



Tabernacle Presbyterian Church
INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA

September 3, 2023 | 14th Sunday after Pentecost

10 o'clock Worship

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

PRELUDE | “Your Favorite Hymns”

WELCOME | “For the Beauty of the Earth” —*Dix*

For the beauty of the earth, for the glory of the skies,
For the love which from our birth over and around us lies:
Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.

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

Leader: In mutual compassion and authentic love...

People: We gather as the family of God.

Leader: We offer our gifts, our hope and our lives...

People: To build up this community of faith.

Leader: We bring our songs of gratitude and joy...

People: To bless God with our worship and praise.

Unison: Together, let us worship God.

✠ **HYMN #14** | “For the Beauty of the Earth” —*Dix*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION | Kaye Diener

God of love, you ask us to love one another from the center of who we are. You tell us to bless one another, you encourage us to do good; but we have not listened to your words. Instead of loving we have practiced hatred; instead of blessing, we have perfected cursing; instead of doing good, we have sought to get even. Forgive us for giving up. Give us grace to try again and encouragement to make your ways our ways. We pray, we wait, and we hope.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Remember the wonderful works of God, the amazing peace of Christ and the powerful love of the Spirit. For in this Holy Trinity of grace, we are forgiven, reunited and reconciled with God and with one another. Friends, believe the Good

UNISON: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven! Thanks be to God. Amen.

✠ **RESPONSE #581** | “Gloria Patri” —*Greataorex*

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.

✠ **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.

Today's
Worship
Participants

Rev. Terri Thorn
Associate Pastor

Matt Kauffman
Organist/Pianist

✠ Please stand if able.

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE | Rev. Terri Thorn

Following this morning’s Children’s Sermon, we ask that all children return to their seats with their parents. There is no Junior Church programming today.

✝ **SONG |** “Lord, I Lift Your Name On High” —*Rick Founds*

Lord, I lift Your name on high;
Lord, I love to sing Your praises.
I'm so glad You're in my life;
I'm so glad You came to save us.

Chorus

You came from heaven to earth
To show the way;
From the earth to the cross
My debt to pay;
From the cross to the grave,
From the grave to the sky,
Lord, I lift Your name on high.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Romans 12:9-21 (pew Bible page 922)

Matthew 16:21-28 (pew Bible page 798)

MESSAGE | Rev. Terri Thorn

What Next? Live to Love

“Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good.”

SILENT REFLECTION AND PRAYER

SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

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

Let us break bread together on our knees; (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)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD’S PRAYER *(please join in singing)*

Our Father, which 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 #353 |** “My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less” —*Solid Rock*

✝ **BENEDICTION**

✝ **POSTLUDE**

MESSAGE NOTES

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For a more details on all of these announcements and more, please see your September Chimes newsletter or check it out at our website: tabpres.org.

HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS

The Church office will be **closed on Monday, September 4**. Regular office hours will resume on Tuesday. Enjoy your holiday!

WOMEN ALIVE

Women Alive is a group for women of all ages who desire to move through life together, while learning to know themselves and God better. Meetings resume **September 5 from 10-11:30a**, each Tuesday morning, in the Parlor. Do you have questions or need more information? Email Sally John at sallybjohn@gmail.com.

TAB TUTORING

Tab tutoring starts their 2023-2024 tutoring year on **September 7 (for tutors only) and on the 14th (with students), from 3:45-5:15p** and will continue each Tuesday through the school year.

TUTORS ARE NEEDED! If you would like to volunteer or have questions, please call **Barb Babcock** (317-730-3898) or **Carol Newell** (540-597-0794).

SANCTUARY CHOIR

It's not too late to bring your voices and become part of this year's Sanctuary Choir! Throughout the year, they lead worship and bring special programs to the Tab family and community. **Rehearsals are each Thursday evening at 7p**; everyone is welcome! No auditions required, just a love of singing and a desire to worship God with your talent. We hope you will consider being a part of this awesome group of singers!

PRETEEN KICKOFF BREAKFAST

Saturday, September 9, 9a at Lincoln Square Pancake House (86th & Ditch Road). All students, grades 5 and 6, are invited to join. No need to bring money, but please let Jennifer Wirt know by September 6 if you will be coming so she can get a large enough table: jennifer.wirt@tabpres.org, ext. 140.

JOURNEY TO SPIRITUAL MATURITY

For four Sundays starting **September 10 at 9a**, in the Parlor, this new study

(facilitated by Rev. David Chaddock, Director of CenterPoint Counseling Center @ Second Presbyterian Church) will explore the daily disruptions we face and how our brain works to navigate these challenges.

GET YOUR HOTDOGS HERE!

Sunday, September 10, you are invited to come to the Dining Room immediately following worship to enjoy a delicious hotdog lunch sponsored by the scouts of Troop 72 and 721. In addition to the meal, they will be honoring Scoutmaster, **Dan Hursh** and Assistant Scoutmasters, **Chris Fedor, Mike O'Banyel** and **Jeff Swiatek** for 25 years of service.

GOLF CLASSIC

Saturday, September 30; 8a shotgun start at Eagle Creek Golf Course. Register now for a place in the annual fundraiser benefiting the Deacons' Benevolence Fund. For more information or to sign up, please see a friendly greeter at the table in McKee Hallway or **contact Robert Darku at 463-224-2966 or email him at rdarku@gmail.com**.

TAB FAMILYFEST

November 10-12 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. **Keep a lookout for an informational brochure and registration form that will arrive in your postal mailbox next week!**

BLESSING TABLE NEEDS

Thank you for helping us with razors, toothbrushes and toothpaste for our Blessing Table friends on Wednesdays. We are grateful for your continued generous contributions to the Open Door Café. Current needs: **socks for men & women, mini tissues** and **travel-size deodorant** to help us restock shelves.

This week at Tab

for the week of September 3-10

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

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

Worship Service | 10a, Sanctuary

Coffee & Conversation | 11a, Parlor

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 4— LABOR DAY

TAB OFFICES CLOSED

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

Women Alive | 10a, Parlor

Prayer Meeting | 6:30p, McKee Chapel

Spiritual Growth & Development | 7p, Parlor

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

Pastors' Bible Study | 9:30a, Parlor

Open Door Café | 11a, Dining RM

Rec MTG | 1p, SR Pastor's Office

Missions Committee MTG | 5:30p, Parlor

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

Tab Tutoring | 3:45p, (for tutors)

Circles | 6p, Dining RM

Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal | 7p, Choir RM

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

Open Door Café | 11a, DR

Circle of Hope | 3:30p, Parlor

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

Men's Bible Study | 8a, Parlor

Preteen Kickoff Breakfast | 9a, Off-site

PraiseStage Rehearsal | 9a, Dining RM

Fresh Stop Produce | 10a, Raphael Health Center

Purls of Wisdom | 10a, Session RM

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

Communion Service | 8a, McKee Chapel

Coffee & Fellowship | 8:45a, McKee Hallway

Children's Education | 9a, LLBN 001

Youth Education | 9a, YR

JOURNEY TO SPIRITUAL MATURITY | 9a, Parlor

Junior Church | 10a, LLB

Worship Service | 10a, Sanctuary

Coffee & Conversation | 11a, Parlor

IMPACT Youth Group | 11a, YR

TabJAMS 2023 Debrief MTG | 11a, McWRC

HOTDOGS & SCOUTS | 11a, Dining RM