



Tabernacle Presbyterian Church  
INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA

October 27 2024  
23rd Sunday After Pentecost | Reformation Sunday



# 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 this morning for an inspiring presentation by the Spiritual Growth and Development Team. Experience powerful portrayals by Tab artists Ellen Moeller and Scott Carlson, bringing to life the remarkable stories of **Corrie Ten Boom** and **Dietrich Bonhoeffer**. Discover how these ordinary individuals exemplified extraordinary discipleship and devotion in their walk with God. Everyone is welcome!

### Women's Bible Study | MONDAY 6:30p 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](mailto: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:

*Cabeza de Jesús*

by Enrique Simonet

# 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

“Ein’ feste Burg ist unser Gott” (“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”) *Dietrich Buxtehude*

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## Gathering In God's Name

### † CALL TO WORSHIP

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**People: Who, through the creativity of the Holy Spirit,**

Leader: Brought our world and lives into being.

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Leader: That God is still perfecting creation’s future.

**People: As God continues to nudge us toward newness,**

Leader: May we discover renewal and the refreshment of our souls.

**People: May we be captured again by the boldness of Jesus,**

Leader: And the vision of those whom we acknowledge,

**People: And celebrate as reformers.**

Leader: With this fresh vision may we find the courage to change,

**People: What needs to be transformed in our faithfulness,  
and in the service of this church—**

**All: All for the glory of God’s Beloved Community on earth!**

### † HYMN #275

“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God” *Ein’ Feste Burg*

## CALL TO CONFESSION

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

*Loving God, just as the world continues to revolve and evolve, you persistently call the church to move in new directions. Yet, we do what we can to place the brakes on change and silence newness. We experience the winds of the Holy Spirit blowing us forward; still, we continually choose to close doors, shut windows, and ignore its urging. Forgive us when we limit you, God, and when we place you and your ideas into boxes. Open our souls to the expansiveness of your love. May we incorporate your new winds and bold ideas, even when we are set in old ways and content with monotonous routines. We pray, because Jesus invites us to...*

## MOMENT OF SILENT CONFESSION

### ASSURANCE OF GOD'S LOVE

#### † 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.*

#### † PASSING OF THE PEACE

## *Proclaiming God's Word*

### SCRIPTURE READING

Isaiah 6:9–13 | Pew Bible Page 553

### GOSPEL READING

John 12:20–25 | Pew Bible Page 875

### MESSAGE

Always To Be Reformed

## *Responding to God's Word*

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*Out of Israel, God in due time raised up Jesus. His faith and obedience were the response of the perfect child of God. Jesus was and is the fulfillment of God's promise to Israel, the beginning of the new creation, and the pioneer of the new humanity. Jesus continually gives history its meaning and direction and calls the church, and we his disciples, to be his servants for the reconciliation of the world. 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.*

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## PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

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*For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.*

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### † POSTLUDE

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## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

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Isaiah 6:9–13 | Pew Bible Page 553

## † HYMN #329

“God Is Our Refuge and Strength” *Winchester Old*

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## RECEIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

### OFFERTORY

“In Christ Alone” *Keith Getty & Stuart Townend*

*In Christ alone my hope is found;  
He is my light, my strength, my song.  
This cornerstone, this solid ground,  
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.  
What heights of love, what depths of peace  
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease.  
My Comforter, my all in all,  
Here in the love of Christ I stand.  
In Christ alone who took on flesh,  
Fullness of God in helpless babe.  
This gift of love and righteousness,  
Scorned by the ones he came to save,  
Till on that cross, as Jesus died,  
The wrath of God was satisfied,  
For every sin on him was laid;  
Here in the death of Christ I live.  
There in the ground his body lay,  
Light of the world by darkness slain.  
The bursting forth in glorious day,  
Up from the grave he rose again.  
And as he stands in victory,  
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me,  
For I am his and he is mine,  
Bought with the precious blood of Christ.  
No guilt in life, no fear in death,  
This is the pow'r of Christ in me.  
From life's first cry to final breath  
Jesus commands my destiny.  
No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man  
Can ever pluck me from his hand.  
Till he returns or calls me home,  
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*Matt Kauffman, Organ & Piano*

*Sanctuary Choir Ensemble*

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#### **FLOWERS**

The beautiful chancel flowers are given this morning by  
Jeff and Stephanie Menzel in celebration of their son, Owen's, baptism.

# Announcements

Week of October 27 – November 2, 2024

## OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY

Our heartfelt condolences and prayers go out to Deborah Daniels-Mannweiler on the passing of her husband, Lyle Mannweiler, on Monday, October 14. Calling will be held at Leppert Mortuary Nora, located at 740 East 86th Street, from 2–4pm on Friday, November 1, followed by a Celebration of Life starting at 4pm. Please keep Deborah and her family in your thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.

Our thoughts and prayers are also extended to the family of Bloor Redding who passed away on Sunday, October 20. A private service will be held at a later date.

## BAPTISM

Our prayers and best thoughts to the family of Owen Rosales Menzel, born June 19, 2024, who is being baptized this morning. The proud parents are Jeff and Stephanie Menzel. Congratulations!

## TREATS AT TAB

Join us for Treats at Tab (formerly Trunk or Treat) this afternoon from 12–1:30pm in Lower Level A and B. Enjoy lunch, carnival games, goody bags, face painting, and Halloween music. Everyone is welcome, and there's no cost! We hope to see you there!

## ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY CELEBRATION

On All Saints' Sunday, we honor the saints of Tab who have gone before us. At the 10am service, the Sanctuary Choir, soloists, and orchestra will present Gabriel Fauré's "Requiem," showcasing the promise of eternal life through beautiful music. Join us on November 3 for this meaningful celebration of hope and the assurance of Christ, as we reflect on our journey from earthly homes to our heavenly home. **Friendly reminder: Daylight Saving Time ends next Sunday morning. Don't forget to adjust your clocks and "fall back" one hour before you go to bed on Saturday night!**

## BLESSING TABLE

Thank you for your support throughout the year as we assist our Open Door Café friends with hygiene items. Your donations make a difference. Travel-size bottles of shampoo, soap, and toothpaste are always needed. As we approach Veterans Day, please donate new or gently used blankets or comforters to the Blessing Table by November 4. You may leave them at the Front Office. Twin, full, and queen sizes are most commonly needed. Thank you for helping us assist our neighbors.

## TAB GOLF CLASSIC—THANK YOU!

The Deacons would like to thank all the donors and volunteers who gave so generously to make this year's Tab Golf Classic a success. The event raised over \$14,000, which will benefit both the Deacons' Benevolence Fund and the Community Care Fund.

### *Gold Level Hole Sponsors:*

Anonymous, In Honor of Kate Ase, Virginia Browning, Nathan & Greta Clement, Donaldson's Chocolates, The Duct Squad, Lucy Emison, Green Custom Framing & Carpentry, Fritz & Janet Holtz, Chris Iverson, Leading Properties, Jim & Rita Lingeman, Bart & Ann Ost, Byron & Marsha Robinson, Dr. Robert & Ann Weller, Steve & Jennifer Weyreter

### *Blue Level Hole Sponsors:*

Anonymous, Doug Conrads, Jim & Karlee Moore, Jim & Robin Pfeiffer, Jeff & Sharon Poole, Christine & Richard Scales

### *Red Level Hole Sponsors:*

Anonymous, Mike & Pat Cracraft, Carl & Lisa Evans, Jim & Jane McClelland, Gary & Jane Miller, Nancy Morris, Mitch & Sandy Roob, Tom Simpson, Gary & Ruth Anne Wright, Brian, Cindy, & Stephanie Verbarg

### *Additional Donations:*

Jon & Mary Dougherty, Sue White

# Calendar

October 27 – November 2, 2024

## THIS WEEK AT TAB

### Sunday, October 27

- 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*
- 11a Parishioners Without Partners  
*McWhirter Resource Center*
- 12p Treats at Tab *Lower Level B*

### Monday, October 28

- 11a Open Door Café *Dining Room*
- 2p Facilities Meeting *Session Room*
- 6:30p Cub Scout Troop 72  
*Lower Level*
- 6:30p Boy Scout Troop 72/721  
*Youth Room*
- 7p Women's Bible Study *Parlor*

### Tuesday, October 29

- 9:30a Women Alive *Parlor*
- 6:30p Prayer Meeting *McKee Chapel*

### Wednesday, October 30

- 9:30a Pastors' Bible Study *Parlor*
- 11a Open Door Café *Dining Room*
- 2p Mozel Sanders Meeting *Parlor*

### Thursday, October 31

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

### Friday, November 1

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

### Saturday, November 2

- 8a Men's Bible Study *Parlor*
- 8a Music Rehearsal *Sanctuary*
- 10a Women's Brunch *Dining Room*
- 11a Mental Health Workshop *Parlor*

## CONGREGATIONAL MISSION STUDY UPDATE

Join us for the presentation of the Congregation Assessment Tool survey results **next 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](http://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



