

TABERNACLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

TOWER CHIMES



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TAB

Tabernacle Presbyterian Church

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.

IN-PERSON SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

8:00 AM | COMMUNION SERVICE
McKee Chapel

10:00 AM | WORSHIP SERVICE*
Sanctuary

** This service is live-streamed each Sunday beginning around 9:50 AM.*

You can find a link at tabpres.org.

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Tab's TOWER CHIMES

This monthly newsletter is also available for viewing on the church website at:
www.tabpres.org


All submissions for the monthly newsletter should be emailed to frontdesk@tabpres.org no later than the 15th of each month for appearance in the upcoming month's Tower Chimes.

February Event Schedule

For a more detailed list of events and meetings, please visit:
tabpres.org/calendar/

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

4	9a	ANNUAL MEETING
	11a	YOUTH CONFIRMATION INFO MTG
5	4:30p	ENDOWMENT INVESTMENT CMTE MTG
12	4:30p	ENDOWMENT TRUSTEES MTG
14	ALL DAY	ASH WEDNESDAY
	7p	Ash Wednesday Service
20	10a	TAB REC 100TH COMMITTEE MTG
	NOON-2p	PRETEEN LUNCH & A MOVIE



ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE

WED, February 14 | 7p
McKee Chapel

Join us for our observance of Ash Wednesday at a special service that marks the beginning of the Lenten Season, which will end with a Resurrection Sunday Celebration Service on March 31.



Tab Financial Report

DEC 2023

	PLAN	ACTUAL	DIFFERENCE
YTD Income	\$ 2,364,280	\$ 2,389,419	\$ 25,139
YTD Expense	\$ 2,364,280	\$ 2,387,273	\$ -22,993
Difference	\$ 0	\$ 2,146	\$ 2,146

Questions? Contact Kristine at ext. 111 / kristine.green@tabpres.org.

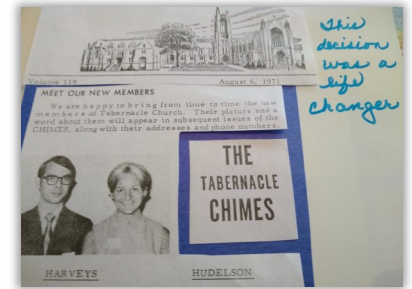


Let's Meet Ron & Jane Harvey

Tab Member Spotlight

by Maya Wagle

If you walk into Tab and see a couple holding hands like teenagers, you can safely assume it is Jane and Ron Harvey. This closeness is heaven made: both were born in 1942; Ron on December 6 in Galesburg, IL and Jane on December 16 in Martinsville, IN. They met at Purdue in 1962: Ron studied Industrial Engineering while Jane studied Early Childhood Development. Their first date? The fraternity Christmas party. Second date? Attending church! Tying the knot in 1964, they lived in married student housing until their first daughter, Shannon, was born in 1965. After graduation, they moved to Massachusetts. In 1966, when Ron accepted a post at RCA, they moved to Indianapolis, where their second daughter, Sarah, was born.



Both of them grew up in "Christian" homes i.e. The Weekend Christian, church at Easter and Christmas, lacking a knowledge of the Bible. Unbeknownst to them, Jeremiah 29:11-13 was in play. *The Lord had plans to prosper them and to give them a hope and a future.* The pivotal moment? Encountering Joan King, a Tab member and a teacher at the John Knox Presbyterian Church, Shannon and Sarah's preschool. To satisfy Joan's persistent invitations, Jane and Ron visited Tab one Sunday. That was in March 1971. They became members in August 1972 (photo depicted in Chimes that year). After Ron received his MBA from Butler in 1971, they moved to the Meridian Kessler neighborhood, into the very home currently occupied by Tab members, Cathleen and David Perry.

Joining a group of young married couples called "The Mariners," they made many life-long friends. Their Tab friends, as well as Joan and Mac King, Byron Crozier and John Gable's sermons, as well as John's Bible study are the cobblestones to cementing their faith. After a "sabbatical" from Tab for several years, they were welcomed with open arms upon their return in 2018.

They have served on various Tab committees; Ron was a deacon, Jane taught Sunday School and served as an elder/trustee. Other responsibilities have included tutoring, Men's Covenant Group (Ron) and the Open Door Café.

Retiring from RCA, Ron owned two businesses before retiring in 2013. Jane taught preschool for 20 years (when she replaced Joan King, on her retirement from John Knox). She then taught kindergarten for 15 years. Over those 35 years, many Tab children were under her tutelage.

In retirement, with a goal of visiting all 64 national parks, they have been to 33 parks; visited 49/50 states and traveled the world. Bicycling, golf (Ron), scrapbooking (Jane), two beautiful daughters, two sons-in-law and four grandchildren keep them quite busy.

Ron's anchor verse is Proverbs 3:4-6 while Jane leans on Philippians 4:13. Paraphrased, both scriptures point to their trust in Jesus and His sovereignty in their lives. Christ is the Superglue that keeps them holding hands. ✝

Photos top to bottom: 2022 Tab Directory Photo; Ron and Jane as children; a photo of them on their first date; both of them on their wedding day; and pictured with their grown daughters, Shannon and Sarah. Top Right: 1971 Chimes newsletter announcement introducing them as new members at Tab;



Tab Recreation: 1940s, the War Years

100 Years of Outstretched Arms Into the Community

by John Byers



This article, and others to come throughout the year, will take a peek by decades at what was going on in the nation; in entertainment; in the world of sports; and highlights about “Tab’s outstretched arm into the community” as former pastor James Martin was fond of referring to Tab Recreation.

Japan’s surprise bombing of Pearl Harbor on December 6, 1941 prompted the United States to enter World War II. Young men went off to serve in the military, and women went to work in factories. The fighting in Europe and the South Pacific was fierce, eventually claiming the lives of 60-80 million people, about 3% of the world’s population. Besides war combatants, many of the casualties were civilians. D-Day, June 6, 1944 was the turning point in the war, with Allied troops storming the beaches of Normandy, liberating France and concentration camps in their march toward Germany. The war was over in Europe on May 8, 1945 with the surrender of Germany. On August 15, Japan surrendered to the Allies following the atomic bombing of Hiroshima and Nagasaki. An economic boom, fueled by innovation and technology followed the war for many, but not all, in America. It was a decade that in many ways shaped the world as we know it today.

In entertainment, the 1940’s saw television advance rapidly and become a staple in American homes. On February 2, 1940, Frank Sinatra’s singing debut with the Tommy Dorsey Orchestra took place at the Lyric Theater in Indianapolis. Bing Crosby’s, “White Christmas,” was first broadcast publicly on Christmas Eve 1941. Ronald Reagan starred in “Knut Rockne, All



1941 - Property west of church purchased for Recreation Field

PICTURED LEFT: (from top) LeRoy Allen, and two boys in the Rec office; Tab Rec basketball team; Tab pictured facing East of the property purchased for the Recreation Field.



American." "The Best Years of our Lives" won the Oscar for best film of the year in 1946, and Ed Sullivan introduced his first "Really Big Show" in 1948.

In sports, Wilbur Shaw won his fourth Indianapolis 500 in 1940. The Indianapolis Clowns, Negro League baseball team, moved to Indianapolis; Jackie Robinson signed with the Brooklyn Dodgers; and Eddie Arcaro won the Kentucky Derby, all in 1945. John Wooden coached basketball at Indiana State Teacher's College in 1946. London hosted the Summer Olympics in 1948, and Joe Louis retired from boxing in 1949.

At Tab recreation, LeRoy Allen became the second program director in 1940, succeeding James Martin.

Tabernacle Presbyterian Church purchased the property west of the Gym wing for an athletic field in 1941. Tab teams continued to play teams from other organizations in basketball and football, collecting champion trophies and a growing reputation from many tournaments.

As the decade closed, America and Tab Recreation had grown significantly in influence, strength and leadership. †



PICTURED (top to bottom): a football game pictured on Tab's field, 1949; the Indianapolis Clowns in 1947; Ronald Reagan as George Gipp in Knute Rockne, 1946; Jackie Robinson in 1945, signing contract with Brooklyn Dodgers; Bud Cleveland, age 26 in 1940; Frank Sinatra debuts in Indianapolis with Tommy Dorsey; Natalie Wood and Edmund Gwenn in Miracle on 34th Street in 1947.



Remembering the Life and Times of My Father

Charles T. Amos (1900-1981)

by Carolyn Amos Morris

Charles T. Amos, Sr. was born July 29, 1900 in Earlington Kentucky to the Rev. Harrison and Elizabeth Bailey Amos. He moved to Indianapolis in 1934 where he met and married Nettie O. Richardson from Huntsville, Alabama on September 17, 1937. A marriage of almost 40 years lasted until her death in October 1976. They had two children; Charles T. Jr. and Tab's own, Carolyn Oneita Amos Morris.

**BLACK
HISTORY
MONTH**

As we celebrate Black History Month, we are highlighting one of the most influential musicians of the early 20th Century in Indianapolis.

Mr. Charles T. Amos, father of Tab's Carolyn Amos Morris, was a performer, conductor, piano and voice teacher that brought new light through classical music to the Black musical community and audiences in Indianapolis. His influence has continued to impact the musical lives of the Indianapolis community through his early work with area musicians. We are eternally grateful for his contribution to the life and musical growth in our city.



These photographs and recollections are compiled by Mrs. Carolyn Amos Morris, who is active in the life of Tab alongside her husband, Nickey, and son, Brian.

She extends her appreciation to Matt Kauffman, Nancy Gordon, Jasmine Morris, Nickey Morris, Dave Streit, Jeff Poole and Doug Moeller for their encouragement in developing this recollection.

Mr. Amos had a great love of classical, secular and spiritual music. He studied piano and voice at the Fitzhugh-Valentine School of Music, the first music school for “colored” people in the State of Indiana. Charles was one of Mary Fitzhugh’s students who went on to have a distinguished career after completing several years of training. He additionally studied at IU’s Jacobs School of Music in Bloomington. He began his journey as a teacher at the Fitzhugh-Valentine School and then went on to create his own studio under the name of The Charles T. Amos Music Studio. This career and love of music took him on a path that began at the first family home on the southwest corner of Michigan and Douglas Streets, now part of Indiana University-Indianapolis Campus.

He worked full-time at the Link-Belt (now FMC) Corporation where he established a men’s glee club. He also founded and directed the Bel-Canto Ensemble; both of which provided musical performances throughout Indiana. The Bel-Canto Ensemble performed for over 34 years. Their recitals included works by Schubert, Handel, Mozart as well as spiritual offerings by H.T. Burleigh and R. Nathaniel Dett. During this time, he additionally was President of the Indianapolis Music Promoters, the Indiana State Association of Negro Musicians, and President of the Broad Ripple Kiwanis. He further served as a Trustee and Elder at Witherspoon Presbyterian Church, Commissioner to the Presbyterian Synod of Lincoln Trails Indiana, the Executive Council of the Indianapolis Presbytery, and the first Black to hold the office of Executive President of the United Presbyterian Men’s Council.

Though he was busy, he *always* made time for family. He was a great cook. Carolyn remembers her Dad’s home-made biscuits and gravy with eggs and sometimes fried chicken before church. After a move from Douglas to Graceland, he nurtured rose bushes, canna lilies and orange poppies which added a splash of color early in the year. There was also a rock garden of plants which encircled their fish pond which was filled with goldfish and water lilies. Outside the back door he had a stance of mint that he would always have Carolyn gather for his ice tea in the summer months.



Mr. Charles T. Amos lived a life filled with service, music and family having lived 61 years in Indianapolis.

He passed on Thanksgiving Day in 1981 at the age of 81. His legacy continues to live on, and you can see Carolyn singing on Sunday mornings with Tab’s Sanctuary Choir. Thanks be to God for this life well-lived and dedicated to the service of all and to his Lord! ☩



Lenten Season Study Series

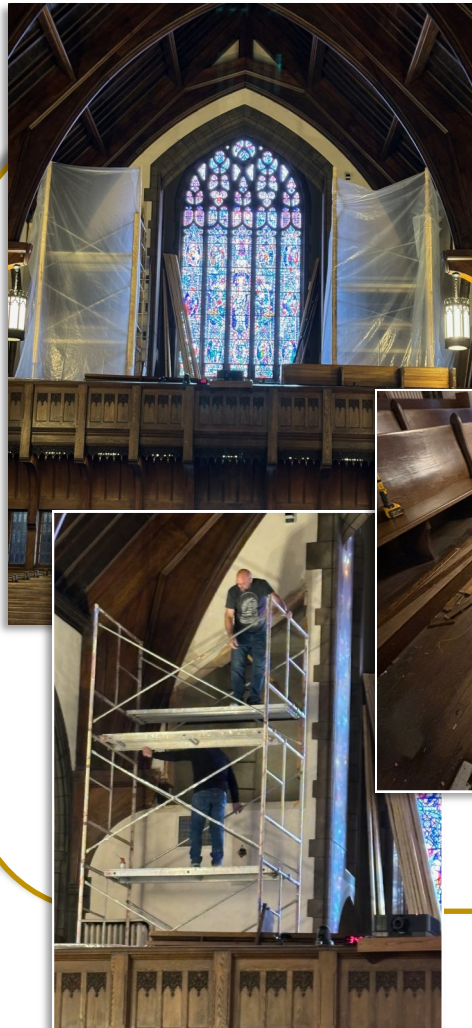
Spiritual Growth & Development

Spiritual Growth & Development has provided two choices for you this year for our Lenten all-church read devotionals.

- 1) **"Good Enough: 40ish Devotionals For A Life Of Imperfection,"** co-written by New York Time's best-selling author, *Kate Bowler*. This book is described as reflections on how truth, beauty, and meaning can be discovered amid the chaos of life.
- 2) **"Because of This I Rejoice,"** by best-selling author, *Max O. Vincent*, a series of "joyful" meditations through readings from the book of Philippians.

We are also encouraging everyone to consider adding **"The Art Of Lent: A Painting a day from Ash Wednesday to Easter"** by *Sister Wendy Beckett* in combination with either of the first two books.

Each of these books will be on display in McKee Hallway where you will also have the opportunity to sign up for Fellowship Gatherings meeting during the week and on Sunday mornings. **Come join us as we prepare ourselves for the Easter joy of the risen Christ!**



Organ Renovation Update

by Matt Kauffman

The Sanctuary organ project is well underway with structural changes being made in the back balcony and blower racks being built behind the Dining Room stage. Steel framing and supports will replace the wooden supports currently in place on the east wall and a new opening with steel supports will be readied on the west wall. Two pews have been removed and the flooring adjusted to accommodate the new console that will be installed. These changes should be completed soon as we prepare for reinstallation of our pipes on the east wall of the balcony, and the installation of new pipes and console on the west side of the balcony.

If you have any questions about the project, please contact **Matt Kauffman** at x102 or matt.kauffman@tabpres.org. †



YOU CAN STILL REGISTER FOR SUMMER CAMP!

Registration is now open parents to sign their kids up for 2024 summer camp at Pyoca, our presbytery's camp and conference center. If your child would like to go, Tab's Children's Ministry will pay half of the cost for one week of camp for each "Tab kid" who registers.

Spots are filling up quickly, especially for the elementary programs, so sign up today!

For more information and to register, go to pyoca.org/summer_camp/, or contact Mrs. Wirt with any questions.

PRESIDENT'S DAY

LUNCH AND A MOVIE

MON, FEB 20 | NOON—2

All Tab elementary students are invited to participate in our annual "lunch and a movie" get-together. We will meet at noon in Lower Level B to have lunch and then we will play some games and watch a family-friendly movie (with popcorn, of course!) until 2:30p.



BIBLE MEMORY VERSE CHAMPIONS

The following students memorized and recited at least 11 Bible passages during the fall semester, earning a spot on our upcoming Mystery Night outing:

*Liam Barnett, Morgan Barnett, Dromo Darku,
Rachel McClelland, and Yamila Williams.*

Congratulations to these young Bible scholars!



KIDS GAMES

2024 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

June 17-21 | 9:00a—1:30p

The Children's Ministries and Tab Recreation are once again joining forces to host **KIDS GAMES** as our 2024 Vacation Bible School (VBS). **KIDS GAMES** includes sports, games, Bible lessons, crafts, music and snacks. This VBS is open to all students who have completed Kindergarten through 6th grade.

There is no fee, but pre-registration is required so we can plan for supplies, snacks and volunteers.

Registration via a link on the Tab website begins late February.

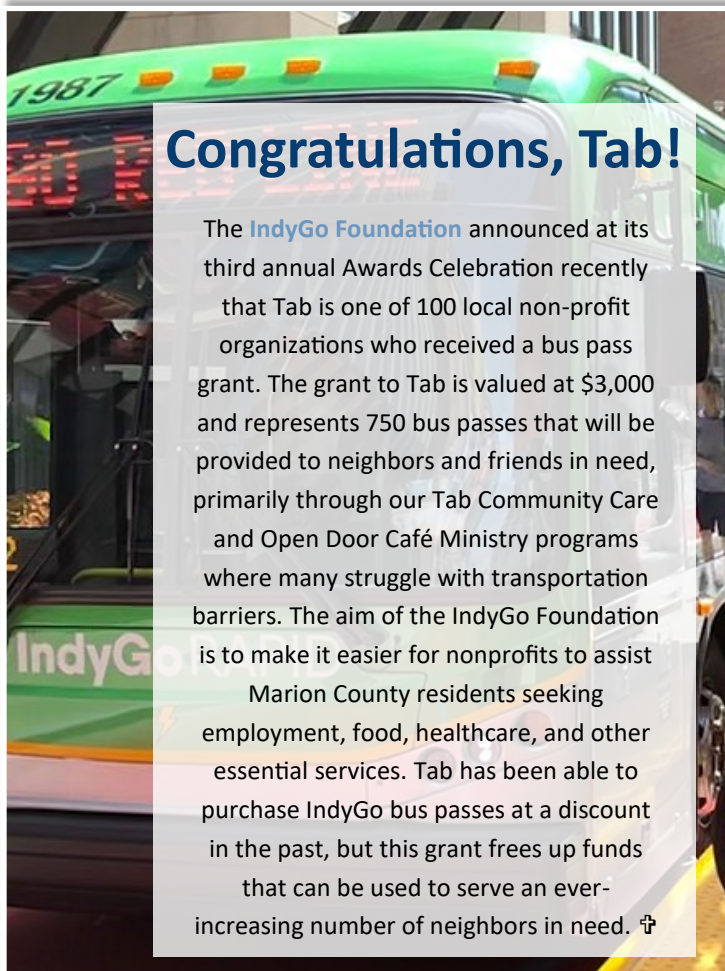


Welcome, Dr. Bill Smutz!

Tab's New Interim Senior Pastor

The Rev. Dr. Bill Smutz, has been an ordained Presbyterian pastor for over thirty-five years. A native of the St. Louis area (Webster Groves), his academic background includes a B.A. in Economics & Business from Westminster College (Fulton, MO), a Master of Divinity from Princeton Theological Seminary, and a Doctor of Ministry from Eden Theological Seminary. Bill has served churches in Ohio, Missouri, Wisconsin, Kansas, and Indiana. Most recently he has served as the interim pastor/head of staff at First Presbyterian Church of Kirkwood, Missouri. Bill and his wife, Gina, have three adult sons, and are grandparents of Taylor, George, Maggie, Violet, Arthur & Will! Bill enjoys reading – mysteries, architecture, British history; and is a music lover, apple grower, stamp collector, and frustrated model railroader. He trusts that there will always be a Church of Jesus Christ, but believes the Holy Spirit is presently shaping the church in new and different ways for God's future!

Bill is excited to be a temporary member of the Tab Community. He is looking forward to his work with Session and the staff team, as well as engaging with the entire congregation in getting ready for Tab's next called/installed pastor. ✝



CALL FOR ANNUAL MEETING

In accordance with the By-laws, the Annual Meeting of the Congregation of Tabernacle Presbyterian Church is hereby called for **SUN, FEB 4, 2024 at 9a** for the purpose of: reviewing the Annual Report, receiving the approved Operating Budget for 2024, acting on the Associate Pastor Terms of Call, and any other business that may be properly discussed.

The Meeting will be held in the Sanctuary and all members are encouraged to attend.

Rev. Dr. William Smutz, Moderator
Sharon Marshall, Clerk of Session

Printed copies of the Annual Report are available at the meeting or online at **tabpres.org**.

Tab Family

Anniversaries, Baptisms, Births, Birthdays, and Deaths

February BIRTHDAYS

(Alphabetical by last name)

Marina **ALLEN**, Karen **AMSTUTZ**, Naa **ASARE**,
Jim **BABCOCK**, Betty **BARKER**, Charlett **BELISLE**,
Maggie **BIRK**, Constance **BROWN**,
Virginia **BROWNING**, Lillian **CHASTAIN**,
Sandra **CHENEY**, Kyle **COSTLOW**,
Linda **COSTLOW**, Karis **CRANE**,
Deborah **DANIELS-MANNWEILER**,
Chloe **DEMERE**, Evan **DIETERICH**,
Frances **FARTHING**, Caroline **FOSTER**,
Kat **GERING-WILLIAMS**, Nancy **GORDON**,
Donna **HANKINS**, Larry **HANLON**,
Heidi **HARMLESS**, Stephanie **HARMLESS**,
Connie **HINTZ**, Dave **KING**, Eric **KING**,
Christie **KUPKE**, John **KUPKE**, Brendy **LANGE**,
Sandy **LOPER**, Grayson **LUZADOR**,
Piper **McFARLEN**, Tim **MEILS**, Theodore **MILLER**,
Ryan **MOORE**, Dash **MOUDY**, Michael **NEELY**,
Colin **O'BANYEL**, Robert **ORR**, Kenny **PHELPS**,
Drew **PIKE**, Billie **PORTER**, Sheila **RUEGSEGGER**,
Honi-Jean **SHROEDER**, Dan **SCHROEDER**,
Anna **SCHUBERT**, Tom **SIMPSON**, Jay **STEGER**,
Fred **SULLIVAN**, Brenda **SWEENEY**,
Annie **THOMPSON**, Avery **THOMPSON**,
Mateo **URFALIAN**, Linda **WATKINS**, Ethan **WEBB**,
Soraya **WEBB**, Jennifer **WEYRETER**,
Christopher **WHALEY**, Susan **WHITE**,
Jennifer **WIRT**.

ANNIVERSARIES

(Alphabetical by last name)

Gary & Judy **DAYMON**
Scott & Brenda **LUMMIS**
Bob & Suzanne **SHAW**

PLEASE NOTE:

To make identity theft/hacking less of a possibility, beginning with this month, the Chimes will only include the names of those who have a birthday or anniversary, but will not list the day or year.

Questions? Please contact Interim Senior Pastor,
Bill Smutz at bill.smutz@tabpres.org.

DEATH 1.14 | FRAN BELL
(mother of Beth Ahearn)

BIRTHS 11.2.23 | EMILIA SUZANNE FLICK
*(daughter of Ryan & Ashley Flick;
granddaughter of Chris Iverson)*

12.5.23 | REAGAN HARPER PERRY
*(daughter of Brian & Katie Perry;
granddaughter of David & Cathleen Perry;
sister to Peyton, Emery and Sawyer)*

12.25.23 | MARGARET CATHERINE LUZADER
*(daughter of Phillip & Mary Luzader;
granddaughter of Kevin & Paula Luzader
and Thomas & Jennifer Wirt)*

12.27.23 | BLAKE BURLISON
*(son of Steve & Julia Morton Burlison;
grandson of Blake & Jeanne Morton)*

1.1 | MAKAYLA MICHELLE BUCHANAN
*(daughter of Jennifer Buchanan Schwanke;
granddaughter of Michael Schwanke and Beth Buchanan)*

1.18 | ANDREW THOMAS BERRY
*(son of Jon Glasscock & Melissa Berry;
grandson of Gene & Carolee Berry)*

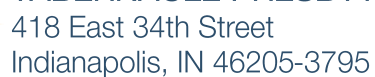
1.19 | TIMOTHY JAMES PFEIFFER
*(son of Luke & Emily Pfeiffer;
great-grandson of Jim & Robin Pfeiffer)*



CONFIRMATION CLASSES

Starting in February, confirmation classes will be offered for 9th-12th grade students.

The class will consist of approximately twelve meetings between February and May 2024. Most meetings will occur after youth group on Sunday afternoons. Dan Rexroth will host a short informational meeting at **11a on SUN, February 4**, in McKee Chapel. Interested youth and their parents are welcome.



Cost for each is \$30.

Please return this form to the Front Office no later than **SUN, March 24.**
Include your check to Tabernacle Presbyterian Church with "Easter Flowers" in the memo line.