



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.



JOIN US FOR ASH WEDNESDAY AT TAB!

WED, FEB 14 | TWO OPTIONS AVAILABLE

With Ash Wednesday and Valentine's Day occurring simultaneously, February 14 is complicated at best! If you'd like to receive the mark of ashes as the journey of Lent begins, but cannot make the 7p evening service, consider Tab's "Drive-Thru" ash option.

From 4:30-5:15p, Interim Pastor Bill Smutz will offer ashes under the porte-cochère in the Tab parking lot. Driving through will get you in and out and on the way to Jerusalem with Jesus!

Then at 7p in McKee Chapel, experience Tab's Ash Wednesday worship service with prayer, scripture, and imposition of ashes as we commence the Lenten season. Live streaming will be available!

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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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.

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 | "Ubi Caritas" —Jeanne Demessieux

*Where charity and love are, God is there.
Love of Christ has gathered us into one.
Let us rejoice in Him and be glad.*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

✝ PASSING OF THE PEACE | "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise" —St. Denio

*Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
in light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.*

✝ CALL TO WORSHIP | Dr. Bill Smutz

Leader: Let us listen up!

People: Let us pay attention!

Leader: Everyone... from highest to lowest,

People: The proud and humble together,

Leader: Those of long faith,

People: And those whose faith journey has just begun.

Leader: Let us tune our ears,

People: Let us prepare our hearts,

Leader: To hear and experience Good news.

All: Jesus Christ is revealed in worship!

✝ HYMN #1 | "Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!" —Nicaea

CALL TO CONFESSION | Rev. Terri Thorn

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

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

All: Loving God, we have given more weight to our successes and our happiness than to your will. We have eaten without thought for the hungry. We have spoken without an effort to understand others. We have kept silence instead of telling the truth. We have been slow to love our neighbors. Forgive us we pray and be not done with us. For our desire is to be faithful disciples of Jesus, and even when we do not live up to his expectations, we trust the compassion and grace you give us in him . . .

Today's Worship Participants

Rev. Dr. Bill Smutz
Interim Senior Pastor

Rev. Terri Thorn
Associate Pastor

Matt Kauffman
Organist

Pavel Polanco-Safadit
Piano

Steve Dokken
Bass

Rob Dixon
Sax

Carrington Clinton
Percussion

Leah Crane
Staci McCrackin
Valerie Phelps
Vocals

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

✚ **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.

✚ **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

Leader: Let us together state some of that which we believe:

All: We believe in the God of all creation, who calls every being into life, who is mindful of humankind in all its diversity, who embodies us with dignity, granting us different gifts and talents to shape life in this world, who gifts us with the uniting power of the Holy Spirit. This Spirit unites us in the face of conflicts, hatred, and all violation of life. This Spirit unites us wherever fear prevents us from caring for our neighbor and whenever we are tempted to disrespect those who differ from us. Through the reconciling love of Jesus, our God forever shows us how to overcome the darkness of our divisions and live in the light of peace. Amen!

OLD TESTAMENT READING | Ezekiel 16:42-43, 59-61a (*pew Bible page 683*)

GOSPEL READING | Mark 11:15-19 (*pew Bible page 824*)

MESSAGE — “Returning From Anger” | Dr. Bill Smutz

A TIME OF SILENT PRAYER AND REFLECTION

SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION (*please join in singing*)

“Let us Break Bread Together”

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

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 #169** | “Dear Lord and Father of Mankind” —Rest

✚ **BENEDICTION**

✚ **POSTLUDE** | “Rondeau No. 1 in F Major” —David Lasky

✚ *Please stand in body or spirit.*

MESSAGE NOTES

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The easiest and most effective way to receive news about our church and church family is to subscribe to our emails.

We send out a digest every Friday, 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.”

10 o'clock Worship

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SPECIAL MUSIC | "I Need You Now"

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RESPONSE | "Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus"

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✝ POSTLUDE

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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.



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.

Discipleship Classes

Current Discipleship Opportunities

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

AN INTRODUCTORY WALK THROUGH THE LENTEN SEASON | February 11

In preparation for our All-Church Lenten Read, we will meet to learn about and share our experiences of the origin and meaning of the Lenten Season, including Ash Wednesday, Palm Sunday, The Seven Last Words Tenebrae Service, and The Three Days (Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and The Great Vigil of Easter) all leading to the Easter morning celebration: He is Risen! We will also watch and discuss a heart warming video from a portion of a Great Easter Vigil Service featuring the Sacrament of Baptism. You are invited to come and participate, whether Lent is a relatively new part of your faith journey or as a refresher for those who have rich memories of this time of personal and communal introspection on the life, death, and resurrection of our Lord and Savior. All are welcome!

LENTEN ALL-CHURCH READ | February 14-March 24

There are two Lenten series devotionals to choose from: **"Good Enough—40ish Devotionals for a Life of Imperfection,"** and **"Because of This I Rejoice — Reading Philippians During Lent."** As an add-on, everyone is encouraged to consider adding **"The Art of Lent: A Painting A Day from Ash Wednesday to Easter"** in combination with either of the first two books. Books are available at a table in McKee Hallway each Sunday where you can also sign up to join one of the Fellowship Gatherings.

PARISHIONERS WITHOUT PARTNERS (*Women's Covenant Group*)

4th SUNDAY, 11a | McWRC/Parlor

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'S MONDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY

MONDAYS 7p-8:30p (*Now through March 25*) | PARLOR or ONLINE (ZOOM)

Bad Girls of the Bible: And What We Can Learn From Them.

Questions? Email Ruth Miller at mrs.ruth.h.miller@gmail.com.

WOMEN ALIVE | TUESDAYS 10a-11:30a (*Will resume 10a start time 2/13*) | 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 each week 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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & UPCOMING EVENTS

MISSIONS UNIT WEEKLY UPDATE

("Missions Unit" is Tab's Sunday school replacement for elementary-aged students to learn about the geography, culture, and Christian missions in other countries.) **This week, Tab's elementary students will visit Brazil.** While we are there, we will learn a few words and phrases in Portuguese, create pan flutes at the International Challenge, make (and taste!) a chocolate treat called "Brigadieros," play "Chicken Fight" and have a soccer relay in the Gym, try our hands at a traditional Brazilian table game called "Coyote and Chickens" at the Game Center, create wooden snakes and make cupcake liner parrots at the craft tables, play a matching game about some of the more than 4 million (!) animals of the Amazon, and taste Pao de Queijo (cheese bread) and Feijoada (the national dish of Brazil) in the Food Center. **FUN FACTS ABOUT BRAZIL:** Brazil has won the soccer World Cup five times, more than any other country. Also, Brazil has the largest number of native Japanese people outside of Japan itself.

PRETEEN LUNCH & A MOVIE

MON, FEB 19 | NOON—2p

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!). *Questions?* Contact Mrs. Wirt at jennifer.wirt@tabpres.org.

DEACONS CHILI COOKOFF

SUN, MAR 17 | 11a | Dining Room

Get ready to spice up your St. Patrick's Day with the Deacons' Chili Cookoff! This is a chance to enter your best chili recipe to tantalize everyone's tastebuds! Don't have a recipe to enter? *No problem!* Come taste and vote on your favorite chili! Whether you're a fan of mild or spicy, vegetarian or meaty, there will be something for everyone! So, mark your calendar for this year's cookoff and enjoy delicious food, great company, and festive cheer!

SUMMER CAMP REGISTRATION

Registration is now open for parents to sign their children up 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.

OPEN DOOR CAFÉ BLESSING TABLE

Did you know you can help our neighbors stay warm by donating hats and gloves to the Open Door Café's Blessing Table? Especially in the winter months, extra hats and gloves keep our friends warm. You can leave your hats and gloves in the bin under the mailboxes in the work room. Thank you!



LOOKING FOR
TAB'S WEEKLY
CALENDAR?

👉 **SCAN HERE**

*Additional events and information
can be found on our website at
tabpres.org/calendar/*

EASTER FLOWERS

If you would like to help fill our Sanctuary and McKee Chapel with beautiful flowers for Easter in honor or in memory of someone, **please submit all orders no later than SUN, March 24.** Forms are available at the Front Desk, or you can go to tabpres.org/giving/ and choose "Easter Flowers" from the drop-down menu. (Please note: because characters are limited, please use **IMO** for honors "In Memory Of" or **IHO** for "In Honor Of" when submitting orders online, include the persons name you wish to remember.

PRAYER AND PANCAKES

Be sure to mark your calendars for Monday evening, **April 15.** Tab's Mission Committee is planning a brief prayer service for our mission and ministry partners starting at 6p in the Sanctuary (which will also be live-streamed) followed by a delicious pancake supper in the Dining Room. This will be a great opportunity to learn about our partners and have "Breakfast for Dinner!" In order to plan appropriately, we are asking for RSVPs for the pancake supper portion of the evening. Go ahead and reserve the date now; **please send your RSVP to frontdesk@tabpres.org.**