



Tabernacle Presbyterian Church
INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA

October 13, 2024 | 21st Sunday After Pentecost

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

2024 Spiritual Growth & Development Opportunities

Spiritual Growth & Development | SUNDAY 9a PARLOR

Join us on Sunday mornings as we continue our series led by Andrew Hart. Together, we'll explore the Sermon on the Mount and reflect on its powerful messages that resonate deeply in our lives today. All are welcome to join us in this opportunity for fellowship, discussion, and personal growth!

Women's Bible Study | MONDAY 7p PARLOR

Gather with the ladies of Tab for faith and fellowship at our Monday Night Women's Bible Study! We're excited to dive into the Gospel of John and explore Jesus' profound "I Am" statements through the engaging study guide, "Believe I Am" by Megan Marshman.

Pastor's Bible Study | WEDNESDAY 9:30a-10:30a PARLOR

Join us as our pastor leads a Bible study covering the Scriptures for the upcoming Sunday worship service.

Men's Bible Study | SATURDAY 8a-9a PARLOR

The men of Tab are studying the New Testament book of Hebrews. Questions? Please contact Doug Conrads at dlconrads@yahoo.com for more information about this wonderful opportunity for fellowship and study.

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.

Cover Art:

The Sermon on the Mount
from Tullie House Museum and
Art Gallery

8 o'clock Worship

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

† Please stand in body or spirit.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

“Prelude” *Henry Purcell*

The Prelude 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.

Gathering In God's Name

† CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Greeted by the changing light, we gather here.

People: From faraway places, we find ourselves together.

Leader: Bright-colored leaves and honking geese accompany us into autumn's changes.

People: Renewing our hope for new beginnings.

Leader: Our hope is in Jesus' presence.

People: Among us, between us, and beyond us, come, Jesus, welcomer.

Leader: Welcome us into a community of hospitality.

People: Come, Jesus, befriender.

Leader: Befriend us into a community of companions.

People: Come, Jesus, liberator.

Leader: Liberate us into a community of freedom.

People: As we come now to worship,

Leader: May we learn afresh,

All: To love, forgive and heal each other, and all others!

† HYMN #321

“The Church's One Foundation” *Aurelia*

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, hear our prayer: For the mending of our hearts, torn apart by our unkindness; for the healing of our souls, wasting away from the despair around us, and maybe of our own creation; for the forgiveness we seek, for the sin we have allowed to persist; for the reconciliations of the world, whose divisions condemn us. We pray this day and always, for the courage to admit our fault, the strength to amend our actions, and the hope your awaiting grace makes possible. At the invitation of Jesus, we are bold to pray...

MOMENT OF SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S LOVE

† RESPONSE #581

“Gloria Patri” *Greater*

*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.*

† PASSING OF THE PEACE

Proclaiming God's Word

SCRIPTURE READING

Jeremiah 29:1–7 | Pew Bible Page 638

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 5:9 | Pew Bible Page 785

NRSVUE

Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God

MSG

You're blessed when you can show people how to cooperate instead of compete or fight. That's when you discover who you really are, and your place in God's family.

MESSAGE

Finding Our Place

Responding to God's Word

† AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Leader: Let us join together proclaiming some of that which we believe.

We believe in a bright and amazing God, who has been to the depths of despair on our behalf; who has risen in splendor and majesty; who decorates the universe with sparkling water, clear white light, twinkling stars and sharp colors, over and over again. We believe that Jesus is the light of the world; that God believes in us, forgives and trusts us, even though we make the same mistakes over and over again. We commit ourselves to Jesus, and so to one another as siblings, renewing our life as a beloved community of grace and hope. As disciples journeying towards God's future, we commit ourselves to asking questions, to being open to illumination, to living in the light of the Spirit. Amen!

SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

“Let Us Break Bread Together” *Let Us Break Bread*

(Please join in singing during the serving of the Sacrament of Communion.)

Let us break bread together on our knees; let us break bread together on our knees.

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; let us drink wine together on our knees.
(Refrain)*

*Let us praise God together on our knees; let us praise God together on our knees.
(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.*

Departing to Serve

† HYMN #308

“O God in Whom All Life Begins” *Noel*

† BENEDICTION

† POSTLUDE

“Capriccio” *Johann Jacob Froberger*

Please join us in McKee Hallway immediately following worship for Coffee & Fellowship.

Today's Worship Participants

Rev. Dr. Bill Smutz, Interim Senior Pastor

Rev. Terri Thorn, Associate Pastor

Matt Kauffman, Organist

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10 o'clock Worship

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† SONG

“Open up the Heavens”

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RECEIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

"A Little More Jesus"

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† CLOSING SONG

"Because He Lives"

† BENEDICTION

† POSTLUDE

"The Blessing"

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Rev. Dr. Bill Smutz, Interim Senior Pastor

Rev. Terri Thorn, Associate Pastor

Pavel Polanco-Safadit, Piano

Val Phelps, Staci McCrackin, Leah Crane, Vocals

Rob Dixon, Saxophone

Steve Dokken, Bass

Carrington Clinton, Drums

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Announcements

Week of October 13 – October 19, 2024

MISSION SUNDAY

On Sunday, October 20, Tab will observe Mission Sunday, a day dedicated to recognizing and praying for our mission and community ministry partners. This special service highlights the important mission activities supported by Tab's budget. Congregation members are encouraged to join in worship and pray over specific requests from our partners, who are invited to attend in person or online. Let's unite to celebrate and support the vital work being done in our community and beyond! Your participation makes a difference!

TREATS AT TAB

This year's Treats at Tab (formerly Trunk or Treat) will take place in Lower Level A and Lower Level B from 12-1:30pm on Sunday, October 27. We'll serve lunch, play carnival games, and have goody bags, face painting, fun Halloween music, and of course, lots of Tab folks giving out candy to Tab's children and the children of our neighbors. All are welcome, and there's no cost for this event. We'll need MANY volunteers willing to give out candy, help serve lunch, and oversee games, as well as members willing to donate candy (individually wrapped, please). A volunteer sign-up sheet is available each Sunday morning in McKee Hallway. If you have any questions, please contact Jennifer Wirt at jennifer.wirt@tabpres.org.

WOMEN'S BRUNCH

Bring your favorite gal pals for a morning of inspiration and connection at the Women's Ministry Brunch on November 2! Join us in the Dining Room from 10am - 12pm for a delightful meal as we explore the seasons of our souls and celebrate Jesus' unwavering presence in our lives. Enjoy inspiring conversations with mother-daughter duo Keva Rop and Glensschella Taylor, who will share their insights on friendship and family. Bring your bestie, mom, sister, daughter, or granddaughter (mature preteens and older) for a morning of growth! **Please RSVP by the end of today**, to womenoftab@tabpres.org. We can't wait to see you there!

FELLOWSHIP SOUP LUNCHEON

Join us for a Fellowship Soup Luncheon on Sunday, November 3, at 12:15 PM, right after the Mission Study presentation! Enjoy hearty ham & bean and meatless vegetable soup prepared by Chef Andre, plus PB&J for the kiddos. This event, hosted by Congregational Life, is a great opportunity for fellowship. To RSVP, visit tabpres.org/Events or email Pat Carlson at pstcarlson3@gmail.com with your name and guest numbers. A sign-up sheet will also be at the front desk. Deadline: Thursday, October 24. We can't wait to see you!

FAITH STORIES: A SPECIAL PERFORMANCE

Join us on Sunday, October 27, at 9am in the Parlor for an inspiring presentation by the Spiritual Growth and Development Team. Experience the powerful first-person portrayals by Tab artists Ellen Moeller and Scott Carlson, as they bring to life the remarkable stories of Corrie Ten Boom and Dietrich Bonhoeffer. Discover how these two ordinary individuals lived extraordinary lives of enduring faith and devotion to God. Arrive early to secure a front-row seat—everyone is welcome!

Calendar

October 13 – October 19, 2024

THIS WEEK AT TAB

Sunday, October 13

- 8a Communion Service *McKee Chapel*
- 8:45a Coffee & Conversation
McKee Hallway
- 9a Spiritual Growth & Development
Class *Parlor*
- 9a Children's Education *Lower Level B*
- 9a Youth Education *Youth Room*
- 10a Worship Service *Sanctuary*
- 10a Junior Church *Lower Level B*
- 11a Coffee & Conversation *Parlor*
- 11a IMPACT Youth Group *Youth Room*
- 11:30a Recreation Presentation & Luncheon
Dining Room

Monday, October 14

- 11a Open Door Café *Dining Room*
- 5:30p Facilities Committee Mtg
Session Room
- 6:30p Boy Scout Troop 72/721 Youth
Room
- 7p Women's Bible Study *Parlor*

Tuesday, October 15

- 10a Women Alive *Parlor*
- 6:30p Prayer Meeting *McKee Chapel*
- 6:30p Bible Study Fellowship
Dining Room
- 7p Session Meeting *Parlor*

Wednesday, October 16

- 9:30a Pastors' Bible Study *Parlor*
- 11a Open Door Café *Dining Room*

Thursday, October 17

- 6p Circles *Dining Room*
- 7p Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal *Parlor*

Friday, October 18

- 11a Open Door Café *Dining Room*
- 3:30p Circle of Hope *Parlor*

Saturday, October 19

- 8a Men's Bible Study *Parlor*

MISSION STUDY UPDATE

Join us for the presentation of the Congregation Assessment Tool survey results on Sunday, November 3 in the Tab Sanctuary from 11:10am - 12:10pm. The format will include a 30–45 minute presentation by the Mission Study Team (MST) and Holy Cow! Consulting, followed by a 15–20 minute Q&A session. This will be an excellent opportunity for you to engage with the findings and ask questions. For additional updates and listening sessions, visit tabpres.org/MissionStudy.

THANK YOU FOR GIVING

Your generous support enables Tab to spread the love and joy of Christ to thousands each year.

Whether through worship, music, community outreach, pastoral care, ministry programs and events, your faithful commitment and contributions truly make a difference.

Thank you for giving!

Ways to Give:

- Scan the QR code
- Text TABPRES to 73256
- Give online at:
 - tabpres.org/giving
 - onrealm.org/tabpres/Give
- Download the Realm Connect app

