



TAB

Tabernacle Presbyterian Church
INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA

October 20 2024 | 22nd 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

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:

*Third Station of the Resurrection:
The Walk to Emmaus (detail)*

by Rowan LeCompte and
Irene Matz LeCompte

from Resurrection Chapel, National
Cathedral, Washington, DC.

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.

8 o'clock Worship

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“Gloria Patri” *Greater*

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Proclaiming God's Word

SCRIPTURE READING

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MESSAGE

The Mission of Relationships

Responding to God's Word

SERVICE OF PRAYERS FOR MISSION AND MINISTRY

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All: *Hear our prayer.*

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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)

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CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

A Reading of “Who is My Neighbor”

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ANTHEM

“Down in the River to Pray” *Eric Nelson*

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OFFERTORY

“The Gospel of Grace” *arr. Mark Hayes*

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Sanctuary Choir

Sanctuary Choir Ensemble

Emma Richards, Soloist

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Tabernacle Church Mission and Community Ministry Partners

2024-2025

GLOBAL MISSIONS

UMBRELLA ORGANIZATION	MISSION WORKER	LOCATION	MINISTRY TYPE
Beyond	Steve and Amy	Thailand	Discipleship/Church Planting
Navigators	John and Jen Keller	Mongolia	Discipleship/Leadership Development
World Gospel Missions	Michael and Kay Johnson	Philadelphia	Compassion/Medical
Christian Union Sports Club	Mark Wittig	Colombia	Compassion/Discipleship/ Youth Development
Missio-Link	Emil Toader	Romania	Compassion/Discipleship/ Church and pastor development
Mana Deschisa	Marshall McKenna	Romania	Compassion/Shelter/Empowerment
Justice Venture International	Jeff Pankratz	Global, primarily Asia	Compassion/ Human Trafficking Rescue
Umoja Partnership	Leonard Otiendi/ Denise Soltis	Kenya	Compassion/Food and Nutrition/Education
Neighborhood Ministries In Phoenix	Kit Daniels and Lenny Reel	Arizona	Compassion/Community Ministry

LOCAL MINISTRY PARTNERS

PARTNER

MINISTRY TYPE

Neighborhood Christian Legal Clinic

Legal Assistance and Justice Advocacy in Christ's Name

Mapleton-Fall Creek Development Corp

Community Development and Affordable Housing Support

Indy Grace Place

Re-entry Housing and Support

The Oaks Academy

Faith-centric Education

Raphael Health Center

Healthcare: medical, mental health, eye care and dental
(Faith-based Federally Qualified Health Center)

Circles Indy

Empowerment, Mitigate Poverty

Mid-North Food Pantry

Community Food Pantry

Freewheelin' Community Bikes

Youth Development

Horizons At St. Richards

Education and Youth Development Summer program
(Tab Tutoring students attend.)

TAB MINISTRIES

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TAB CONTACT

NOTES

Open Door

Compassion, Food,
Community

Janae Woodson

Monday focus: Greater Faith/Spiritual Needs
Wednesday focus: Deeper Relationships/Physical Needs
Friday focus: Stronger Community/Emotional & Mental Health Needs

Tab Community Care

Compassion:
Utility Assistance and
Resource Referral

Linda McCabe

Care team members meet with neighbors to listen compassionately, provide encouragement, prayers, and resource referrals, and gather information to guide assistance based on guidelines.

Tab Tutoring

After-school tutoring in
faith-based environment

Carol Newell

Meets Thursday afternoons for one-on-one tutoring. Recruiting tutors who need not be Tab members but must be approved by the leadership team (background check may be required).

Fresh Stop

Affordable fresh produce

Sally John

Operates as a produce co-op during farm seasons with sliding scale fees. Requires volunteers annually for produce distribution.

Moze! Sanders

Thanksgiving Meal

Mike O'Banyel

Tab provides kitchen support for the annual Moze! Sanders dinner.

Announcements

Week of October 20 – October 26, 2024

CONGREGATIONAL CALL

In accordance with the By-laws, a Meeting of the Congregation is hereby called for **Sunday, November 17, 2024, at 9:00am** in the Sanctuary for the purposes of reviewing the proposed 2025 Operating Budget, electing church officers, and any other business that may be properly discussed. All members are encouraged to attend.

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

FRESH STOP PRODUCE

There are three Fresh Stops left in this season. You can get involved by going to freshstop.org before midnight tonight. Everyone gets the exact same array of freshly harvested, local produce, but pays differently according to income. For more information, contact **Sally John** at sallybjohn@gmail.com.

FAITH STORIES: A SPECIAL PERFORMANCE

Join us next 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!

FELLOWSHIP SOUP LUNCHEON

Join us for a Fellowship Soup Luncheon on Sunday, November 3, at 12:15pm, after the Mission Study presentation! Enjoy soups by Chef Andre and PB&J for kids. Hosted by Congregational Life, it's a great chance for fellowship. To RSVP, email **Pat Carlson** at pstcarlson3@gmail.com or sign up at the Front Desk. RSVP by Thursday, October 24.

TREATS AT TAB

Join us for Treats at Tab (formerly Trunk or Treat) on Sunday, October 27, from 12–1:30pm in Lower Level A and B. Enjoy lunch, carnival games, goody bags, face painting, and Halloween music. All are welcome, and there's no cost! We need volunteers to help with candy, lunch, and games, as well as donations of individually wrapped candy. A sign-up sheet is available in McKee Hallway each Sunday morning. For questions, contact **Jennifer Wirt** at jennifer.wirt@tabpres.org.

CONGREGATIONAL 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.

Calendar

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THIS WEEK AT TAB

Sunday, October 20

- 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*

Monday, October 21

- 11a Open Door Café *Dining Room*
- 6:30p Cub Scout Troop 72
Lower Level
- 7p Women's Bible Study *Parlor*

Tuesday, October 22

- 9:30a Women Alive *Parlor*
- 5:30p Congregational Life Committee
McWhirter Resource Center
- 6:30p Prayer Meeting *McKee Chapel*
- 6:30p Bible Study Fellowship
Dining Room
- 7p Deacons' Meeting *Parlor*

Wednesday, October 23

- 9:30a Pastors' Bible Study *Parlor*
- 11a Open Door Café *Dining Room*
- 12p Tab Rec Vision Core Team Mtg
Parlor

Thursday, October 24

- 2:30p Tab Tutoring *Gym & Lower Level*
- 6p Circles *Dining Room*
- 7p Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal *Parlor*

Friday, October 25

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

Saturday, October 26

- 8a Men's Bible Study *Parlor*
- 10a Fresh Stop Produce *Offsite*
- 10a Purls of Wisdom *Session Room*

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



