

Tabernacle Presbyterian Church INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA

Sunday, March 12, 2023 | 3rd Sunday in Lent

Welcome

May you truly sense God's Spirit at work in this place and in your life.

Greetings to everyone! We extend a warm welcome to those joining us in-person or for our livestream worship service this morning. As we celebrate together, we hope you will sense God's presence as we gather.

If you are a guest this morning, please fill out one of the Connection Cards located in the pew racks so that we can get to know each other better. Simply hand your completed card to an usher or place it in the offering box. If you need assistance at any time, please feel free to ask someone seated next to you or one of the ushers.

Children are welcome to sit with their families during worship or attend Junior Church in Lower Level B following the Children's Sermon. Nurseries are available for infants along with programming for preschoolers.

Discipleship Classes

Current Discipleship Opportunities

SPIRITUAL GROWTH & DEVELOPMENT | SUNDAYS 9a

LENT IN PLAIN SIGHT | Small groups will meet each Sunday in various locations throughout the church, or you may prefer a ZOOM meeting or group that meets another day of the week until April 9. Questions? Email Linda McCabe at Ikmccabe@outlook.com

PARISHIONERS WITHOUT PARTNERS COVENANT GROUP I

For women. This group will focus on support, encouragement and fellowship and is open to all single, widowed or divorced Tab women, regardless of age. The group meets at Janie Parr's home. *Questions?* Email Janie at mparr@iupui.edu.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY | MONDAYS 6p-7:30p / ZOOM

SOUL CARE | Spring 2023 (March 6-April 10) 6-7:30p. Questions? Email Ruth Miller for details: mrs.ruth.hmiller@gmail.com.

WOMEN ALIVE | TUESDAYS 10a-11:30a / PARLOR

SABBATH AS RESISTANCE, SAYING NO TO THE CULTURE OF NOW This study is based on the book by Walter Brueggemann; buy one and join us! *Questions*? Contact Sally John at sallybjohn@gmail.com.

PASTORS' BIBLE STUDY | WEDNESDAYS 9:30a-10:30a / PARLOR

Our Pastors lead a Bible study covering the Scriptures for the upcoming Sunday worship.

MOMS OF TAB | 3RD WEDNESDAY MONTHLY 6:30p-7:30p / YOUTH ROOM Childcare is available.

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY | SATURDAYS 8a-9a / PARLOR

Currently studying the gospel of Matthew. *Questions?* Contact dlconrads@yahoo.com.

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.

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COVER ART CREDIT:

Worship Through the Fire by Wendy Smith

8 o'clock Worship

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

PRELUDE

"Two settings on 'When I Survey the Wondrous Cross'"

Robert Buckley Farlee Wayne L. Wold

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

◆ PASSING OF THE PEACE

"In the Cross of Christ I Glory" - Rathbun

In the cross of Christ I glory, towering o'er the wrecks of time; All the light of sacred story gathers round its head sublime.

CALL TO WORSHIP | Psalm 98:1-3 | Rev. L. John Gable

Leader: Sing a new song to the Lord, who has worked wonders, whose right hand

and holy arm have brought salvation.

People: The Lord has made known His salvation. He has shown justice to the

nations and has remembered truth and love for the house of Israel.

Leader: All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

People: Shout to the Lord, all the earth. Sing with joy.

UNISON: In gratitude and praise, we come to worship God.

Today's Worship Participants

Rev. L. John Gable *Senior Pastor*

Rev. Terri ThornAssociate Pastor/Missions

Matt Kauffman
Organist

Leah Crane Staci McCrackin Valerie Phelps Vocalists

Rob Dixon *Sax*

Steve Dokken

Bass

Kenny Phelps
Percussion

Piano Piano

♣ HYMN #611

"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" - Hymn to Joy

PRAYER OF CONFESSION | Rev. Terri Thorn

Gracious God, in every age You have chosen men and women, the old and the young, to spread Your Good News and light Your light in the darkened places of our world. We have been recipients of Your goodness and love, but we confess that we have been hesitant to show Your love and share Your light with others. We have kept Your Good News to ourselves by our selfish hearts and feeble faith. We pass by neighbors in distress and are indifferent to those in need. We are quick to blame and slow to forgive. We are better at practicing religion than living in faith. Forgive us, Lord, that we may better serve You and the coming of Your Kingdom. This we pray together and in the silence of our hearts in the name of Jesus Christ. Lord, hear our prayer.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON | Acts 1:8

Leader: Jesus said, "When the Holy Spirit has come upon you, you will be My witnesses in Jerusalem, in all of Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of

the earth." Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel.

UNISON: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

† GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be; World without end. Amen, Amen.

Please stand if able.

THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God the Father Almighty,

Maker of heaven and earth:

And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord,

Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,

Born of the Virgin Mary,

Suffered under Pontius Pilate,

Was crucified, dead, and buried:

He descended into hell;

The third day He rose again from the dead;

He ascended into heaven,

And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;

From thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost;

the holy catholic church;

the communion of saints;

the forgiveness of sins;

the resurrection of the body,

and the life everlasting.

Amen.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Isaiah 49:1-6 (pew Bible page 592)

Luke 24:44-49 (pew Bible page 861)

SERMON | Rev. L. John Gable

A People With A Purpose: Witness

"You are witnesses of these things."

SILENT REFLECTION AND PRAYER

SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

1 HYMN #702

"Christ Be Beside Me" - Bunessan

- BENEDICTION
- POSTLUDE

"Wondrous King, All Glorious" - Hans Arnold Metzger

Please stand if able.

SERIVION NOTES
MISSED A SERMON?

CEDMON NOTES

Did you miss a sermon? Or do you want to hear it again? Or read it? All of the sermons our pastors have delivered are available on the Tab website under sermons. Check it out!

IF YOU LOSE THE WORSHIP STREAM ON SUNDAY

Check to make sure that your home internet is working. If it is, that means there's an interruption at Tab or between Tab and your house. If the issue is fixable at Tab, we will usually fix it within a few minutes, but that also means we have to start a new stream on YouTube.

Keep refreshing your browser until the new stream appears on our YouTube page.

Better yet, subscribe to Tab's YouTube page, tabindy. Hit the big red SUBSCRIBE button on the page, then the little notification "bell" next to the button. Set your notifications to "All" and you will be notified via email or on your phone whenever we go live with the new stream or post a new video. You can always change this setting later.

If the problem is not fixable, (e.g., power failure, interruption of Tab's internet service) we will post the service or sermon later, often later that day, but always within 48 hours.

Thank you for all of your patience and support!

10 o'clock Worship

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PRELUDE

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♦ CONGREGATIONAL SONG

"Way Maker"

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♦ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH | Christ is the Foundation of the Church (Book of Order: PCUSA)

In Christ all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through Christ God reconciles all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of the cross (Col. 1:19–20). In Christ's name, therefore, the Church is sent out to bear witness to the good news of reconciliation with God, with others, and with all creation. In Christ the Church receives its truth and appeal, its holiness and its unity.

CHILDREN'S SERMON | Rev. L. John Gable

SPECIAL MUSIC

"Free Indeed (You Said I Am)"

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven;

Hallowed be Thy Name.

Thy Kingdom come;

Thy will be done, on earth

as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread,

And forgive us our debts

as we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the Kingdom,

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Amen.

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SILENT REFLECTION AND PRAYER

- CLOSING SONG
 - "I Surrender All"
- BENEDICTION
- ♣ POSTLUDE

"Free Indeed (You Said I Am)"

Please stand if able.

Offering Information

If you would like to bring your offering to church on Sunday mornings, we have offering boxes available in both the 34th Street Narthex and Bell Tower Entrance to the Sanctuary. Extra envelopes are also available. Feel free to drop off your offering either before or after worship. Thanks for your continued support of the ministry and mission of Tab!

Get in Touch, Stay in Touch

The easiest and most effective way to receive news about our church and church family is to subscribe to our email. The office sends out a digest every Thursday, with updates as needed at other times. To subscribe, go to tabpres.org, then scroll to the bottom of the homepage and tap "Sign up for email updates.

Tab's Benevolence & Community Care Funds

Did you know that Tab has two distinct funds set up to support individuals and families during difficult times? Tab's Deacon Benevolence and Community Care Funds allow us as a church family to come alongside people with immediate, significant needs inside and outside the church. Please reach out to the church if you or someone you know is in need.

If you are a member or friend of Tab in need, please contact Kristine Green at kristine.green@tabpres.org for more information and confidential application procedures.

If you know of one of our neighbors in need, let them know they can call the Community Care line at 317-805-1281 for an appointment with Terri Thorn.



A-MAIZING LUNCH FOR KENYA

Mark your calendars for 2023's Amaizing Lunch supporting the Umoja Partnership food security program on Sunday, March 19, at 11a following the worship service in the Dining Room. Enjoy a free lunch, Kenya style! Come to hear about how this mission outreach feeds and educates orphans and vulnerable children. Listen to some of their stories and learn what Tab support has meant to these children and their communities. Look for the sign-up sheets in McKee Hallway. Consider contributing to a prescription that helps address hunger and starvation.

EASTER FLOWERS

If you would like to help fill our Sanctuary and McKee Chapel with beautiful flowers on Easter in honor or in memory of someone, please return your order form no later than Sunday, April 2. Order forms are available in the March Chimes or at the Front Desk.

EASTER EGG HUNT FOR THE FAMILY

Saturday, April 8, 10a in Tab Park. We will decorate cookies, play a game or two and do a fun craft at the north end of Tab's parking lot. After that, we will hunt for eggs in Tab Park. This event is open to all children ages 12 and younger and friends are welcome! There's no cost and no registration required— just come and have some Easter fun!

Announcements



Josh Kaufman is a singer/songwriter who lives in Central Indiana. He has been a part of the Indianapolis music scene for more than two decades but is probably best known as the winner of season six of NBC's *The Voice*. While here at Tab, Josh will share the story of his journey from Christianity to agnosticism /atheism and back to Christianity. This solo presentation will explore themes of philosophy, religion, doubt, and a return to the faith by way of storytelling and original music. Join us as we welcome Josh for this special presentation of his journey.

LET'S GET EXCITED! TabJAMS REVEAL PARTY

Join us Sunday, April 23, at 11a for the TabJAMS summer concert series "Reveal Party." We will announce the musical artists who will perform at our June 11, July 9 and August 13 concerts. Stick around for a short performance by one of the featured musicians, enjoy some refreshments and learn how you can get involved in this exciting community-building event. The Reveal Party will be held in the passenger drop-off area on the north side of the church. For more information, email Sandy Roob at sroob16@gmail.com or John Thomas at John@princ.com.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

A Special Meeting of the Congregation is called for Sunday, March 19, for the purpose of receiving and acting on the nomination of the Designated Associated Pastor Nominating Committee. The meeting is at 9a in the Sanctuary and all members are encouraged to attend.



Week services. Mark your calendars now for these special times of worship:

PALM SUNDAY | April 2 @ 8a & 10a

MAUNDY THURSDAY | April 6 @ 7p

GOOD FRIDAY | April 7 @ 7p

EASTER SUNDAY | April 9

Sunrise Service
@ 7:30a in McKee Chapel

Youth Easter Breakfast
@ 8:30-10a in the Dining Room

Easter Celebration
@ 10a in the Sanctuary

CENTENNIAL LEGACY CAMPAIGN

You need not look far to see the results of the Tab Endowment Fund's recent investments in our 100-yearold church! In cooperation with the Session, we have a new parking lot, first floor renovations that include the offices and restrooms plus outside tuck-pointing, just to name a few! We have \$106,400 left to meet our match challenge and to reach our \$3M Legacy campaign goal. Pledge before March 31! Thank you!

CARINGBRIDGE/Patty Reel

Many of you have asked about how you can be of help to Rick and Patty Reel in this time of an uncertain future. If you would like, you can log into https://www.caringbridge.org/ visit/pattyreel for up-to-date information on the organized meals that are being provided. Your prayers are also greatly appreciated at this time. Thanks so much to Tab for your love and care.

STAY CONNECTED

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Tab's CHURCH CALENDAR

If you have a new event or meeting that needs to be scheduled at Tab or simply need to check on a date, please send all requests to frontdesk@tabpres.org. All calendar requests will now be handled by Janna Clegg, Tab's Front Office Administrator.

100 YEARS AT THE CORNER OF 34TH AND CENTRAL

100 years ago, in 1923, the Sanctuary of Tabernacle Presbyterian Church was built at the corner of 34th and Central in Indianapolis. Tab's Media and Worship Committees created a short video about the history of the building and what it means to the work of Christ on this corner and around the world. Check it out at YouTube/users/tabindy.

OPEN DOOR PEW CARDS

Check out the new Open Door pew cards in McKee Chapel and the Sanctuary so you can keep a list handy of needed items for our neighbors. Your donations make the blessing table's offerings to our Open Door neighbors possible. Thank you for your generous gifts. You may drop them off in McKee Hallway.

ROMANIA TRIP CALL-OUT

Are you interested in spending some time traveling with Tab friends to Romania? Tab is planning a trip in late 2023 and you are invited! We will visit several locations across central and southern Romania, travel through the Carpathian mountains and down to the Danube River. This will be a great time to show support to our partners in Romania that we have worked with for 30 years. To find out more, email Matt Gall at MGALL2112@gmail.com.

LOST AND FOUND

There are a number of "lost" items that we have collected over the last several months in the Front Office. If you have misplaced something recently, please check with one of our friendly greeters in the Front Office on Sunday morning... we might have what you are missing!

SAVE THE DATE!

TabFEST 2023 is coming November 10-12 at Brown County State Park!

THIS WEEK AT Tab

for the week of March 12-18, 2023

SUNDAY, March 12

Communion Service | 8a, McKee Chapel **SG&Ds** 'Lent In Plain Sight' | 9a, Parlor, McWRR, DR Children's Education Hour | 9a, LLBN 001 Youth Sunday School | 9a, YR Junior Church | 10a, LLBN **Worship Service** | 10a, Sanctuary **IMPACT Youth Group |** 11a, YR

MONDAY, March 13

Open Door Café | 11a, DR **HR Committee MTG** | 5p, Online Facilities Committee MTG | 5:30p, Session **Diversity & Justice Team MTG** | 6p, DR **Cub Scout Troop 72** | 6:30*p*, *LLBN*, *DR*, *G*, *AR*

TUESDAY, March 14

Women Alive | 10a, Parlor **Budget & Finance Committee MTG** | 5p, Online **Bible Study Fellowship** | 6:15p, DR, G **Prayer Meeting** | 6:30p, McKee Chapel **Children's Ministry MTG** | 7p, LLBN Worship, Music & Arts Cmte. MTG | 7:15p, Session

WEDNESDAY, March 15

Pastors' Bible Study | 9:30a, Parlor Preschool Play Day | 10-11:30a, 3s/4s RM Open Door Café | 11a, DR **Presbytery Records Review** | 6p, Parlor **Moms of Tab** | 6:30*p*, YR

THURSDAY, March 16

Tab Tutoring | 3:45p, Various Rooms Onsite Circles | 6p, LLBN, G Handbell Choir Rehearsal | 6p, Sanctuary Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal | 7:15p, CR

FRIDAY, March 17—St. Patrick's Day

Open Door Café | 11a, DR **Circle of Hope** | 3:30p, Parlor

SATURDAY, March 18

Men's Bible Study | 8a, Parlor **Foster Bridal Shower** | 10a, Parlor Praise Stage Board MTG | 10a, McWRR

AR = Airplane Room CR = Choir Room DR = Dining Room FO = Front Office G = Gallery SR = Session Room TP = Tab Park YR = Youth Room

LLBN = Lower Level B North McWRR = McWhirter Resource Room



