### TABERNACLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

# TOWERCHIMES



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### **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**

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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**

### Summer Plans?

Dear Friends,

As I write this reflection I am preparing to leave for Israel with 27 Tab members and friends. As you happen to think of us we will greatly appreciate your prayers.

Several months ago, I was asked, "Why do you lead these trips and what do you hope people will gain from them?" Good questions which deserve a thoughtful answer.

Why do I lead them? The short answer is, I believe people's faith is enriched when they visit places which they have only read about in the Bible. As a good friend once told me, "Every story has a geography. The better you understand the geography, the better you'll understand the story." Modern day Israel, you will recall, is the site of both Old Testament and New Testament history. The land of Jesus is also the land of the patriarchs and prophets and kings and all of the other Old Testament characters whose stories we know. It is my joy and privilege to watch people's eyes and hearts open when they start connecting the dots of the stories of our faith with people and places.

I will also admit that I like to lead these trips because my faith is enriched as well as I visit the lands where our faith was birthed and formed. My faith is encouraged when I instruct and teach, as well as when I listen to others tell what happened in the various places we visit.

I also am reminded that the stories of our faith from long ago and far away continue to shape and inform the stories of our faith here and now.

In I Peter 2 we read, "Come to Him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and like living stones, let yourselves be built in to a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ."

Admittedly, we will see a lot of rocks during our travels, on the ground, stacked in piles, built in to buildings. At significant points in Biblical history the people were given the instruction to build a pile of rocks as a reminder that God had done something significant in that place. With that in mind, Peter tells us, "You are living stones, a spiritual house, a holy priesthood making sacrifices acceptable to God." You and I are the living reminders that God has done something significant for us in Jesus Christ, namely secured the way of our salvation and shown us the way to live lives which are holy and pleasing to God.

When we see a pile of rocks in Israel we will be reminded that God did something significant in that place. When you look at the pile of rocks at the corner of 34th and Central called Tabl hope that you too will be reminded that God has done, and continues to do, something significant in this place.

Please pray for us as we will pray for you.

Rev. L. John Gable



### Preaching Schedule

- 3 "Gleanings 40 years" Rev. L. John Gable
- THE SERMON ON THE MOUNT SERIES BEGINS Psalm 1; Matthew 5:1–12
   "O the Bliss of Being Destitute" Rev. L. John Gable
- 17 Psalm 37:1–11; Matthew 5:4–5"O the Joy of Being Down and Out" Rev. L. John Gable

- 24 Matthew 5:6 & 9 "Hunger/Thirst/Peacemakers" Rev. Terri Thorn
- 31 Matthew 5:7–8 "Merciful and Pure in Heart" Rev. Terri Thorn

### Event Schedule

SPECIAL			WEE	<b>KLY</b>		MONTHLY		
4	ALL DAY	Office closed for	MWF	11:00a	Tab's Open Door	1st TUE	7:00p	Spiritual Growth & Dev.
		Independence Day holiday						
			TUE	9:00a	Construction Meeting	1st WED	5:30p	Missions Comm.
9	9:00a	Fresh Stop Produce		6:30p	Prayer Group			
	10:00p	Purls of Wisdom				1st MON	12:00p	HR Comm.
			WED	9:30a	Pastors' Bible Study			
10	6:00p	TabJams		6:00p	Children's Musical	2nd MON	5:30p	Facilities Comm.
					Rehearsal		6:00p	Black History Article Team
23	9:00a	Fresh Stop Produce						
	10:00a	Purls of Wisdom	SAT	8:00a	Men's Bible Study	2nd TUE	5:00p	Budget & Finance Comm.
							7:00p	Children's Ministries Comm.
24	2:00p	Back to School Giveaway	SUN	8:00a	Worship		7:15p	Worship, Music, Arts Comm.
				10:00a	Worship			
25	ALL DAY	Pre-Teen Day Trip				3rd TUE	7:00p	Session Mtg.
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30	9:00a	Children's Muscial Rehearsal				<sup>4th</sup> TUE	5:00p	Media Committee
							5:30p	Congregational Life Mtg.
							7:00p	Deacons' Meeting

# **New Members**

### Welcome!

On June 5, 2022, we welcomed the following new members to our Tab Church family. Their pictures are on display in McKee Hallway. Please seek out these new members and do your part to welcome them to the fellowship of Tab!



MARTY SULLIVAN

Marty is the daughter of Tab members Barbara and Fred Sullivan. She works as a server at Alibis. She has a twin sister and a brother, and she has a 26-year-old beloved African Grey parrot named Sadie Maxine. She's a huge Indy Racing fan.



JULIE SIMMONS

Julie is a registered nurse at the Indiana Hand to Shoulder Surgery Center. She has two grown daughters who live in the Louisville area. She loves travelling – especially to national parks. A nature lover, she enjoys reading, hiking and gardening.



MARTIN AND SUSAN LAMMERS

Martin is an Indianapolis native, and Sue grew up in Minnesota. They met on a blind date and have been married for 36 years. They lived for many years in the Seattle area where Sue served as an elder with University Presbyterian Church alongside Pastor Earl Palmer. Martin works for Microsoft and an avid car and Indy Car enthusiast. Sue enjoys entertaining, traveling, cycling and boating. They have two grown children, Stephanie and Martin IV. Martin and Sue are looking forward to engaging in Tab's community outreach ministries and giving back to the community.



JEFF AND STEPHANIE MENZEL Stephanie and Jeff were married in Tab's Sanctuary in March of 2022 and have been looking forward to joining Tab. Stephanie is originally from the Philippines, and she works as a travel nurse for Cynet Health. Jeff is a native Hoosier and works as an IT Systems Administrator for Premier Power Maintenance.



JOHN AND KAREN MURRELL Karen grew up as a member of Tab, as her grandmother was Betty Farris, former head of Children's Ministries. Karen's parents were married at Tab, and she and John were married at Tab by Dr. Hunter. John is a retired pharmacist. They have two grown children. Kathleen and her husband live in Switzerland, and Brad and his wife live in Utah. John and Karen enjoy travel, hiking and have been serving as tutors in Tab Tutoring.

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# **Member Spotlight**

### Meet Carolyn Queisser

by Paula Daum

It is always fun to talk with long-time Tab members who grew up living close to Tab. Carolyn Queisser is just one of those members.

Carolyn was born in Indianapolis and grew up near 40th and Guilford. She grew up attending Tab with her parents and sister and joined the church through confirmation at the age of eleven. She recalls her father's work as a faithful deacon in the church.

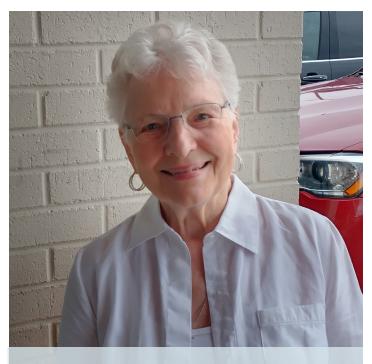
A graduate of Shortridge High School, Carolyn also graduated from DePauw University with a major in home economics and a minor in economics. She met her first husband, Jim Liebel, through friends, and they were married in Tab's Sanctuary on the first weekend after she graduated from DePauw. Dr. Roy Ewing Vale performed the ceremony as his last wedding at Tab.

During first two years of their marriage, Carolyn and Jim moved to Florida, Texas and then back to Indiana during Jim's service in the U.S. Army. They then settled in Indianapolis and welcomed their three children, Tom, David and Ann. At the age of fifty-five, Jim suffered a debilitating stroke. Carolyn actively cared for him for the next 6 years until he passed away.

In early 2007, Carolyn reconnected with an old friend, David Queisser, following the death of his wife. The renewed friendship was a blessing, and she and Dave married late that year in Tab's McKee Chapel. Sadly, they only were able to share a brief time together. Dave passed away in September of 2011 after a brief battle with cancer.

Carolyn speaks with deep gratitude for her time with Dave. In addition to her own three children, she is close to Dave's three children who she calls her "bonus children." Sadly, one "bonus daughter" passed away following Dave's death. Carolyn is deeply proud of her family and is a loving grandmother to her eleven grandchildren. Her son David is a former Missions Director at Tab.

Carolyn has been a sewer and a quilter for most of her life. She worked for many years at a quilt shop in the Nora area retiring just a few years ago. Her son David works as the Director of Religion and Volunteer Services for the Indiana Department of Corrections. Several years ago, Carolyn donated a large supply of quilting materials to the department to help facilitate a quilting class at the Wabash Valley Correctional Facility. She recalls fondly attending the graduation ceremony for this class where the graduates presented her with a quilt show and a quilt made especially for her.



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More than anything these days, Carolyn loves the fellowship at Tab. She can be found nearly every Sunday in the Parlor enjoying coffee and visiting with old and new friends.

## New Members!

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### **ELENA BYA\***

Elena is a native of Uzbekistan. She studied dentistry there and was a prosthodontics resident for two years in Moscow, Russia. In 2010, Lena moved to Bloomington, Indiana. She is married to Tab member, Dr. Sergio Fernandez. Elena is a fourth year resident at the IU School of Dentistry, and she is looking forward to practicing dentistry again by the summer of 2023. She and Sergio have three beloved dogs.

#### WARREN AND BARBARA CAIN\*

Warren and Barbara reside at Hoosier Village and have been worshipping with Tab online for several years. Warren retired as an assistant vice president from Ohio Bell/AT& T/Ameritech. Barbara is retired from the Hilton Head International Piano Company and as a private piano teacher. Warren enjoys golfing and gathering with friends. Barbara enjoys reading and music. They have two grown children who are twins, Jon and Joni.

\*not pictured

# **Read Through the Bible**

### July

1 Mark 11:1—14	l Kings 1	Hosea 4:1–5:4	17	l Corinthians 5	l Kings 18	Amos 2:1–3:2
2 Mark 11:15–33	l Kings 2	Hosea 5:5–15	18	l Corinthians 6	l Kings 19	Amos 3:3–4:3
3 Mark 12:1–27	l Kings 3	Hosea 6:1–7:2	19	l Corinthians 7:1–24	l Kings 20	Amos 4:4–13
4 Mark 12:28–44	l Kings 4–5	Hosea 7:3–16	20	I Corinthians 7:25–40	l Kings 21	Amos 5
5 Mark 13:1–13	l Kings 6	Hosea 8	21	I Corinthians 8	l Kings 22	Amos 6
6 Mark 13:14–37	l Kings 7	Hosea 9:1–16	22	I Corinthians 9	ll Kings 1–2	Amos7
7 Mark 14:1–31	l Kings 8	Hosea 9:17–10:15	23	I Corinthians 10	II Kings 3	Amos 8
8 Mark 14:32–72	l Kings 9	Hosea 11:1–11	24	I Corinthians 11:1–16	ll Kings 4	Amos 9
9 Mark 15:1–20	l Kings 10	Hosea 11:12–12:14	25	I Corinthians 11:17–34	ll Kings 5	Obadiah 1
10 Mark 15:21–47	l Kings 11	Hosea 13	26	I Corinthians 12	II Kings 6:1–7:2	Jonah 1
11 Mark 16	l Kings 12:1–31	Hosea 14	27	I Corinthians 13	ll Kings 7:3–20	Jonah 2
12 I Corinthians 1:1–17	l Kings 12:32–13:34	Joel 1	28	l Corinthians 14:1–25	ll Kings 8	Jonah 3
13 I Corinthians 1:18–31	l Kings 14	Joel 2:1–11	29	I Corinthians 14:26–40	ll Kings 9	Jonah 4
14 I Corinthians 2	l Kings 15:1–32	Joel 2:12–32	30	l Corinthians 15:1–34	ll Kings 10	Micah 1
15 I Corinthians 3	l Kings 15:33–16:34	Joel 3	31	I Corinthians 15:35–58	ll Kings 11	Micah 2
16 I Corinthians 4	l Kings 17	Amos 1				

# Tab News

### Announcements & Events

### SPIRITUAL GROWTH & DEVELOPMENT

A new class called "Soul Feast" begins on Sunday, July 10, in the Parlor. The goal of the class is to develop greater intimacy and freedom in our relationship with God through various spiritual practices which have come down to us through centuries of Christian history. Some of these practices include spiritual reading, prayer, common worship, fasting, self-examination and confession, spiritual direction, hospitality and developing a rule of life. The eight week series will be based on the book, "Soul Feast," by Marjorie Thompson. The book is on the expensive side so the Spiritual Growth Committee will not be purchasing in bulk. Feel free to purchase it on your own if you wish, but reading the book itself will not be necessary for participation in the class. Quote from the author: "The key [to spiritual growth] is to give God time and space to rearrange our interior furniture - setting our disordered priorities and putting love of God and neighbor center stage." Facilitators: Sally John and Connie Hintz

### MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

 $\cdot$  July 19-"Just for Moms" gathering-All Children's Ministries ladies are invited to a fellowship evening featuring refreshments, a craft perfect for moms and a surprise activity. This event will take place from 7p–8:30p in Lower Level B.

• July 25-Preteen summer trip to Chicago. Tab's 5th and 6th graders are invited to join us on a fun day trip which will feature a factory tour of the Albanese Candy Factory, lunch at Culvers, a boat tour of the Chicago River and lakeshore, a visit to Lincoln Park Zoo as time permits, and dinner at the infamous Ed Debevics. Cost is \$20 for each student and confidential scholarships are available. If you have questions or would like to request a scholarship, please contact Jennifer Wirt at 317-923-5458 x140 or jennifer.wirt@tabpres.org.

• Summer Musical performance-This year's Summer Musical, "Write Your Story," will take place August 21 immediately following the 10a worship service. At the completion of the performance, the audience is invited to the Dining Room for fellowship and ice cream floats.

• Bible Presentation Sunday-As is our tradition, Children's Ministries will present KidsQuest Bibles to our incoming 3rd graders and leather-bound Student Bibles to our 7th graders as they move up to the Youth Ministry. This will take place during the 10a worship service on August 28.



# A Look Back

## Building Upon Growth

by Bruce McDonald



Following Dr. Ambrose Dunkel's resignation from the Tab pulpit, Dr. Roy Ewing Vale was called. On March 1, 1940, Dr. Vale started his tenure at Tab and promptly culled the rolls of 678 members who had "no involvement," dropping Tab's membership to 2,326, before bringing in 872 new members in his first five years. Dr. Vale was "a powerful preacher, a great reader, a student of history – both ancient and modern, and a lover of science, with a strong faith in things spiritual and eternal, the love of God and the Cross of Christ." Tab thrived under Dr. Vale with growth in all aspects of church life, and the church was shifting into a more modern model. He developed a larger staff to meet congregational needs; often had two assistant pastors; published the "Carillon," the precursor of the "Chimes;" and introduced copies of the new monthly devotional booklet "The Upper Room."

The Young Settlers class - who were still using that moniker 40-plus years later, as they remained "young" at heart pushed for the establishment of a nursery within the building. Imagine, all those years with hundreds of babies born each year and no nursery facilities. In spite of some objections from the Junior Department, the nursery was built. Dr. Vale began giving children's sermons each Sunday, before heading off to Junior Church, as "he wanted the boys and girls to love the church and the worship in the Sanctuary." In April 1944, Dr. Vale was elected as moderator of the 156th General Assembly, "the highest honor that can come to a minister in the Presbyterian church," serving ably for a full year, and travelling to visit Presbyterian congregations across the country.

But these were challenging times, as well. In December 1941, on the heels of Pearl Harbor, 367 Tab members joined the military service. Eventually, more than 400 members served, including 12 who made the ultimate sacrifice. Even Tab's young assistant pastor, Stuart Hartfelter, resigned to become an Army chaplain and served in the Pacific for four years before returning to Tab in 1946.

After years of patiently whittling away at the church mortgage, in early 1944, the balance stood at \$161,790. Several men in the congregation lead a 30-day campaign to pay down the mortgage, once and for all. Pledges were made in cash and war bonds – not to mention boiled peanuts and fried doughnuts - and by May the campaign was declared a success. Never one to rest, Dr. Vale promptly called for a new campaign to install stained-glass windows throughout the sanctuary, and 18 months later, he authorized the appointment of a committee to consider the establishment of an endowment fund.

Once the final pledges were fulfilled, the mortgage was ceremoniously burned on Thanksgiving Day, November 25, 1948 (photo), bringing to a close the fulfillment of the vision of a new church campus that had begun 30 years before when Dr. Dunkel was called. On the occasion of his departure from Tab in 1939, Dr. Dunkel aptly captured the role of the church building in the life of the church. He said "I have seen many beautiful churches built. Indianapolis has some of the finest churches in the state. But beautiful churches do not make Christians. They only give opportunity for service."

#### **FINANCIAL REPORT**

Income:	
YTD budgeted income:	\$1,041,667
YTD actual income:	\$1,116,709
Actual exceeds budgeted by:	\$75,042

#### Expenses:

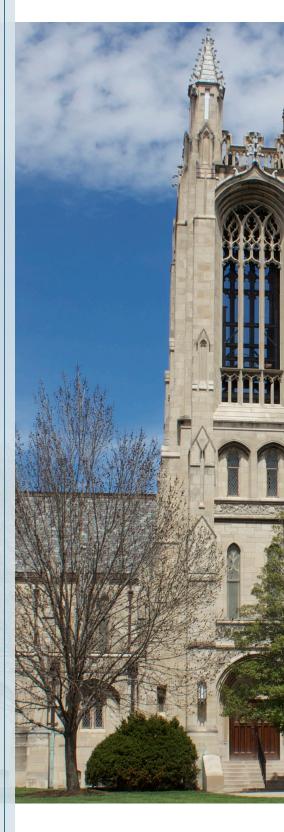
YTD budgeted expenses:	\$991,244
YTD actual expenses	\$959,861
Under budget by:	\$31,383

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

### HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

#### JULY

- 3 Jeff & Leah Crane 18 years
- 4 Carter & Suzie Booker 30 years
- 6 Bill & Nancy Gordon 26 years Scott & Kim Ledger 37 years
- 7 Drew & Becca Childs 15 years
- 8 Kevin & Janet Burris 33 years John & Jen Thomas 27 years Terry & Jami Turman 16 years
- 9 Scott & Pat Carlson 45 years
- 10 James & Kathy Fowles 18 years
- 11 Rich & Kathy Gunn 52 years
- 16 Charlton & Michelle Browning 28 years John & Nancy Peterson 67 years Brian & Cindy Verbarg 39 years
- **18** Gene & Carolee Berry *41 years* Christopher & Christy Whaley *24 years*
- 21 Michael & Kennedy Jefferies 4 years
- 22 Dan & Betsy Brunette 44 years
- Don & Sara Heitman 44 years
  23 Mark & Beth Ahearn 45 years
- Tim & Michelle Schumm 11 years
- 24 Frank & Sally Otte 53 years
- 25 David Moudy & Amanda Foster-Moudy 7 years Steve & Julie Scott 35 years
- 26 Mark & Celia Middleton 36 years
- 28 John & Kristin Gable 43 years
- 29 Jacob & Kristine Crouch 22 years Rick & Patty Reel 45 years





### HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

#### JULY

- 1 Julie Scott Karen Jefferies
- 2 Pat Cracraft Angela Braly Karen Murrell Katie McHugh Keva Rop
- 3 Beth Ahearn Dromo Darku Evelyn Jefferies
- 4 Beth Buchanan Emily Featherstone5 Brian Verbarg
- Teresa LubbersPaula Luzader
- Melissa Grove
- 7 Alan McKenzie
- 11 Gale Wilkerson
- 12 Jeff Foster Pat Carlson
- 13 Charlie Blum Will Blum Grant Gilroy Matt Hand Rainey Brown
- 14 Leah Crane Gordon Dunne Bill McGuire
- 15 William Reel Claire McClelland Antonio Martin
- 16 Ellen Tovsky Mike White Kevin Burris
- 17 Katie Orr Cara Barnett
- **19** John Murrell

- 20 John Peterson Curtis Steger
- 21 Simeon Noel Trip Newell Wrenne Taylor Mary Ann Miller
- 22 Grant Sterchi Amy Martin
- 23 Rich Scales Sally Sumpter Jenni Mohr
- 24 Isaac Howe Liana Rodriguez-Cerena
- 25 David Cantwell Elizabeth Hamilton
- Joni Heugel 26 Dan Gushee Debby Pardue Pat Ball Bruce McDonald Doug Shaw
- 28 Myron McKee Sebastian Barbosa
- 29 David Pike Theo Sears Jenny Buchanan-Schwanke
- Jennifer Challis 30 Woody Ohrn Chad Lynn Jackson Flanagan
- Joseph Kukolla 31 Sandra Neely Gene Berry

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