



TAB

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 plate. 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 | SUNDAYS 9-10a PARLOR

No classes on Sunday, February 23.

AN INTRODUCTORY WALK THROUGH LENT | MARCH 2

Explore the meaning of Lent through reflection on Christ's life, death, and resurrection.

LENTEN ALL-CHURCH READ | MARCH 9 - APRIL 13

Pick up a copy of Rev. Dr. Nicole Massie Martin's devotional, "Leaning In, Letting Go," and sign up for small groups in McKee Hallway by March 9.

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

THE WONDER OF GRACE | JANUARY 27 - MARCH 17

Explore grace's meaning, availability, and transformative power, encouraging purposeful living for Jesus.

Women Alive | TUESDAYS 10a-11a PARLOR

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

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

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

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

THE GOSPEL OF LUKE | BEGINNING MARCH 1

Join the Men's Ministry of Tab as we study the Gospel of Luke. Contact Doug Conrads at dlconrads@yahoo.com for more info.

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:

Christ Washing the Disciples' Feet
by Giotto

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.

PRELUDE

"There Is a Balm in Gilead" *arr. Gilbert Martin*

The Prelude is a musical offering dedicated to the glory of God as his people gather for worship. Please use this time to give thanks for the blessings that God has bestowed upon you during the past week and remember Christ's promise of redemption for all who believe in him as Lord and Savior.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Gathering In God's Name

† CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Now is the moment of grace.

People: This is the hour of blessing.

Leader: Today is the day of salvation.

People: Here is the path to new life.

Leader: Already joy is abounding.

People: Already love is flowing.

Leader: For this is the day God is making.

All: *Let us rejoice and sing!*

† OPENING HYMN #366

"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" *Hyfrydol*

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

You have made us so interconnected, God. Siblings shaped by you, molded in your image. But our vision of the goodness we have from you is short-sighted, and time after time we fail to imitate your ways. When we have plenty and our neighbor has none, forgive us. When our gain causes our neighbor's pain, forgive us. When we do not listen, and our hearts become hardened, forgive us. When in our comfort we prefer fiction over fact, and allow the loudest voice to stop us from thinking, forgive us. By your grace reconnect us to one another, that we may imitate Jesus by living our lives with love...

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

Psalm 105:1-6 | Pew Bible Page 484

GOSPEL READING

John 13:31-35 | Pew Bible Page 877

MESSAGE

What Will Everyone Know?

Responding to God's Word

† AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *(in unison)*

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

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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)

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

† CLOSING HYMN #722

Lord, Speak to Me, That I May Speak” *Canonbury*

† BENEDICTION

† POSTLUDE

“Aint’a That Good News” *arr. Marianne Kim*

Please join us in the Sanctuary immediately following worship for the Annual Congregational Meeting.

Today's Worship Participants

Rev. Dr. Bill Smutz, Interim Senior Pastor

Rev. Terri Thorn, Associate Pastor

Matt Kauffman, Organist

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“This is Amazing Grace”

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RECEIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

“More than Wonderful”

For those not using the offering plate, you can give by texting **TABPRES** to 73256 or using the QR code.



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“Goodness of God”

† BENEDICTION

† POSTLUDE

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Leah Crane, Ivonne Blanco, Vocals

Pavel Polanco-Safadit, Piano

Eric Guion, Guitar

Matt Gall, Drums

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Announcements

Week of February 23 – 29, 2025

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION

In accordance with the By-laws, the Annual Meeting of the Congregation of Tabernacle Presbyterian Church is hereby called for **Sunday, February 23, 2025 at 9:00 a.m.** for the purpose of: reviewing the Annual Report, approving Associate Pastor's Terms of Call, receiving the approved Operating Budget for 2025, and any other business that may be properly discussed. The Meeting will be held in the Sanctuary and all members are encouraged to attend.

An **Informational Meeting** to receive information from Session concerning the present conversation about denomination affiliation will be held following the 10:00 a.m. Worship Service in the Sanctuary.

Rev. Dr. William Smutz, *Moderator*
Sharon Marshall, *Clerk of Session*

Copies of the Annual Report are available online; printed copies available upon request.

ELDER NOMINATION AT ANNUAL MEETING

Carol Lukemeyer will be nominated for the Class of 2027.

MISSIONS UNIT WEEKLY RECAP

This week, Tab's elementary students will be visiting Norway, where we'll play Fox and Geese at the Table Game center, learn several words in Norwegian, re-enact Norwegian artist Edvard Munch's "The Scream" painting, and learn about Norse myths at Hidden Secrets, learn to decipher Viking runes at Brain Busters, learn to make (and eat) Norwegian Krumkakes at the International Challenge center, create Viking helmets and paint Dala horses at the craft tables, and play "Thor's Hammer" and have a two-man ski relay in the gym, and taste

LENTEN ALL-CHURCH READ: BOOK PICKUP AND GROUP SIGN-UP

Deepen your faith through individual or small group readings from the Lenten devotional, "Leaning In, Letting Go," by Rev. Dr. Nicole Massie Martin. Stop by the table in McKee Hallway Sunday mornings through March 9 to pick up your book copy or sign up for a small group. For more information, please visit tabpres.org/Adults or contact Linda McCabe at (317) 413-6306.

2025 A-MAIZING LUNCH

Mark your calendars for the 2025 A-Maizing Lunch, supporting the Umoja Partnership food security program, on Sunday, March 9, at 11:15am in the Dining Room, following worship. Come enjoy a flavorful twist on githeri (maize and beans), a dish that our children eat every day for school lunch. Not a fan of githeri? No worries! Come and hear about the Eluhobe Comprehensive School, funded by the John and Kristin Gable retirement gift. Learn firsthand about the new Umoja Tabernacle Technical Training Institute and the incredible difference you're making in the lives of these children. Be sure to watch for the sign-up sheets in McKee Hallway!

Kjottkaker (Norwegian meat cakes), Lefse, and reindeer sausage at the Food Center.

Fun fact about Norway:

The parts of Norway located within the Arctic Circle have 78 straight days in the summer when the sun doesn't set at all, earning Norway the nickname "Land of the Midnight Sun".

Bonus fun fact:

Norway has won more medals at the Winter Olympics than any other country.



Calendar

February 23 – 29, 2025

THIS WEEK AT TAB

Sunday, February 23

- 8a Communion Service
McKee Chapel
- 8:45a Coffee & Fellowship
McKee Hallway
- 9a Annual Meeting of the
Congregation *Sanctuary*
- 9a Children's Missions Unit
LLA, LLB, Gymnasium
- 10a Worship Service *Sanctuary*
- 11a Coffee & Conversation
Parlor
- 11a Congregational Information
Session *Sanctuary*

Monday, February 24

- 11a Open Door Café *Dining Room*
- 6:30p BSA Troop Mtg
Youth Room
- 7p Women's Bible Study *Parlor*

Tuesday, February 25

- 10a Women Alive *Parlor*
- 5p Communications Mtg
Session Room
- 6:30p Prayer Meeting *McKee Chapel*
- 6:30p Bible Study Fellowship
Dining Room
- 7p Deacons' Mtg *Parlor*

Wednesday, February 26

- 9:30a Pastors' Bible Study *Parlor*
- 11a Open Door Café *Dining Room*
- 5:30p Missions Mtg *Parlor*

Thursday, February 27

- 12p TabJams Meeting *Parlor*
- 2:30p Tab Tutoring
Gym & Lower Level
- 6p Circles *Dining Room*
- 6p Handbell Choir Rehearsal
Sanctuary
- 7p Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
Parlor

Friday, February 28

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

Saturday, February 29

- 8a Men's Bible Study *Parlor*
- 10a Fresh Stop *Dining Room*

JOIN US FOR THE

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION

Today, February 23 | 9:00 AM
Sanctuary



**Fresh Stop
Produce**

Order Today!
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ORDER DEADLINE	FRESH STOP PICKUP
January 12	January 18
January 26	February 1
February 9	February 15
February 23	March 1
March 9	March 15

Pick up location: Tab Dining Room

For more information,
text or call (317) 296-4150.

FRESH STOP ORDER DEADLINE

Our next Fresh Stop is Saturday, March 1! Order your share by midnight tonight at FreshStop.org. Shares include fresh, locally grown, organic produce, priced at \$30 (\$15 for low-income households) or \$10 for SNAP users. Pickup is from 10-11 a.m. in the Dining Room; bring your own bag. Recipes and food samples provided. Don't miss out!

