



Tabernacle Presbyterian Church
INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA

November 24, 2024 | Reign of Christ 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

Come together each Sunday morning in the Parlor for a time of reflection, discussion, and spiritual growth. All are welcome!

Women's Bible Study | MONDAY 6:30p PARLOR

Join Women's Bible Study as we explore the Gospel of John and Jesus' "I Am" statements using *Believe I Am* by Megan Marshman.

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

A pastor-led Bible study covering the Scriptures for the upcoming Sunday worship service.

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

Join the Men's Ministry at Tab on Saturday mornings for a study of the book of Hebrews, continuing through February 2025. Come be encouraged and support one another in prayer. *Note: We will not meet on November 30, 2024.*

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:

He Taught Them by the Parables
by Jorge Cocco Santangelo

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

“Organ Fantasy on ‘Now Thank We All Our God’” *Heinrich v. Horzogenberg*

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: Open our hearts, loving God,

People: To see the riches and the wonders,

Leader: That you give your children.

People: Open our hearts, loving God,

Leader: Until they overflow with happiness and thanks,

People: For all the gifts you give us in your world.

Leader: Open our hearts, loving God,

People: Until they overflow with praise.

Leader: Open our hearts, loving God,

People: To offer you a rich and fitting harvest,

Leader: Not only of our praise, but of our lives;

All: *Lived in the way you intend them to be!*

† HYMN #643

“Now Thank We All Our God” *Nun Danket Alle Gott*

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Loving God, for expecting too much, for expecting too little, forgive us. For making easy promises, and failing to keep them, loving God, forgive us. For hasty words and thoughtless actions, for easy answers and careless thinking, loving God, forgive us. For avoiding the hurt of the world, and ignoring the needs of others, loving God, forgive us. Help our worship to be a sending and strengthening, and not just an escape from reality. We pray as Jesus invites us to...

MOMENT OF SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S LOVE

† RESPONSE #581

“Gloria Patri” *Greaterex*

*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 43:1–7 | Pew Bible Page 585

GOSPEL READING

Mark 4:1–2a, 35–41 | Pew Bible Page 815

MESSAGE

Going Deep

Responding to God's Word

† AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *(in unison)*

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

We believe that we worship one God, Creator, Christ, and Holy Spirit, in whose image we are made, to whose service we are summoned, and by whose energy we are renewed. We believe that central to Jesus' mission is respecting the earth as God's possession, rejoicing in the diversity of human culture, preserving human life in all its beauty and frailty, and witnessing to the love of God for all people and places. We believe that through the power of the Holy Spirit, the persecuted shall be lifted up, the wicked shall stumble, the hesitant prayers and hidden actions of God's people shall change the course of human history, and the ancient words of scripture shall startle us with fresh insight. We believe God has called the church into being, to help God's Beloved Community emerge, to be a sign of God's new order, and to offer a foretaste on earth of the magnificence of heaven. We believe that Jesus invites us to be one despite our differences, and we commit ourselves afresh to the Love of God, the Way of Jesus, and the Guiding of the Holy 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 #268

“Crown Him With Many Crowns” *Diademata*

† BENEDICTION

† POSTLUDE

“Now Thank We All Our God” *Sigfrid Karg-Elert*

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

Call to Worship adapted from the Iona Community's *Wild Goose Big Book of Worship Resources 2*

Prayer of Confession adapted from *The Green Heart of the Snowdrop*, Kate McIlhagga, Editor

Affirmation of Faith adapted from *Present on Earth*, a resource of the Wild Goose Worship Group.

10 o'clock Worship

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Mozel Sanders Thanksgiving Dinner

PRELUDE

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† OPENING SONG

"Amazing Grace (My Chains are Gone)"

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CHILDRENS MESSAGE

SPECIAL MUSIC

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RECEIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

"You Say"

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† CLOSING SONG

“Blessed Assurance”

† BENEDICTION

† POSTLUDE

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Rev. Dr. Bill Smutz, Interim Senior Pastor

Rev. Terri Thorn, Associate Pastor

Leah Crane & Jeanne Rieger, Vocals

Eric Guion, Guitar

Karis Crane, Bass

Pavel Polanco-Safadit, Piano

Giauna Neville, Percussion

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Announcements

Week of November 24 – November 30, 2024

FLOWERS

The lovely harvest tables in McKee Chapel and the Sanctuary have been prepared by the Ruth Covenant Group in appreciation and thanksgiving for the wonderful congregation and staff of Tabernacle Presbyterian Church.

OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY

Our deepest sympathy is extended to the families of Jeannine Stokes and Mable Chulock.

Jeannine Stokes passed away on Tuesday, November 19. Visitation will be held in the Tab Parlor on Tuesday, November 26, from 10–11am, with the service to follow in McKee Chapel.

Mable Chulock passed away on Sunday, November 17. There are no services planned at this time.

Please keep the Stokes and Chulock families in your thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.

THANK-OFFERING DINNER

Pull up a chair and join us for the annual Thank Offering Dinner after worship today at 11:15am in the Dining Room, as we celebrate Thanksgiving and community. We hope to see you there!

OFFICES CLOSED

The church office will be closed on November 28 & 29 for the Thanksgiving holiday.

MOZEL SANDERS THANKSGIVING SIGN-UP

Want to get involved this Thanksgiving? Be a volunteer or donate delicious pies for the Mozel Sanders Thanksgiving Day Dinner on November 28. Choose a shift and sign up at the table in McKee Hallway after worship. Visit tabpres.org/MozelSanders for more info.

“JUST FOR MOMS” MINI-WORKSHOP

All Tab ladies are invited to a special night of crafting and fellowship on Wednesday, December 4, from 6:30-8:30pm in Lower Level B. Enjoy a child-free environment while creating several fun crafts, indulging in delicious desserts, and listening to festive holiday music. Childcare will be provided in the Preschool room for children ages 4 and younger.

ADVENT WORKSHOP

Join us for the Advent Workshop on Sunday, December 8, from 9–11am in Lower Level B. This all-ages event includes crafts, card-signing for homebound members, holiday music, and fellowship. Special crafts will be available in the preschool room for children ages two through five. No fee or RSVP required—just come and celebrate the season with us!

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS

Donate a poinsettia “in memory of” or “in honor of” someone special. Each \$25 plant will decorate the Sanctuary throughout Christmas. Order online at tabpres.org/Poinsettias or at the Front Desk by Sunday, December 8. Checks should be made out to Tab (marked "Poinsettia"). Plants may be taken after Christmas Eve services. Thank you!

JOIN OUR TEAM

Tab is hiring a full-time Front Desk/ Congregational Care Coordinator. This role includes managing phone calls, visitors, the church calendar, supporting congregational care, and coordinating volunteer opportunities. The ideal candidate will have strong communication skills, proficiency in Microsoft Office, and a passion for ministry. Ready to make an impact? Apply today at tabpres.org/Careers.

Calendar

November 24 – November 30, 2024

THIS WEEK AT TAB

Sunday, November 24

- 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 IMPACT Youth Group *Youth Room*
- 11:15a Thank-Offering Dinner
Dining Room

Monday, November 25

- 11a Open Door Café *Dining Room*
- 6:30p Cub Scout Pack 72 *Lower Level*
- 6:30p Boy Scout Troop 72/721
Youth Room

Tuesday, November 26

- 6:30p Prayer Meeting *McKee Chapel*
- 6:30p Bible Study Fellowship
Dining Room
- 7p Preteen Service Project
Lower Level B
- 7p Deacons' Meeting *Parlor*

Wednesday, November 27

- 11a Open Door Café *Dining Room*

Thursday, November 28

- Church Office Closed All Day
- 7a Mozell Sanders Thanksgiving
Day Dinner *Dining Room*

Friday, November 29

- Building Closed All Day

2025 STEWARDSHIP DEDICATION SUNDAY

Today is Stewardship Dedication Sunday. If you are attending in-person worship, please place your 2025 Commitment Card in one of the baskets provided at each entrance. If you are not attending in person, please remember to mail in your 2025 Commitment Card to the church office or log into your Realm account to make your pledge. If you have forgotten your Commitment Card this morning, they are available at each entrance and on the table in McKee Hallway. Please prayerfully consider how you can more fully support Tab's mission and ministry through your gifts and involvement. Your support is so appreciated as we continue to minister in all the special ways that God is calling us. Thank you so much!



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.

Ways to Give:

- Scan the QR code
- Text **TABPRES** to 73256

