



TAB

Tabernacle Presbyterian Church
INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 24, 2022
Christmas Eve Family Service

CHRISTMAS EVE FAMILY SERVICE

5 o'clock Worship

We hope you will sense our vision for Greater Faith, Deeper Relationships, and Stronger Community as you worship with us.

PRELUDE

“Sinfonia” (from “Christmas Cantata”) —*J. S. Bach*

“Silent Night” —*Samuel Barber*

“Bring a Torch, Jeannette, Isabella” —*Christopher Uehlein*

✝ CALL TO WORSHIP | Rev. L. John Gable

Leader: He came as a baby in a manger.

People: O come, let us adore Him.

Leader: He came in a lowly stable.

People: O come, let us adore Him.

Leader: Shepherds brought their worship.

People: O come, let us adore Him.

Leader: Angels sang His praise.

People: O come, let us adore Him.

Leader: Wisemen brought their gifts.

People: O come, let us adore him.

Leader: So, what shall we do this night?

*Unison: O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord.
Amen.*

✝ LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

✝ OPENING CAROLS

“O Come, All Ye Faithful” —*Adeste Fideles*

O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant;

O come ye; O come ye to Bethlehem!

Come, and behold Him, born the King of angels!
O come, let us adore Him; O come, let us adore Him;
O come, let us adore Him, Christ, the Lord!

“O Little Town of Bethlehem” —*St. Louis*

O little town of Bethlehem, how still we see thee lie!
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep the silent stars go by.
Yet in thy dark streets shineth the everlasting light;
The hopes and fears of all the years are met in thee tonight.

“What Child Is This?” —*Greensleves*

What child is this, who, laid to rest,
on Mary’s lap is sleeping?
Whom angels greet with anthems sweet
while shepherds watch are keeping?
This, this is Christ the King,
whom shepherds guard and angels sing;
Haste, haste to bring Him laud,
the babe, the son of Mary!

GATHERING PRAYER | *Rev. Terri Thorn*

Holy God, as You came to live among Your people long ago, become real to us anew this night as we gather to remember and celebrate the birth of our Lord. Establish Your Kingdom within us and use us to announce this Good News to all the earth. Open our eyes that we may see Your face. With the shepherds and the Wisemen bring us to our knees before the manger that we may worship You. With faithful believers through the ages send us on our way to do the work of Your Kingdom. All this we pray in the precious name of Jesus, the Child of Bethlehem, our Savior and our Lord. *Amen.*

SPECIAL MUSIC

Stella Fowles, Dromo Darku, Claire McClelland and Vivian Prible

“Jamaican Noel” —*Kirby Shaw*

VIDEO PRESENTATION | *Sekyi Asare, Liam Barnett, Morgan Barnett, Jake Boits, Luke Boits, Dromo Darku, Frantz Lynn,*

*Vivian Prible, Tommy Summers, Lucas Urfalian, Mateo Urfalian,
Austin Woller*

The Christmas Story, Luke 2

PRESCHOOL CHOIR

“Away in a Manger” —*Mueller*

Preschool Children Only

Away in a manger,
no crib for His bed,
The little Lord Jesus
laid down His sweet head.
The stars in the bright sky
looked down where He lay,
The little Lord Jesus
asleep on the hay.

Congregational Singing (please remain seated and join in with children)

The cattle are lowing;
the poor baby wakes,
But little Lord Jesus,
no crying He makes.
I love Thee, Lord Jesus;
look down from the sky,
And stay by my side
until morning is nigh.

Be near me, Lord Jesus;
I ask Thee to stay
Close by me forever
and love me, I pray.
Bless all the dear children
in Thy tender care,
And fit us for heaven
to live with Thee there.

Tell Me That Story Again

*“There were shepherds living in the fields...
then an angel of the Lord stood among us!”*

SENDING OF CHRIST’S LIGHT TO THE WORLD

*During the singing of “Silent Night” the ushers will receive the light of the Christ Candle from the pastor and pass it to those sitting nearest the center aisle. **Please tip the unlit candle to the lit candle** as the light is passed down your row. Please assist your children as they participate in this very special tradition of Tabernacle Church.*

✝ CAROL

“Silent Night” —*Stille Nacht*

Silent night! Holy night!
All is calm, all is bright,
‘Round yon virgin mother and Child,
Holy infant so tender and mild,
Sleep in heavenly peace,
sleep in heavenly peace.

*Silent night! Holy night!
Shepherds quake at the sight,
Glories stream from heaven afar,
Heavenly hosts sing Alleluia;
Christ the Savior is born,
Christ the Savior is born.*

Silent night! Holy night!
Son of God, love’s pure light,
Radiant beams from Thy holy face,
With the dawn of redeeming grace,
Jesus, Lord, at thy birth,
Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth.

*Silent night, holy night!
Wondrous star, lend thy light;*

*With the angels let us sing
"Alleluia" to our King;
Christ the Savior is born;
Christ the Savior is born.*

BENEDICTION

✠ CLOSING CAROL

"Joy to the World" —Antioch

Joy to the world! The Lord is come;
let earth receive her King;
Let every heart, prepare Him room,
and heaven and nature sing,
and heaven and nature sing, and heaven,
and heaven and nature sing.

*Joy to the earth! The Savior reigns;
let all their songs employ;
While fields and floods,
rocks, hills, and plains
repeat the sounding joy,
repeat the sounding joy,
repeat, repeat the sounding joy.*

No more let sins and sorrows grow,
nor thorns infest the ground;
He comes to make His blessing flow
far as the curse is found,
far as the curse is found far as,
far as the curse is found.

*He rules the world with truth and grace,
and makes the nations prove
The glories of His righteousness
and wonders of His love,
and wonders of His love,
and wonders, wonders of His love.*

POSTLUDE

"Joy to the World" —Folger Zwaving

Announcements

For the week of December 25– 31, 2022



“CHRISTMAS WITH TAB,” featuring our Sanctuary Choir, airs again tomorrow at 2:00 PM on WHMB-TV 40.1. In addition, we will air a “classic” Christmas with Tab from our archives at 3:00 PM on WFYI-TV 20.1 (check your cable or satellite guide for channel numbers). Thanks to all of our sponsors who help make this outreach possible!

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED | The church office will be closed for observation of the Christmas and New Year holidays: **Monday, December 26th** and **Monday, January 2nd**. We wish you all a Merry Christmas in celebration with your families.

2023 STEWARDSHIP PLEDGE CARDS

| Thanks to all who have responded to the 2023 Stewardship Campaign. If you have not yet returned your pledge card, we encourage you to do so as soon as possible. Your pledged gifts of support assist Tab’s Session

in planning for the coming year. We thank you for your continued generosity of the ministries of Tab. If you have indicated that you would like pledge envelopes for 2023, they are on a table in McKee Hallway for pickup.

2022 YEAR-END CONTRIBUTIONS |

Friday, December 30th is the final day Tab is able to physically receive contributions in the Finance Office for credit to your 2022 giving statement. Checks dated, postmarked and sent via the US Mail on or before December 31 will be credited as 2022 giving, even if received in 2023. Online giving must have a December 31 processing date for credit in 2022. All of the above is in accordance with IRS rules and regulations. Those interested in donating securities should contact Kristine at x111 in the Finance Office well in advance of year end.

We hope you will join us again!

DECEMBER 25

10:00a | Christmas Day Worship

****NO EDUCATION HOUR****

Early childcare available in the Preschool Room

JANUARY 1

10:00a | New Year's Day Worship

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