

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 Message). Nurseries are available for infants along with programming for preschoolers.

Discipleship Classes

Current Discipleship Opportunities

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

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

This is the final Sunday for the Adult Sunday School series, "Why We Do What We Do?" presented by Rev. David Chaddock, Director of CenterPoint Counseling Center at Second Presbyterian Church. You will not want to miss this final opportunity to learn some helpful insights from psychology that have a bearing on our movement toward spiritual maturity.

Next week (October 8) begins a new class series on C. S. Lewis' book, "The Problem of Pain," with Mark John.

PARISHIONERS WITHOUT PARTNERS COVENANT GROUP | SUNDAYS 11a-12:30p | McWRC

This group focuses on support, encouragement and fellowship and is open to all single, widowed or divorced Tab women, regardless of age. *Questions*? **Email Janie at mparr@iupui.edu.**

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

This is a group for women of all ages who desire to move through life together while learning to know themselves and God better. *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 are continuing their study on the books of I & II Thessalonians. *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 | "Adagio" (from "Choral #3 in a minor") — César Franck

WELCOME | "We Praise You, O God" —*Kremser*

We praise you, O God, our Redeemer, Creator; In grateful devotion our tribute we bring. We lay it before you; we kneel and adore you; We bless your holy name; glad praises we sing.

CALL TO WORSHIP | Rev. Terri Thorn

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HYMN #757 | "Today We Are Called To Be Disciples" —*Kingsfold*

CALL TO CONFESSION | Peg Strodtbeck

Friends, sin is our stumbling block. Repentance clears the way to hear and receive God's truth. Let us confess our sins together.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of mercy, your love has never been far from us. Even when we turn our backs on people in need, when we seek our own comfort and neglect opportunities to help others, when we, by our thoughts and actions, betray you, you always are with us. Forgive us for all those acts of cowardice and self-centeredness that have drawn us away from you. Heal our spirits and rebuild our lives. You have placed us in a global community in which illness, oppression, greed, fear and anger abound. You ask us to proclaim your words of hope and love, of healing mercy for all your people. Heal our spirits and give us the bold courage to truly be your disciples. Place us again on the path of peace. For we ask these things in the silence of our hearts in the name of Jesus Christ.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: All who respond to God's call to repentance are embraced in the generous mercy of God. Whether you responded to God's call at the first opportunity, or whether you are responding for the first time now, God's gracious forgiveness is yours in Jesus Christ. Sisters and brothers, believe the Good News of the Gospel and be at peace.

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RESPONSE #581 | "Gloria Patri" — *Greatorex*

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. Terri Thorn Associate Pastor

Peg Strodtbeck 8a Liturgist

> Drew Childs 10a Liturgist

Matt Kauffman Hayden Glasgow Organists

Sanctuary Choir

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	For you reign in the glory of the powe	r that is love, now and forever. Amen.	
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Facebook Group —look for— **"The Tab Family"**

On YouTube, subscribe to Tab's YouTube page, tabindy.

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 at tabpres.org under sermons. Check it out!

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We believe that goodness and justice will triumph in the end and that tyranny and oppression cannot last forever.
One day all tears will be wiped away; the lamb will lie down with the lion, and justice will roll down like a mighty stream.
True peace and true reconciliation are not only desired, they are assured and guaranteed in Christ.
This is our faith. This is our hope.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE | Rev. Terri Thorn

ANTHEM | "Come to the Table of the Lord" — Jay Althouse

Come to the table where the bread is broken. Come to the table where the word of God is spoken. And take this bread into your life as a token. Come to the table of the Lord.

Come to the table and drink this wine. Come to the table believe in this sign. Renew your spirit with this food divine. Come to the table of the Lord.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

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Matthew 21:23-32 (pew Bible page 802)

MESSAGE | Rev. Terri Thorn

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MOMENT OF SILENT PRAYER AND REFLECTION

INVITATION TO COMMUNION | "Room At The Table"

SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION | "Agnus Dei" - Michael John Trotta

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world, *Dona eis requiem.* Grant them your peace.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

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PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

(From The New Zealand Book of Prayer/He Karakia Mihinare o Aotearoa-1989)

Eternal Spirit, Earth-maker, Pain-bearer, Life-giver,
Source of all that is and that shall be,
Father and Mother of us all,
Loving God, in whom is heaven:
The hallowing of your name echo through the universe!
The way of your justice be followed by the peoples of the world!
Your heavenly will be done by all created beings!
Your commonwealth of peace and freedom sustain our hope and come on earth.
With the bread we need for today, feed us.
In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.
In times of temptation and test, strengthen us.
From trials too great to endure, spare us.
From the grip of all that is evil, free us.

For you reign in the glory of the power that is love, now and forever. Amen.

HYMN #727 | "Will You Let Me Be Your Servant" — The Servant Song

- BENEDICTION
- **POSTLUDE** | "Allegro in G Major" *Dietrich Buxtehude*

Hungry and thirsty, we come, Lord to thee. We humbly bow on bended knee.

Come to the table and dwell in God's light. Come to the table and kneel before His sight. Join in communion and know his holy might. Come to the table of the Lord. Come to the table of the Lord.

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 AND PRAYERS GO OUT TO:

The family and friends of:

MARGARET HANSEN-KAHN, who passed away on

September 18. A Celebration of Life will be held Friday, October 6, from 3-6p at Oaklawn Memorial Gardens, 9700 Allisonville Road.

DON WHITE, (husband of Sue White) who passed away on September, 25. A memorial service will be held at Tab on Saturday, October 7 at 1p in the Sanctuary.

DOROTHY CANTWELL

(mother to David Cantwell) who passed on September 26.

GREAT INDY CLEANUP

Saturday, October 7, at 9a, volunteers are needed to come out and show some love to the Earth and clean up some litter in the Mapleton-Fall Creek neighborhood. As part of our "Stronger Community" mission at Tab. We hope you will join others in helping beautify the very neighborhood in which we reside while shining Jesus' light

SG&D'S CLASS ON C.S. LEWIS' BOOK "THE PROBLEM OF PAIN" WITH MARK JOHN

of service. Sign up to volunteer

at kibi.org/projects.

"I am trying to show only that the old Christian doctrine of being made perfect through suffering is not incredible." In his book, Lewis offers a rational case for the problem of pain. It is not mere

reasons and arguments. Spiritual transformation begins with insight and awareness. As he has said, "Reason is the organ of truth, the imagination is the organ of meaning." Hence, this six-week class, beginning October 8 (through November 26), will offer a presentation of Lewis' key points in his own words. There will be scriptures related to the text and concepts ready to anchor us. Images have been built in at every stage to help spark imaginations. Read the book in advance if you like, but it is not necessary since each week we will be covering what Lewis says closely.

STAFF APPRECIATION SUNDAY

On October 15 please join us as we thank and celebrate our amazing Tab staff for their dedication and service to the many ministries of Tab. A card will be provided in the October Chimes or your bulletin that day to express your thanks to an employee or the whole group. Join us for cake in the Parlor after the 10a service!

TREATS AT TAB

Formerly Trunk or Treat, Treats at Tab will take place in Lower Level A and B from 12-1:30p on Sunday, October 29. Lunch will be served, you will have a chance to play carnival games, get your face painted and get goodie bags, DJ music and of course... lots and lots of candy! All are welcome—and there is no cost for this event.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

There are many ways in which you can serve with your time and talent for the upcoming **Treats at Tab**. Willing and able volunteers are needed to hand out candy, help serve lunch as well as oversee the various festivities. In addition, your donations of candy and treats (*individually-wrapped*, *please!*) are also needed.

Sign up at the table in McKee Hallway Sundays in October. Please email Jennifer with any questions at at jennifer.wirt@tabpres.org.

TAB BUILDING CLOSED

Our building will be closed from 7a until 12p on Saturday, October 28, due to the road closures involving the Monumental Marathon route.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Boxes and box labels for OCC are available in McKee Hallway during the month of October (during the week, in the Front Office). This year's deadline for donations is Sunday, November 12. For more info on what items are suggested for these love boxes to children all over the world-please go to samaritanspurse.org. We thank you in advance for your thoughtful generosity to God's children around the world! Questions? Email Jennifer Wirt at jennifer.wirt@tabpres.org.

TAB FAMILYFEST

November 10-12 at Brown County State Park. Mark your calendars and plan to join us for a wonderful weekend to gather the church family at the Abe Martin Lodge. Register today with one of the friendly faces at the table in McKee Hallway. This will be a full weekend of great fun and fellowship while growing deeper in our faith and in relationship with one another,



The rose on the communion table today is in celebration of a new birth!

Baby girl, LAINE ELIZABETH MURRELL, born September 24 to proud parents, BRAD & KIRSTY MURRELL and first-time grandparents, KAREN & JOHN MURRELL.

Congratulations!

a great inter-generational opportunity you will not want to miss. You will also have time to enjoy all of the amenities of the park and the sweet little own of Nashville, Indiana.

BLESSING TABLE NEEDS

Check your coats and jackets. If you have extras you won't be using this winter, please bring them to the Front Office for our Open Door Café friends. Last year, we were able to help keep our neighbors warm with rainproof parkas and heavy coats. Thank you for helping us love our neighbors with your acts of love and provision.

ATTENTION, PHOTOGRAPHERS!

Tab Media Ministry and the Front Office are looking for people to take photos at church events and gatherings. If you have your own camera and consider yourself proficient, we would like to put you on the list of those who could be called upon to capture the spirit of



congregational life. These photos would be for use in publications, social media, signage and other media productions. If interested please contact **Dave** at **dave.streit@tabpres.org**.

CALLING ALL COLORING EXPERTS!

Children's Ministries has been working on an interactive bulletin board down in the Lower Level B Hallway, and YOU ARE INVITED to participate (*yes adults, you too*!). We are doing a giant coloring poster based upon Psalm 25:4 which says, "Show me your ways, Lord, point out the road for me to follow." Colored pencils and crayons are available next to the bulletin board and we would love for you to stop by and add some color to our work of art.

INTERIM PASTOR UPDATE

The Interim Transition Team (ITT) has met four times in the past six weeks and with input from Session, composed a 'Ministry Discernment Profile' (MDP). The MDP is used to present the interim opportunity at Tab to potential candidates. It was approved by Session and the Committee on Ministry at the Presbytery and is now active for matching on the Church Leadership Connection of the PC(USA) website. The ITT will soon be reviewing Pastor Information Forms and hopefully interviewing potential candidates in the coming weeks. Please keep the ITT, this process and the person with whom God is calling in your prayers.

THE HISTORY OF TAB

The Tabernacle Endowment Fund has commissioned a book to be written about the history of Tab. Dr. Jason S. Lantzer, Assistant Director of the Butler University Honors Program, has been asked to complete the work on this valuable history. Here is an update from Dr. Lantzer: "Over the past year, I have been reading through a trove of documents from Tab's archives and collections. I have also started assembling a draft manuscript (which is nearly 25,000 words in length) that will eventually tell Tab's remarkable story. As this work moves along, I look forward to sharing some stories you know and perhaps some you have never heard before with the

congregation and with those who want to know more about the role Tab has planed in the spiritual life of the city."

TAB TUTORING

Tab Tutoring has started their 2023-2024 tutoring season Thursdays from 3:45-5:15p and will continue each week through the school year (observing the IPS 2023/2024 school calendar). MORE 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).

NURSERY WORKERS NEEDED

If you would love to give of your time and talents to cuddle some of Tab's most adorable babies, please contact: Jennifer Wirt (Children's Ministry Director, jennifer.wirt@tabpres.org) —or— Jenny Sturgis (Nursery Coordinator,

jenny sturgis (Nursery Coordinator, jennycsturgis@gmail.com).

CHURCH CALENDAR

If you have a new event or meeting that needs to be scheduled at Tab, please send all requests to

frontdesk@tabpres.org. If you need to check on a date or want to see what's coming soon, you can see the Tab event calendar by going to tabpres.org/ calendar/

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 at the Front Desk on Sunday morning... we might have what you are missing!

OPEN DOOR PEW CARDS

Check out the Open Door pew cards in McKee Chapel and in 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. You may drop them off in McKee Hallway on Sundays or in the Front Office during the week. Thank you for your generous gifts for our community.

This week at Tab

for the week of October 1-7 Tab's Online Calendar: tabpres.org/calendar/

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1

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 Women's COVENANT GROUP | 11a, McWRC

MONDAY, OCTOBER 2

Open Door Café | 11a, Dining RM **HR Committee MTG** | 5p, Online **Cub Scout Troop 72** | 6:45p, YR **Women's Bible Study** | 7p, Parlor

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 3

Women Alive | 10a, McWRC Bible Study Fellowship | 6:30p, Dining RM, Gallery Prayer Meeting | 6:30p, McKee Chapel Spiritual Growth & Development | 7p, Parlor

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 4

Pastors' Bible Study | 9:30a, Parlor Open Door Café | 11a, Dining RM Missions Committee MTG | 5:30p, Parlor

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 5

Tab Tutoring | 3:45p, DR, G, LLB, McWRCCircles | 6p, Dining RMGetting Ahead | 6p, McWRCSanctuary Choir Rehearsal | 7p, Choir RM

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 6

- MISSIONS TEAM LEAVE FOR ROMANIA Open Door Café | 11a, DR Circle of Hope | 3:30p, Parlor

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7

Men's Bible Study | 8a, Parlor PraiseStage Rehearsal | 9a, DR Fresh Stop Produce | 10a, Raphael Health Ctr. Don White Memorial Service | 1p, Sanctuary