



TAB

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 this morning. Nurseries are available for infants along with programming for preschoolers.

Discipleship Classes

Current Discipleship Opportunities

SPIRITUAL GROWTH & DEVELOPMENT | Sundays, 9a-10a, Parlor

Please join us to meet the leaders of Tab to learn about the roles they fill.

August 27 Elders & Staff
September 3 NO CLASS (Labor Day Weekend)

—BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 10—

WHY DO WE DO WHAT WE DO? JOURNEY TO SPIRITUAL MATURITY

A new, four-week series, presented by **Rev. David Chaddock**, Director of CenterPoint Counseling Center at Second Presbyterian Church, will explore the daily disruptions we face and how our brain works to navigate these challenges. You will also explore how our life experiences shape our beliefs and relationships and how they also impact our attachments, wants and anxieties. There will be discussion about how meditation and prayer can help us become more spiritually mature and Christ-like. You will not want to miss this exceptional opportunity to learn some helpful insights from psychology that have a bearing on our movement toward spiritual maturity.

Sundays, September 10, 17, 24; October 1

PARISHIONERS WITHOUT PARTNERS COVENANT GROUP

This group focuses 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.

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 start their study on the books of **I & II Thessalonians** 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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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 | “Cantilene” —*Josef Rheinberger*

WELCOME | “Come, Thou Almighty King” —*Italian Hymn*

Come, Thou almighty King, help us Thy name to sing;
Help us to praise: Father, all glorious, o'er all victorious,
Come, and reign over us, Ancient of Days.

✠ **CALL TO WORSHIP** | Rev. Terri Thorn

Leader: We are met in the presence of God,

People: And we do not meet alone.

Leader: With the angels in the highest heaven,

People: We gather to worship the Lord.

Leader: With Abraham and Sarah,

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Leader: With the saints of every age,

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Leader: We embark on our own journey of faith.

People: God's holy name be praised.

Leader: God makes of us a great people.

People: God's holy name be praised.

Leader: In the desert and in the den, in barrio and basilica,

People: God's holy name be praised.

Leader: We journey in the presence of God,

People: And we do not journey alone.

Unison: Together and with voices lifted, we worship God.

✠ **HYMN #49** | “The God of Abraham Praise” —*Leoni*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION | Rev. Terri Thorn

God of salvation, you shower our lives and our world with love, yet we too often turn away from your blessing. Sometimes it is just easier to complain. There are little annoyances each day, but they pile up into a mountainous burden that becomes a curse on our lives. Free us from our unwise choices, O God. When we are distracted and confused, redirect our attention to the abundant opportunities to experience your love and find freedom. During this journey we call life, help us focus our hearts on you, that we may choose the blessing of salvation offered us each day through our Savior Jesus Christ. This and all things we pray together and in the silence of hearts in Jesus' name.

SILENT CONFESSION

✠ Please stand if able.

Today's Worship Participants

Rev. T. Alan Thames
*Executive Presbyter
of the Presbytery of
Whitewater Valley*

Rev. Terri Thorn
Associate Pastor

Matt Kauffman
Organist

Leah Crane
Vocals

Pavel Polanco-Safadit
Piano

10 o'clock Worship

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✝ HYMN #611 | "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" —*Hymn to Joy*

✝ THE SCOT'S CONFESSION OF FAITH

We confess and acknowledge one God alone, to whom alone we must cleave, whom alone we must serve, whom only we must worship, and in whom alone we put our trust. Who is eternal, infinite, immeasurable, incomprehensible, omnipotent, invisible; one in substance and yet distinct in three persons, the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost. By whom we confess and believe all things in heaven and earth, visible and invisible, to have been created, to be retained in their being, and to be ruled and guided by his inscrutable providence for such end as his eternal wisdom, goodness, and justice have appointed, and to the manifestation of his own glory. Amen.

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hear it again?

Or read it?

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

Check it out!

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SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: God did not send Jesus into the world to condemn it, but that the world might be saved through Him. Through the saving Love of Jesus Christ, know that you are forgiven and blessed.

UNISON: *In Jesus Christ we are forgiven! This is the Good News of the Gospel that we share with all people. Amen.*

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE and PRESENTATION OF BIBLES | Jennifer Wirt and Rev. Terri Thorn

SPECIAL MUSIC | "Song to God" —Pavel Polanco-Safadit

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and THE LORD'S PRAYER | Rev. Terri Thorn

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 #452 | "Open the Eyes of My Heart" —*Open the Eyes*

SCRIPTURE READINGS

OLD TESTAMENT: **Genesis 12:1-9** (pew Bible page 8)

GOSPEL: **Luke 24:13-35** (pew Bible page 860)

MESSAGE | Rev. T. Alan Thames

What Next? More Questions Than Answers

SILENT REFLECTION AND PRAYER

✠ HYMN #702 | "Christ Be Beside Me" —*Bunessan*

✠ BENEDICTION

✠ POSTLUDE

✠ Please stand if able.

Please join us in the Parlor immediately following worship for Coffee & Conversation Fellowship time.

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



WELCOME REV. T. ALAN THAMES

Rev. T. Alan Thames is the Executive Presbyter for Whitewater Valley Presbytery, a position in which he has served since January 2009. Prior to his service with the Presbytery, he served congregations in Kansas City, Missouri (1983-1988) and Fort Wayne, Indiana (1988-2008). He is married to **Judy Cordle Thames**, who is retired from a career in higher education. They have three adult daughters and four grandchildren.

Monday, September 4. Regular office hours will resume on Tuesday, September 5. Enjoy your holiday!

WOMEN ALIVE

Women Alive is for women of all ages who desire to move through life together while learning to know themselves and God better. We meet from 10-11:30a on Tuesday mornings in the Parlor. **Tuesday, September 5**, will be our start-up meeting for this fall and if you'd like to join us, we'll start early at 9:30a just this one time. Please bring a brunch item to share. We will have a special presentation from Josh Strodtman about the work he does with drums, as well as discussing what books and studies we would like to do this school year. Please join us! For more information, email Sally John at sallybjohn@gmail.com. We will continue to offer a zoom option for those of you who wish to join us from home.

Spiritual Growth & Development

MEET YOUR ELDERS & STAFF

TODAY, August 27
9a, Parlor

MEET YOUR ELDERS & STAFF TODAY!

If you have ever wondered “What does an Elder do? What is the Staff in charge of?” then come to the Parlor at 9a where you can meet your Tab Elders and Staff to hear a bit about what they do in the areas of ministry that they oversee and lead for God’s Kingdom.

TAB TUTORING

Tab tutoring will start their 2023-2024 tutoring year on **Thursday, September 7, from 3:45-5:15p** and will continue every Thursday. They hope to be able to serve a growing number of students and encourage you to consider being a part of this ministry.

If you would like to volunteer or have questions about Tab tutoring please call **Barb Babcock** (317-730-3898) or **Carol Newell** (540-597-0794). As always, we are thankful for all your prayers and ask that you continue to pray for the students, volunteers and this ministry.

HOT DOGS! GET YOUR HOT DOGS HERE!

On **Sunday, September 10**, you are invited to come to the Courtyard immediately following worship to enjoy a delicious hot dog lunch. The scouts of Troop 72 and 721 are grilling up hot dogs with all of the fixings.

BIBLE PRESENTATION

As is our long-standing tradition here at Tab, this morning we will present New International Readers Bibles to our 3rd graders and leather-bound Student Bibles to our 7th graders. **3rd graders receiving Bibles today are** (which includes a couple of 4th graders who were unable to participate last year): *Liam Barnett, Jude Daymon, Dromo Darku, Delaney Fraps, Frantz Lynn, Claire McLelland, Hank Teague, Zac Turman, Ya’Mila Williams, J.T. Woller and Paul Woller.* **7th graders receiving Bibles are:** *Stella Fowles, Emma Fraser, Emma Lynn, Lainey Meils, Claire Turman, Lucas Urfalian and Austin Woller.*

TEEN HELPER TRAINING

Immediately following worship today, all Tab students in grades 6-12 are invited to Lower Level B for a brief Teen Helper Training. You will hear about how AMAZING it is to be a Teen Helper and what a wonderful opportunity it is to serve your church. You will also sign up for Sunday spots and have refreshments and door prizes. We hope you will plan to join us!

SANCTUARY CHOIR

The Sanctuary Choir is looking for folks in all sections to come and join in the fun as we learn new music and lead worship each Sunday morning. **Rehears-**

als begin Thursday, August 31, at 7p and will continue each Thursday evening. Start singing in the car, shower or anywhere else you would like to get your voice into shape and consider being a part of this exciting ministry as we prepare for Sunday mornings and a few specials throughout the year!
Questions? Contact Matt at ext. 102 or email him @ matt.kauffman@tabpres.org.

LABOR DAY SCHEDULE

In observance of the Labor Day weekend, there is only one service of worship on **Sunday, September 3, at 10a**. The Church office will also be **closed on**

Join us for TABERNACLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH'S Annual

Golf Classic

Benefiting the Tab Deacons' Benevolence Fund



SAT, September 30, 2023
8a Shotgun Start

Tab GOLF CLASSIC REGISTRATION BEGINS TODAY!

Stop by the table in McKee Hall to register for Tab's Annual Golf Classic and lunch on **September 30** at Eagle Creek Golf Course. Members and friends are invited to enjoy a Florida scramble-style golf outing with lunch and silent auction following.

Cost of golf and lunch is \$75/golfer.

Everyone is invited to come enjoy a lunch of fried chicken, fried biscuits with apple butter, and other sides as well as bidding in the silent auction following golf. **Cost of lunch is only \$15/person.**

The Deacons hope to see you there! Questions?

Contact **Robert Darku** at **463-224-2966** or **rdarku@gmail.com**.

Our Tab Troop was re-chartered 25 years ago and has been led by Scoutmaster **Dan Hursh** and Assistant Scoutmasters, **Chris Fedor**, **Mike O'Banyel**, and **Jeff Swiatek**. Please join us as we thank them for their 25 years of service and meet the group of men and women who will lead the scouts into the next 25 years.

Tab FAMILYFEST

November 10, 11, 12 at Brown County State Park. Please mark

your calendars for a wonderful weekend to gather the church family at the Abe Martin Lodge. It will be a full weekend of great fun and fellowship while growing deeper in our faith and in relationship with one another, an inter-generational weekend you will not want to miss. You will also have time to enjoy all of the amenities of the park and the sweet town of Nashville, Indiana. **Registration is coming soon so stay tuned!**



This week at Tab

for the week of August 27– September 4

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

SUNDAY, AUGUST 27

Communion Service | 8a, McKee Chapel
Coffee & Fellowship | 8:45a, McKee Hallway
Children's Education | 9a, LLBN 001
Youth Education | 9a, YR
SG&D's MEET THE ELDERS & STAFF | 9a, Parlor
CM Bible Presentation | 10a, Sanctuary
—NO JUNIOR CHURCH TODAY
Worship Service | 10:30a, Sanctuary
Coffee & Conversation | 11a, Parlor
IMPACT Youth Group | 11a, YR
CM Teen Helper Training | 11a, LLB

MONDAY, AUGUST 28

Open Door Café | 11a, DR
Cub Scout Pack 72 | 6:30p, Ding RM, Gallery

TUESDAY, AUGUST 29

Tab Rec Visioning | 8a, Parlor
Staff Meeting | 9a, Session RM
Prayer Meeting | 6:30p, McKee Chapel

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 30

Pastors' Bible Study | 9:30a, Parlor
Open Door Café | 11a, Dining RM

THURSDAY, AUGUST 31

Circles | 6p, Dining RM
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal | 7p, Choir RM

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

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

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

Men's Bible Study | 8a, Parlor

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

Worship Service | 10a, Sanctuary
Coffee & Conversation | 11a, Parlor

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 4— LABOR DAY

TAB OFFICES CLOSED

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

McWRC = McWhirter Resource Center