



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.

Nurseries are available for infants along with programming for preschoolers.

Discipleship Classes

Current Discipleship Opportunities

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

GOD'S FOUNDATIONAL CHARACTER | January 14, 21, 28

The book of Exodus describes the foundational attributes of God in the following words: *Compassion, Grace, Slow to Anger, Loyal Love, and Faithful*. Join us as we explore these words as used throughout the Bible's story of God's gift of redemption.

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 Pastor leads 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 1 Corinthians. *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

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PRELUDE | “Toccata #5 in C Major” —Georg Muffat

The prelude music is a time of worship offering praise to God as well as giving each of us an opportunity to prepare our hearts for worship. Please use this time to pray, meditate and reflect on how God might speak to you during the service this morning.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

✝ **PASSING OF THE PEACE**

“Love Has Come” —*Bring a Torch*

*Love has come and never will leave us!
Love is life everlasting and free.
Love is Jesus within and among us.
Love is the peace our hearts are seeking.
Love! Love! Love is the gift of Christmas.
Love! Love! Praise to you, God on high!*

✝ **RESPONSIVE INVOCATION** | Rev. Terri Thorn

Leader: Creator God, you know us better than we know ourselves.
You understand our thoughts, our desires, our joys and our struggles.
You call to us, inviting us to listen to your word.
You speak your word, calling us into a deeper relationship with you.

**People: Open our hearts that we may hear you clearly.
Strengthen our spirit that we may have the courage to answer your call.
Be present in this time of worship and draw us closer to you.**

All: Amen.

✝ **HYMN #726** | “Will You Come and Follow Me” —*Kelvingrove*

ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

CALL TO CONFESSION | Rev. Jim Pfeiffer

Let us approach God with confidence, trusting in God’s grace as we humbly confess our sin.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful and faithful God, you are always calling us into your love, beckoning us to follow Christ, yet we confess that we often fill our lives with noise that obscures our ability to hear your voice. We admit that we allow urgent demands to obscure our focus, and we struggle to keep you first in our lives. The world around us sends so many bold, insistent messages that it is hard to listen to your still, small voice. We get distracted and find ourselves further and further from the abundant life you offer us. Forgive us, O God, for these and all of our sins as we confess in silence in the name of our redeemer, Jesus Christ...

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Friends, God knows the heart of those who seek forgiveness and by his grace we are saved. In Jesus’ name, our sins are no more, and through the Holy Spirit, we are strengthened with freedom to love and serve in Christ’s name. Believe this good news.

All: In Christ Jesus, we are all loved and forgiven.

Today’s Worship Participants

Rev. Terri Thorn
Associate Pastor

Rev. Jim Pfeiffer
8a Liturgist

Leah Crane
10a Liturgist

Matt Kauffman
Organist

Pavel Polanco-Safadit
Piano

Steve Dokken
Bass

Carrington Clinton
Percussion

Leah Crane
Staci McCrackin
Valerie Phelps
Vocals

✚ 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.

✚ 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

OLD TESTAMENT READING | 1 Samuel 3:1-20 (*pew Bible page 215*)

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MESSAGE | Rev. Terri Thorn

“Come and See the Greater Things of God”

A TIME OF SILENT PRAYER REFLECTION

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)

PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD’S PRAYER | Rev. Jim Pfeiffer

***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 #722 | “Lord, Speak to Me That I May Speak” —*Canonbury*

✚ BENEDICTION

✚ POSTLUDE | “Ad Mallerorum” (“To the Master”) —*Georg Muffat*

MESSAGE NOTES

Lined area for message notes, consisting of 20 horizontal lines.

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✠ OPENING SONG | “What a Beautiful Name” —Ben Fielding & Brooke Ligertwood

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✚ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (From "A Brief Statement of Faith")

Leader: Let us join together as we confess that which we believe:

All: We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba, Father.

***In sovereign love God created the world good
and makes everyone equally in God's image,
male and female, of every race and people,
to live as one community.***

***But we rebel against God; we hide from our Creator.
Ignoring God's commandments,
we violate the image of God in others and ourselves,
accept lies as truth, exploit neighbor and nature,
and threaten death to the planet entrusted to our care.
We deserve God's condemnation.***

Yet God acts with justice and mercy to redeem creation.

***In everlasting love,
the God of Abraham and Sarah chose a covenant people
to bless all families of the earth.***

***Hearing their cry,
God delivered the children of Israel
from the house of bondage.***

***Loving us still,
God makes us heirs with Christ of the covenant.***

***Like a mother who will not forsake her nursing child,
like a father who runs to welcome the prodigal home,
God is faithful still.***

SPECIAL MUSIC | "Center of My Joy" —Richard Smallwood

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✚ CLOSING SONG | "This Little Light of Mine"

✚ BENEDICTION

✚ POSTLUDE

WAYS TO GIVE AT TAB

God provides for the ministry of Tab through your generosity. We honor all gifts with faithful stewardship, ethical business practices, and full accountability so that the financial integrity of our mission remains above reproach. Your gift(s) to support this ministry financially enables us to reach the local community and the world for Jesus!

•Join us on a Sunday morning and place your gift in the offering boxes available at the 34th Street Narthex and Bell Tower Entrances to the Sanctuary.

•Mail in your gift to the church at 418 E. 34th St., Indianapolis, IN 46205 (ATTN: Finance Director).

•Text TABPRES to 73256.

•Scan the QR Code below.



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. If you or someone you know is in need, please reach out to 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, please call the **Community Care line at 317-805-1281** for an appointment.

Service for Ordination and Installation at Tab

2024

ELDER

ORDINATION & INSTALLATION

Pat Carlson
Bernice Corley
Ryan Miller
Byron Robinson

INSTALLATION

Jeff Poole

DEACON

ORDINATION & INSTALLATION

Margie Craft
Caroline Foster
Karen Murrell
Sharon Poole
Julie Simmons
Sue White

INSTALLATION

Karlee Moore
Marsha Robinson
Liz Strodtman

PASTOR:

Though we have different gifts, together we are a ministry of reconciliation led by the risen Christ. We work and pray to make his church useful in the world, and we call men and women to faith so that, in the end, every knee shall bow and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Within our common ministry, some members are chosen for particular work as Teaching Elders, Ruling Elders, or Deacons. In ordination, we recognize these special ministries, remembering that our Lord Jesus said: *"Whoever among you wants to be great must become the servant of all, and those who want to be first among you, must be the slave of all!"*

Constitutional Questions to Church Officers

Do you trust in Jesus Christ your Savior, acknowledge him Lord of all and head of the church, and through him believe in one God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit?

I do.

Do you accept the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be, by the Holy Spirit, the unique and authoritative witness to Jesus Christ in the church universal, and God's Word to you?

I do.

Do you sincerely receive and adopt the essential tenets of the Reformed faith as expressed in the confessions of our church as authentic and reliable expositions of what Scripture leads us to believe and do, and will you be instructed and led by those confessions as you lead the people of God?

I do.

Will you fulfill your ministry in obedience to Jesus Christ, under the authority of Scripture, and be continually guided by our confessions?

I will.

Will you be governed by our church's polity, and will you abide by its discipline? Will you be a friend among your colleagues in ministry, working with them, subject to the ordering of God's Word and Spirit?

I will.

Will you in your own life seek to follow the Lord Jesus Christ, love your neighbors and work for the reconciliation of the world?

I will.

Do you promise to further the peace, unity and purity of the church?

I do.

Will you pray for and seek to serve the people with energy, intelligence, imagination and love?

I will.

(For Ruling Elder)

Will you be a faithful elder, watching over the people, providing for their worship, nurture and service? Will you share in government and discipline, serving in councils of the church, and, in your ministry, will you try to show the love and justice of Jesus Christ?

I will.

(For Deacon)

Will you be a faithful deacon, teaching charity, urging concern, and directing the people's help to the friendless and those in need? In your ministry will you try to show the love and justice of Jesus Christ?

I will.

Unison Prayer

Almighty God, in every age you have chosen individuals to speak your Word and lead your loyal people. We thank you for these men and women whom you have called to serve you. Give them special gifts to do this special work; and fill them with the Holy Spirit, so they may have the same mind that was in Christ Jesus, and be faithful disciples as long as they shall live. In Christ's name we pray, Amen.

PASTOR:

You are now Elders and Deacons in the church. Whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him. Amen.

Welcome to the ministry!

ANNOUNCEMENTS & EVENTS

NEW CIRCLE, PHILLIPS TEMPLE, AND TAB INVITE YOU TO...

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR CELEBRATION

JANUARY 15
11:00 AM - 1:00 PM

WORSHIP | LUNCH | FELLOWSHIP

HOSTED BY PHILLIPS TEMPLE | 210 E 34TH ST.



MLK HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS

The Church Office is closed, **MON, JAN 15**, in observance of the Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday. Normal office hours resume on Tuesday at 8:30a.

MISSIONS UNIT WEEKLY UPDATE

This week Tab's elementary students will visit **Scotland**, where we will learn to say a few words in Scottish Gaelic, learn how to play "Bools," the Scottish version of marbles, decipher a code called "Noughts and Crosses," learn about the legend of the Loch Ness Monster and make an origami version of Nessie, make family crests and working kaleidoscopes at the craft center, play traditional Scottish games, Forceball and Golf in the Gym, and taste "Mince and Tatties," traditional cream scones, and for our more adventurous students, Haggis at the Food Center. Fun facts about Scotland: the sport of golf was invented in Scotland. Also, more than half of adults in Scotland say they still believe in the "Fae" (we call them fairies).

WELCOME REV. DR. BILL SMUTZ

Rev. Dr. Bill Smutz, the new Interim Senior Pastor, begins his first day on **TUE, JAN 16**, and will be in Tab's pulpit at both the **8a and 10a services on SUN, JAN 21**, with a meet and greet reception in the Dining Room immediately following the 10a service. We hope you will plan to come out and welcome him!

2024 Theme:
**Dr. King's
Six Principles
of Non-Violence**

Speakers:
**Peris Lester,
Terri Thorn,
and Barry Rager**

Participants will include members from all three sponsoring congregations.

PRETEEN LUNCH & A MOVIE

MON, JAN 15, 11:30a. 5th & 6th graders are invited to the annual MLK Day "**Lunch & A Movie**" outing. We will have lunch at Culvers and then see a movie at either the Glendale Landmark or AMC Castleton theaters. RSVP to jennifer.wirt@tabpres.org.

PARENTS NIGHT OUT

Children's Ministries is hosting a Parents Night Out on **FRI, JAN 19, from 6p-8:30p in LLB** for Tab infants, toddlers, preschoolers, and elementary students. There will be games, you can make a snack, do a craft, and watch a family-friendly movie (with popcorn, of course!). Separate childcare is available for children ages four and younger. There is no fee and registration is not required, but please feed your child dinner before you arrive. Questions? Email jennifer.wirt@tabpres.org

CAMP PYOCA 2024 REGISTRATION

Parents can now register their children for summer camps at Pyoca, our presbytery's camp and conference center. If your child would like to go, Children's Ministries will pay half of the cost for one week of camp for each "Tab kid" who registers. Spots in the various camps are filling up quickly, especially for the elementary programs, so sign up today! The link for Pyoca summer camp information and registration is https://pyoca.org/summer_camp/. Please contact Jennifer Wirt if you have any questions.

This week at Tab

for the week of January 14-20

For a list of all activities, please visit:
tabpres.org/calendar/

SUN, JAN 14

—**Tab Officer Installation & Ordination** | both SVCS
Communion Service | 8a, McKee Chapel
Coffee & Fellowship | 8:45a, McKee Hallway
SG&D's God's Foundational Character | 9a, Parlor
Youth Education | 9a, Youth RM
Missions Unit | 9a, LLB
Worship Service | 10a, Sanctuary
Coffee & Conversation | 11a, Parlor
IMPACT Youth Group | 11a, YR

MON, JAN 15—Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

MLK Community Service & Luncheon | 11a, Offsite
Preteen Lunch & A Movie | 11:30a, Offsite

TUE, JAN 16

Women Alive | 10a, Parlor
Recreation 100th CMTE MTG | 10a, McWRC
Elder Worship Communion Training | 6p, Sanctuary
Prayer Meeting | 6:30p, McKee Chapel
Bible Study Fellowship (BSF) | 6:30p, DR, G
Session MTG | 7p, Parlor

WED, JAN 17

Pastors' Bible Study | 9:30a, Parlor
Open Door Café | 11a, Dining RM
Recreation MTG | 6p, McWRC
Moms of Tab | 6:30p, Youth RM; Childcare in 2s RM

THU, JAN 18

Tab Tutoring | 3:45p, DR, G, LLA, LLB, McWRC
Handbell Choir Rehearsal | 6p, Sanctuary
Getting Ahead | 6p, McWRC
Circles | 6p, Dining RM, LLB
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal | 7p, Parlor

FRI, JAN 19

Open Door Café | 11a, Dining RM
Circle of Hope | 3:30p, Parlor
Parents' Night Out | 6p, LLB

SAT, JAN 20

Men's Bible Study | 9a, Parlor
PraiseStage Board MTG | 10a, McWRC