver these and spread her love to our community.



Reserve Today!



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Fish Fry

**October 17
at 11a**

MENU INCLUDES:

Fried Cod Fish
*bun/tartar sauce optional
Creamy Cole Slaw
Mac + Cheese
Baked Beans
Hushpuppies
& Apple Crisp

Reservations are required. Reserve your plate by calling the Front Office or emailing frontdesk@tabpres.org. Reservations close October 10.

Tab News

Announcements & Events

WELCOME LITTLE ONES

We are delighted to announce the arrival of Leo Scott Moudy born on September 6. Leo is the son of Amanda Foster-Moudy and David Moudy and little brother to Hazel, Dash, Willa and Maeve. Leo is also the grandson of Julie and Jeff Foster.

In addition, we welcome the arrival of Jormo Ofori Darku, born on September 8. Jormo is the son of Robert Darku and Mansa Samlafo. Big sisters Dromo and Shidaa love having a little brother.

Congratulations and God's blessings to these families!

UPCOMING INQUIRER'S CLASS

An Inquirers' Class will be offered on Saturday, October 9th, from 9a-10:30a in Tab's Parlor. This class is 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. Those participating in the class will be invited to become members of Tab, but membership is optional. For more information or to register for this class, call or email Paula Daum at x104, or paula.daum@tabpres.org.

ARE YOU COMING TO THE FISH FRY?

Tab is hosting a congregational fish fry on October 17 at 11a! Join the fun and make a reservation for your fish dinner by October 10. This is a catered event and we want everyone to come, so please be sure to let us know how many fish dinners we can save for you! Don't fret the Colts won't play until 1p that day! You can call the Front Office or email frontdesk@tabpres.org to make your reservation.

TRUNK OR TREAT

This year's Trunk or Treat is on Friday, October 29, from 6p-7:30p in the Tab parking lot. Due to the surge in Covid cases of the Delta variant, we will again be doing a drive-thru Trunk or Treat for the safety of all participants. We'll still give out candy at each "trunk," and we're planning to have a drive-up photo booth and a food truck to provide tasty refreshments. VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED to give out candy at their cars. Costumes are welcomed but not required. We'll provide masks, hand sanitizer, and those groovy long tubes we used last year to slide candy into the car windows of the children for a reduced-contact experience. If you're available to volunteer and/or willing to donate candy for distribution, please sign up in McKee Hallway or contact Jennifer Wirt.

RECYCLE FORCE ELECTRONICS DROP

The North Downtown Indianapolis Sertoma Club is again sponsoring a Recycle Force event on Saturday, October 30,

from 9a-2p on the east side of the parking lot at Tabernacle Presbyterian Church. Accepted are any and all electronic items from cell phones, lap tops, stereo sets to wide screen tv sets. Other items accepted are aluminum, steel and iron objects. If it has a plug, battery, and is heavy, bring it in. All proceeds go to providing jobs and housing for released inmates. If you have any questions call or email Don Heitman at (317) 253-2925 or heitmand@aol.com.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

In accordance with the By-laws, a Meeting of the Congregation is hereby called for Sunday, October 31, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary for the purposes of reviewing the proposed 2022 Operating Budget, electing church officers, electing the 2022 Nominating Committee, discussing the Transitional Associate Pastor position and any other business that may be properly discussed. All members are encouraged to attend.

Rev. John Gable, Moderator
Sharon Marshall, Clerk of Session

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Children's Ministries is again handing out boxes to be filled with toys and other small items which will be given to children overseas as part of a larger mission to share the Gospel with children who may not yet know Jesus. If you or your family would like to participate, boxes and instructions for packing will be available beginning October 3 in the Front Office and in Lower Level B. Contact: jennifer.wirt@tabpres.org

FRESH STOP

If you haven't tried a Fresh Stop share yet, it's time!! Our next pickups are Saturday, October 9 & 23 from 10a-11a. Fresh Stops occur twice a month from now until November 20th and are a fun way to purchase local, seasonal, farm fresh produce grown without chemicals. The ordering deadline is midnight on the Monday before delivery. With Tab's Fresh Stop you are able to either help those less fortunate than you by purchasing a \$25 share, or, if you qualify, to benefit yourself by purchasing a \$12 share, or if you have a SNAP card, a \$6 share. Go to freshstop.org/tab to find out if you qualify. For more information, there are brochures at the Front Office, or you can contact Sally John at sallybjohn@gmail.com.

CALLING ALL COOKS & THOSE WHO LOVE GOOD FOOD!

We are collecting your soup recipes this month for the Centennial Cookbook! Send those to jakukolla@icloud.com or drop them at the Front Office.

Save-the-Date for



November 13th 8:30a–2:30p

Location: Just minutes south of Tab on Ruckle Street

Looking for some “Pandemic Relief?” Habitat has just what we all could use more of...fresh air, lots of fun, new & closer relationships, building a stronger community...Hmmm?

Tab has an upcoming opportunity to partner with an amazing Habitat Homeowner Recipient, Shennea Dixon. Shennea is a very capable young woman who has completed her business degree, applied it with her entrepreneur spirit to start her own company and has overcome many health challenges that still cause hurdles with everyday living. She currently lives in the garage of her mother’s home with her service dog. As a person of faith, grateful for all she has, she looks forward to independent living. Shennea shares, “I want the security of knowing that no matter what obstacles my health or life may bring, I know I have a place of my own that I can take refuge and always call home.”

Registration is quick and easy, just follow this URL:

<http://vhub.at/tabernaclepresbyterian>

Following your registration, the exact address is noted in your confirmation email and everything you need to know. All materials, tools, PPE and lunch are provided.

Please contact Mary Dougherty with any questions you may have at 317-696-0385.

Come! Be inspired!
Spread some paint!
Spread some joy!

Meet the Homeowner:

Shennea Dixon

Shennea has used her health challenges as a catalyst to a greater life. After completing a business degree from IU, she started a non-medical home care company. She currently lives in the garage of her childhood home with her service dog.

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OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY

The Tab Church family extends our deepest sympathy to many who have lost loved ones this month. Please pray for the family of Jim Stokes who passed away September 8, 2021. Jeannine is a life-long member of Tab and Jim united with our church family in 1960.

Our sympathy to the Moore family in the passing of Emery Moore, father of Tim (Cindy) Moore. Emery died at his home in Athens, Georgia, September 1, 2021. He was 91 years old and the grandfather of Chris Moore, Molly Moore and Maggie Sharma.

In addition, our sympathy is extended to the family of Margaret "Peggy" York who passed away on July 3, 2021 in Delray Beach, Florida. Peggy joined Tab in 1945 and maintained her membership even after her move to Florida.

Please keep Molly and Bloor Redding in your thoughts in the death of Molly's sister, Margaret Kuehrmann, on September 14, in Franklin, Indiana.

Sympathies to Pat Ball and her family in the death of her grandson Brian Laesch on September 11, 2021. Brian lived in Chicago, was 41 and suffered from ALS. He is the son of Kathryn Ball Laesch and brother of Jordan and Kelsey.

And to Tim and Wrenne Taylor in the accidental drowning death of Tim's younger brother, Andy, on September 17. Andy was 55 years old and lived with his wife and two young children in Arlington Heights, IL.

Please keep these families in your thoughts and prayers.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Income:

YTD budgeted income:	\$1,392,249
YTD actual income:	\$1,444,825
Actual exceeds budgeted by:	\$52,576

Expenses:

YTD budgeted expenses:	\$1,553,748
YTD actual expenses	\$1,401,170
Under budget by:	\$152,579

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

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

OCTOBER

- 3 Jon & Mary Dougherty 45 years
Steve & Ann Reynolds 40 years
- 4 Ben & Lisa Hughes 36 years
- 6 Bob & Kathy Brown-Mayes 37 years
Clyde & Rebecca Townsend 20 years





HAPPY ANNIVERSARY! *(continued)*

OCTOBER

- 7 Mark & Teresa Lubbers 43 years
Stuart & Katelyn Luzader 4 years
- 8 Dave & Susan Liebel 5 years
Patrick & Bethany Chatelain 5 years
- 10 Ben & Kelly Donaldson 6 years
- 11 Chris & Katie Moore 13 years
- 13 Doug & Angela Shaw 2 years
- 15 Jeff & Sally Sumpter 45 years
Bill & Martha Sue Batt 55 years
Ryan & Ruth Miller 5 years
- 16 Matthew Hawkins & Stephanie Sherrard 11 years
- 18 Diego Urfalian & Heidi Hoopingarner 13 years
- 21 Bill & Helen McGuire 41 years
- 24 Clayton & Katy Cummings 13 years
- 25 Bob & Peg Padgett 35 years
- 27 Daniel & Amy Rexroth 20 years
Don & Elly Douglass 9 years
- 30 Einar & Lena Stefansson 37 years

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

OCTOBER

- | | |
|---|---|
| 1 Colin McHugh
Dick Luchtman
Christen Prible
Paula Daum
Angela Shaw | 15 Scarlett Grove |
| 3 Morgan Barnett
Mark John
Lucas Urfalian | 16 Adam Packer
Marilyn Downey
Maeve Moudy
Willa Moudy
Mitch Roob
Mallery Luzader |
| 4 Ben Van Winkle
Jeffrey Ridenour
Chris Fedor | 17 Carolee Berry
Barbara Deck |
| 5 Paula Means
Destiny King | 18 Steve Weyreter |
| 6 Kate Ase | 20 Gilbert Orban
Grayson Parsons |
| 7 Charles Warren
Diane Tolsma
Kelli Cobb | 21 Marion Hoopingarner |
| 8 Ann Mohr | 22 Mary Allen |
| 10 Elijah Cummins
Lenny Reel | 23 Holly Gamage
Justin Wade |
| 11 Anne Reynolds | 25 Liza Howe
Virgil Baldwin
Sarah Pike |
| 12 Tanya Erickson
Peyton Hart
Peg Stodtbeck | 26 Jonathan Burris |
| 13 Greg Miller
Carter Booker
Sally John
Nancy Hesler | 27 Al Mayo
Janie Parr
Kathy Albrektson
Colin Brannon |
| 14 Eliot Thomas
James Fowles
Nick Schroeder
Bruce McGeath | 28 Thomas Meils
Ben Donaldson
Eric Foote
Eric Guion
Brook Johnson |
| | 29 Joel Padgett |
| | 30 Cathy Schubert |
| | 31 Ben Hughes |

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Trunk or Treat

October 29 | 6p-7:30p

Drive-Thru with
Social Distancing

