



TAB

Tabernacle Presbyterian Church
INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA

May 21, 2023 | 7th Sunday of Easter

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

TAB'S 2016 VISION RENEWAL: ITS RELEVANCE TODAY

Sundays, 9a-10a, Parlor: These classes correspond with the sermon series that Pastors John and Terri are preaching.

PARISHIONERS WITHOUT PARTNERS COVENANT GROUP

This group will focus on support, encouragement and fellowship and is open to all single, widowed or divorced Tab women, regardless of age. Participants will meet at Janie Parr's home.

Questions? Email Janie at mparr@iupui.edu.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY | *Taking a Break over the summer—will resume in the Fall of 2023.*

Questions? Email Ruth Miller for details: mrs.ruth.h.miller@gmail.com.

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

ELIJAH — Through the end of May, taught by Rev. Terri Thorn.

Questions? Email 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.

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

The Men of Tab continue a study on the book of Romans weekly.

Questions? Email 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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Holy Sacred Cross
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8 o'clock Worship

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PRELUDE

“Ciacona in e minor” —*Dietrich Buxtehude*

WELCOME

“All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!” —*Coronation*

All hail the power of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall;
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✝ CALL TO WORSHIP (*Psalm 133*) | Rev. L. John Gable

Leader: How good and pleasant it is when people live together in unity.

People: It is like precious oil on the head, running down upon the beard and over the collar of the robe.

Leader: It is like the dew of Hermon, which falls on the mountains of Zion.

People: For there the Lord ordained His blessing, life forever more.

UNISON: *In the unity of faith, let us worship the God of our salvation.*

✝ HYMN #463 | “How Firm a Foundation” —*Foundation*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION | Jack Booker

Almighty God, we confess how hard it is to be Your people. You have called us to be the Church, to continue the mission of Jesus Christ to our lonely and confused world. Yet we acknowledge we can be more apathetic than active, isolated than involved, callous than compassionate, obstinate than obedient, legalistic than loving. Gracious Lord, have mercy upon us and forgive our sins. Remove the obstacles which prevent us from being Your representatives to a broken world. Awaken our hearts to the promised gift of Your indwelling Spirit. These and all things we pray in, through and for the sake of Christ Jesus our Lord, in Whose name we now silently pray.

TIME OF SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting. I declare to you in the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven. May the God of mercy, who forgives all our sins, strengthen us in goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life.

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.

Today's Worship Participants

Rev. L. John Gable
Senior Pastor

Rev. Terri Thorn
Associate Pastor

Jack Booker
Summer Intern

Matt Kauffman
Organist

Daniel Rexroth
Children's Sermon

Sanctuary Choir

✝ 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.

MESSAGE NOTES

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Jeremiah 29:4-7 | pew Bible page 639

Acts 2:42-47 | pew Bible page 886

MESSAGE | Rev. L. John Gable

VISION RENEWAL: Stronger Community

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MOMENTS OF SILENT PRAYER AND REFLECTION

SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION | Rev. Terri Thorn

“Let us Break Bread Together” *(please join in singing)*

Let us break bread together on our knee (2x)

Refrain:

*When I fall on my knees, with my face to the rising sun,
O Lord, have mercy on me.*

Let us drink wine together on our knees (2x)

(Refrain)

Let us praise God together on our knees; (2x)

(Refrain)

PASTORAL PRAYER AND 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.

✝ HYMN #727 | “Will You Let Me Be Your Servant” – *The Servant Song*

✝ BENEDICTION

✝ POSTLUDE

“Toccatà” – *Theodore DuBois*

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Or do you want to
hear it again?

Or read it?

All of the sermons our
pastors have delivered
are available at
tabpres.org
under sermons.

Check it out!

✚ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Through the congregation God's people carry out the ministries of proclamation, sharing the Sacraments, and living in covenant life with God and each other. In the life of the congregation, individual believers are equipped for the ministry of witness to the love and grace of God in and for the world. The congregation reaches out to people, communities and the world to share the Good News of Jesus Christ, to gather people for worship, to offer care and nurture to God's children, to speak for social justice and righteousness, to bear witness to the truth and to the reign of God that is coming into the world. Amen.

CHILDREN'S SERMON | Daniel Rexroth

ANTHEM | "Lord, Make Me an Instrument of Thy Peace" —John Rutter

*Lord, make me an instrument of Thy peace;
Where there is hatred, let me bring love;
Where there is injury, pardon;
Where there is doubt, faith;
Where there is despair, hope;
Where there is darkness, light;
Where there is sadness, joy;
And all for Thy mercy's sake.
O divine Master grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console;
To be understood as to understand;
To be loved as to love;
For it is in giving that we receive;
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned;
And it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.*

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✚ HYMN #316 | "Where Charity and Love Prevail" —Twenty-Fourth

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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 & 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 email Finance director, 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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHIES TO:

DOUG and Angela BRALY and family in the passing of his father, CHARLES BRALY, May 12.

CHAMBER MUSIC CONCERT— featuring STEVE BECRAFT

TODAY at 2p, Tab is the host for new Indianapolis clarinetist Steve Becraft in a chamber music performance, with local string musicians — *Tom Watkins, Amanda Baer, Suzann Um, Polina Umansky* and pianist, *Paulo Castro*. This concert of chamber music is free and open to the public. Come, enjoy and bring a friend!

ATTENTION YOUNG ADULTS (18-24 Years Old)

Bart Ost and Dan Rexroth are hosting a pizza dinner on **Monday, May 22, at 6:30p** at the Ost's home located at 405 E. 45th St. This is an opportunity to get together, catch up, and gauge interest for future gatherings this summer. We look forward to seeing everyone!

MEMORIAL WEEKEND WORSHIP SERVICE

Please make a note that on **Sunday, May 28**, there will be only one service of worship at 10a. All other programming is taking a break in observance of the Memorial Day holiday.

OPEN DOOR CAFÉ ONE YEAR ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

On **Friday, June 2**, the Open Door Ministry Café will celebrate the one year anniversary operating with the new relationship-focused model. At the celebration, we will review milestones achieved in the past year. Tab members and friends

are invited to attend from **11a-NOON** to enjoy lunch, cake, live music and fellowship!

GRADUATION SUNDAY

JUNE 4, 8a & 10a Services (**The deadline to turn in info is TODAY!**) We would like to acknowledge and honor their accomplishments and successes. A brief video honoring our graduates will be presented during both worship services on June 4.

If you have a student that is graduating from high school, college, or graduate school, please send one or two photos with their name, future plans, and connection to Tab to Youth Director, Amy Rexroth at ARexroth@Carmelpsychotherapy.com.

UPCOMING INQUIRERS' CLASS

Saturday, June 17 from 9a–11a in the 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 and those participating in the class will be invited to become members of Tab, but membership is optional. For more info or to register for this class, email frontdesk@tabpres.org.

LACEY/MANELLA EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Two sisters, Ruth Lacey and Peggy Manella, have left a gift to Tab in order to establish a Women's Education Scholarship Fund. The Lacey/Manella Women's Scholarship Fund is a \$2,000 grant for up to four years for first-time or returning students who are members/participants of Tabernacle Presbyterian Church seeking a post-secondary degree. Interested applicants should contact frontdesk@tabpres.org. Please note "Lacey/Manella Fund" in the subject line of your email.

TAB JAMS
SADIE JOHNSON
ROB DIXON
SUNDAY • JUNE 11, 2023 • 6-8 PM
BRING A LAWN CHAIR
34TH & CENTRAL, TAB PARK
FREE CONCERT SERIES

If you like building community AND listening to some great jazz, pop, or rhythm & blues (R&B) music, consider volunteering at one (or all of) the next TabJams concerts! Please contact Sandy Roob at sroob16@gmail.com or John Thomas at john@jtprinc.com to sign up or learn more.

SUMMER CAMP AT PYOCA 2023

A week at PYOCA allows kids the chance to experience all sorts of fun and new things in a loving, Christian community. Sign your student up today by going to pyoca.org/summer_camp/. Scholarships are available if you need one. Email Children's Ministry Director, Jennifer Wirt at jennifer.wirt@tabpres.org. Please do not let finances hinder your student from going this summer.

KIDS GAMES

REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!

2023 Vacation Bible School, June 19-23, 9a-NOON. Tab Children's Ministries and Tab Recreation have joined forces to bring sports, games, Bible lessons, crafts, music and snacks for this summer's VBS, open to all students entering grades 1-7. The week is FREE but pre-registration is required so we can plan for supplies, snacks and volunteers. You can find the registration link on Tab's website tabpres.org.

KIDS GAMES VOLUNTEERS

NEEDED! We need adults to oversee crafts, indoor learning games, Bible lessons and group time during this year's VBS. KidsGames will run from June 19-23 from 9a until NOON each day and we expect many students to participate—both from the Tab congregation and from the surrounding community. This is a wonderful opportunity for us to get to know a terrific group of children and to show Tab's love and commitment to our neighbors. Volunteers can choose which day(s) they would like to help; even one morning is appreciated! **Volunteer sign-ups are available in McKee Hallway each Sunday morning from now throughout May.**

REV. L. JOHN GABLE CELEBRATION

SAVE THE DATE:

Sunday, July 30 at 10a

There will be one worship service at 10a followed by a special program in loving recognition of Rev. L. John Gable in the Sanctuary, followed by a Celebration Picnic in Tab Park. More info is coming soon!

FRESH STOP PRODUCE SUMMER 2023

Are you concerned about food access in the Tab neighborhood? Does it bother you that a healthy diet just is not affordable for many folks? Do you want to improve your own diet by eating more veggies? Are you looking for a place to volunteer your skills as a Tab member? If you answered yes to any of these questions, Fresh Stop is for you! We are currently in need of more volunteers to help with this ministry and we always need more folks to help by ordering shares. To learn more, pick up a brochure at Tab's Front Desk. For more information about how you can help, [contact Sally John at sallybjohn@gmail.com](mailto:sallybjohn@gmail.com).

KEEPING COOL THIS SUMMER BOX FAN DRIVE

Please bring your new boxed fan to the front desk for our annual fan distribution outreach for the Open Door Café Ministry. Many of our neighbors don't have air conditioning and the fans really help as the temperatures rise. Thank you for your generosity!

TAB OFFICER NOMINEES FOR 2024

Members of the 2023 Nominating Committee requests your prayers and assistance as they discern Tab's slate of officers for 2024. They are seeking nominations for the position of Elder, Deacon and Endowment Fund Trustees. Please submit names for consideration to: teresalubbers@gmail.com by May 31. Feel free to reach out to a member of the Nominating Committee if you have questions: *Brittany Barnett, Judy Fraps, Jane Harvey, Dan Hursh, Ruth Miller, Carol Newell, Jeff Poole and Teresa Lubbers.*

WHERE IS THE BIG BLUE BARREL?

Following a decision by the Mission Committee, which ended our participation in the collections of canned and dry goods for the Mid-North Food Pantry (MNFP), the barrel was removed and all remaining donations were distributed to neighbors through the Open Door Ministry Café – many of whom are also visitors of the MNFP.

Several factors contributed to this decision, including: the pantry currently receives the majority of stock in bulk through large-scale donations and discounted purchases; cash donations provide the greatest flexibility to meet the needs of the neighbors; and we no longer have staff availability to deliver the collections to the pantry in a timely manner. Rest assured, the Tab family still supports MNFP with financial donations, volunteers and Board members. We also encourage direct contributions and food donations to the pantry which is located at 3333 North Meridian Street. For more information about specific needs or ways to volunteer, please check out their website: MidNorthfoodpantry.org

USHERS STILL NEEDED FOR THE 10a SERVICE

Volunteers are requested to sign up for one month at a time and will be responsible for greeting, passing out bulletins, assisting with seating when necessary and collecting the offering. If you would be interested in assisting or if you have questions, [please contact Matt Kauffman at 923.5458 x102](mailto:matt.kauffman@tabpres.org) or email him at matt.kauffman@tabpres.org. No experience is necessary; all you need is a friendly smile and a warm "Good morning!"

This week at Tab

for the week of May 21-27

Tab's Online Calendar: tabpres.org/calendar/

SUNDAY, May 21

Communion Service | 8a, McKee Chapel
Coffee & Fellowship | 8:45a McKee Hallway
SG&D Vision Renewal Review | 9a, Parlor
Children's Education | 9a, LLBN 001
Youth Education | 9a, YR
Worship Service | 10a, Sanctuary
Junior Church | 10a, LLBN
Coffee & Conversation | 11a, Parlor
Romania Trip Planning CMTE MTG | 11a, McWRR
IMPACT Youth Group | 11a, YR
Chamber Music Concert | 2p, Sanctuary
Sally John Piano Recital & Reception | 4:30p, Parlor

MONDAY, May 22

Open Door Café | 11a, DR

TUESDAY, May 23

Women Alive | 10a, Parlor
Media Committee MTG | 3:30p, McWRR
Congregational Life MTG | 5:30p, McWRR
Prayer Meeting | 6:30p, McKee Chapel
Deacons' MTG | 7p, Parlor

WEDNESDAY, May 24

Pastors' Bible Study | 9:30a, Parlor
Open Door Café | 11a, DR
Praise Band Rehearsal | 7p, Sanctuary

THURSDAY, May 25

Circles | 6p, LLBN, G
Getting Ahead Class | 6p, McWRR
Handbell Rehearsal | 6p, Sanctuary
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal | 7:15p, CR

FRIDAY, May 26

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

SATURDAY, May 27

Men's Bible Study | 8a, Parlor
Purls of Wisdom | 10a, SR

AR = Airplane Room
DR = Dining Room
G = Gallery
TP = Tab Park

CR = Choir Room
FO = Front Office
SR = Session Room
YR = Youth Room

LLBN = Lower Level B North

McWRR = McWhirter Resource Room