



Tabernacle Presbyterian Church  
INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA

February 2, 2025 | 4th Sunday After Epiphany

# 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.

## Discipleship Classes

2025 Spiritual Growth & Development Opportunities

**Spiritual Growth & Development** | SUNDAY 9-10a PARLOR

**NURTURING THE HEART WITHIN** | JANUARY 5 - FEBRUARY 16

Learn to embrace God's grace, recognize your value, and strengthen relationships through reflection, teaching, and group sharing. Led by Dr. Shannon Woller.

**Women's Bible Study** | MONDAY 7-8:30p PARLOR

**THE WONDER OF GRACE** | JANUARY 27 - MARCH 17

This eight-part series explores grace's meaning, availability, and transformative power, encouraging purposeful living for Jesus.

**Women Alive** | TUESDAY 10a-11a PARLOR

Gather weekly for thoughtful discussions on inspiring books. Current study: *When Faith Becomes Sight*. Contact Sally John at [sallybjohn@gmail.com](mailto:sallybjohn@gmail.com) for more info.

**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

**THE BOOK OF HEBREWS** | THROUGH FEBRUARY 14

Join the Men's Ministry at Tab on Saturday mornings for a study of the book of Hebrews, continuing through February 2025. Questions? Please contact Doug Conrads at [dlconrads@yahoo.com](mailto:dlconrads@yahoo.com).

### 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:

*Colorful hands joining together*  
by Adobestock

# 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 in d minor” *J. S. Bach*

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People: Welcome to this place of love and grace.

Leader: Welcome to this place of hope and perseverance.

People: God invites all of us,

Leader: To be part of the Beloved Community.

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Leader: To share in the good news.

People: We are welcome, just as we are.

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People: In gratitude for welcome and grace,

Leader: In gratitude for hope and love,

All: *In gratitude for all of this, let us worship God!*

### † HYMN #63

“The Lord Is God” *Azmon*

## CALL TO CONFESSION

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

*Loving God, you are our shepherd, and yet we feel left behind, and expect more of your attention and love. We lie down when we could act. We stir the pot when we could offer peace. We wander tempting paths, instead of following you. We see courage and comfort in earthly things, rather than in you. We hate our enemies, and refuse to break bread with them. We see scarcity, even when you offer us overwhelming abundance. Forgive us, we pray. Grant us your goodness and mercy, we pray. For we want to dwell in you, and in your grace forever...*

## 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

Deuteronomy 6:1-6 | Pew Bible Page 143

#### GOSPEL READING

Luke 10:25-37 | Pew Bible Page 844

#### MESSAGE

Go And Do Likewise

### *Responding to God's Word*

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

*I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. 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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## *Departing to Serve*

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“Take Thou Our Minds, Dear Lord” *Hall*

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### PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

*Words cannot express our gratitude, O God, for the wonder of the Spirit's presence in our gathering, and the miracle of Jesus' life nourishing us across time and space. May we who have been fed afresh this day, enact our gratitude out in the world... joining the holy work of the Spirit, in breaking down boundaries that divide, and building up communities that restore. Amen!*



## RECEIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

### OFFERTORY

“A Peaceful Kyrie” *John Purifoy*

*Kyrie eleison.*

*Christe eleison.*

*Agnus Dei, miserere nobis*

*Dona nobis pacem.*

Lord have mercy.

Christ have mercy.

Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world

Grant us your peace.

### † DOXOLOGY | HYMN #606

“Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow” *Old Hundredth*

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;*

*Praise him, all creatures here below;*

*Praise him above, ye heavenly host;*

*Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

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# Announcements

Week of February 2 – 8, 2025

## OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY

Our deepest sympathy is extended to the family of Fritz Blum whose mother, Virginia Blum, passed away on January 28 at the age of 104. There are no plans for a memorial at this time, but a celebration of life may be held later in April.

## INDY AGO ORGAN RECITAL

Join us **next Monday, February 10, at 7p** for a recital sponsored by the Indianapolis Chapter of the American Guild of Organists (AGO), featuring the Rieger tracker organ in McKee Chapel. Installed in 1981, it was the first new tracker organ in Indiana in over 100 years. Performers include Dr. John Allegar, Susan Powell, and Marko Petričić. This concert is free and open to the public. Learn more at [tabpres.org/Events](http://tabpres.org/Events).



## 2025 LENTEN ALL-CHURCH READ “LEANING IN, LETTING GO”

This Lenten season, deepen your faith through individual or small group readings from the powerful devotional, "Leaning In, Letting Go" by Nicole Massie Martin. Group sign-ups and book pickup begin **February 9 through March 9** in McKee Hallway. Adult Education will also offer an Introduction to Lent on March 2 at 9a in the Parlor. For more information, please visit [tabpres.org/Adults](http://tabpres.org/Adults) or contact Linda McCabe at (317) 413-6306.

## BLESSING TABLE DONATIONS

Due to severe cold temperatures this last month, please consider donating men's & women's socks and gloves for our friends at the Open Door Cafe's Blessing Table. You may leave your donations in the bin under the mailboxes in the mailroom. In advance, thank you for your generosity.

## SUNDAY MORNING CHANCEL FLOWERS

Celebrate a loved one or ministry with flowers for Sunday mornings. For more information or to reserve, email Linda Fledderjohn at [fledder@comcast.net](mailto:fledder@comcast.net) or call (317) 439-9829. The cost to fill both vases is \$90.

## SUMMER CAMP REGISTRATION

Register your child(ren) for Pyoca summer camps! Children's Ministries will cover half of the cost for one week of camp for each "Tab kid" who registers. Spots are filling up quickly, especially for elementary programs, so be sure to sign up early. Learn more and register at [pyoca.org/summer\\_camp](http://pyoca.org/summer_camp). Please contact Jennifer Wirt at [Jennifer.Wirt@tabpres.org](mailto:Jennifer.Wirt@tabpres.org) if you have any questions.

## MISSIONS UNIT WEEKLY RECAP

This week, Tab's elementary students will be visiting Vietnam, where we'll play Pick Up Sticks at the Table Game center, learn several words in Vietnamese and play a traditional Vietnamese bamboo flute at Hidden Secrets, try to solve the puzzle of the Tower of Hanoi at Brain Busters, play a vigorous game of ping pong at the International Challenge center, plant "peace trees" and make tissue paper lotus flowers at the craft tables, play "Catch the Carp" and run a bamboo hat relay in the gym, and taste Bahn-mi sandwiches and Pho soup at the Food Center.



### Fun fact about Vietnam:

Vietnam is the largest exporter of cashew nuts in the world.

### Bonus fun fact:

Ho Chi Minh's body is on display to the public for 9 months a year in Hanoi.

## THANK YOU FOR GIVING

Your support helps Tab share the love of Christ through worship, music, outreach and more. Donate by scanning the QR code or texting TABPRES to 73256.



# Calendar

February 2 – 8, 2025

## THIS WEEK AT TAB

### Sunday, February 2

- 8a Communion Service  
*McKee Chapel*
- 8:45a Coffee & Fellowship  
*McKee Hallway*
- 9a Spiritual Growth & Development  
*Parlor*
- 9a Children's Missions Unit  
*LLA, LLB, Gymnasium*
- 10a Worship Service *Sanctuary*
- 11a Coffee & Fellowship *Parlor*

### Monday, February 3

- 11a Open Door Café *Dining Room*
- 4:30p Endowment Fund Committee  
*Parlor*
- 5p HR Committee Mtg *Online*
- 6:30p Cub Scout Pack 72  
*Lower Level*
- 6:30p BSA Troop 72/721 *Youth Room*
- 7p Women's Bible Study *Parlor*

### Tuesday, February 4

- 10a Women Alive *Parlor*
- 5:30p Communications Committee  
*Session Room*
- 5:30p SG&D Committee Mtg *Parlor*
- 6:30p Prayer Meeting *McKee Chapel*
- 6:30p Bible Study Fellowship  
*Dining Room*

### Wednesday, February 5

- 9:30a Pastors' Bible Study *Parlor*
- 11a Open Door Café *Dining Room*
- 5:30p Missions Committee *Parlor*
- 6p Contemp. Service Rehearsal  
*Sanctuary*

### Thursday, February 6

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

### Friday, February 7

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

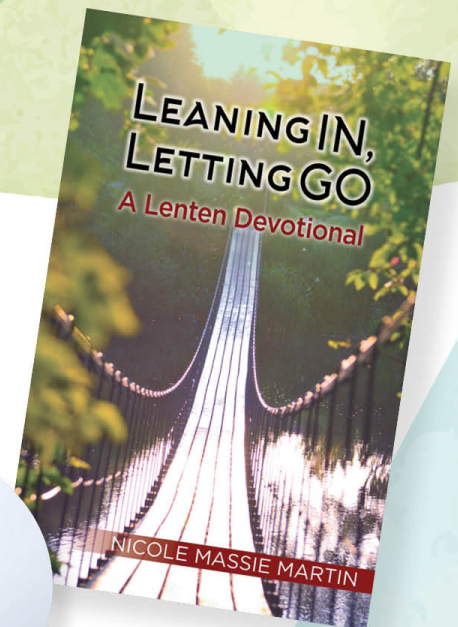
### Saturday, February 8

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

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Sunday mornings in McKee Hallway

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"Sometimes, you need to let go  
to lean in closer to God."

