



# Welcome

May you truly sense God's Spirit at work in this place and in your life.

Greetings! We warmly welcome those joining us in-person or via livestream today. As we celebrate, we pray you'll sense God's presence among us.

If you're a guest, please fill out a Connection Card in the pew racks to help us get to know you better. You can hand it 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.

Children are welcome to stay with their families during worship or attend Junior Church in Lower Level B after the Children's Message. Nurseries are available for infants along with programming for preschoolers.

## Discipleship Classes

2025 Spiritual Growth & Development Opportunities

**Spiritual Growth Class | SUNDAYS 9-10a PARLOR**

**JESUS' PARABLES: THROUGH MIDDLE EASTERN EYES**

Enjoy meaningful conversation, new perspectives, and fellowship as we discover Jesus' teachings through the fresh insight of 1st-century Jewish lens. Contact class leader, Mark John at [beaconmark@gmail.com](mailto:beaconmark@gmail.com) to join the discussion via livestream.

### 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:

*The Sun*  
by Edvard Munch

**New Class | SUNDAYS 11:20a - 12:20p LIBRARY**

**EPHESIANS | BEGINS TODAY**

Join us Sundays for a new Spiritual Growth class on Ephesians, led by Dr. Tim Mackie. Lunch included! Pre-register with Bart Ost at [BartonBost@gmail.com](mailto:BartonBost@gmail.com).

**Women's Tuesday Walkers | TUESDAYS 8a BLUE BRIDGE**

Start your Tuesdays with a refreshing walk, good company, and coffee! Meet at the Blue Bridge (56th & Illinois)—enjoy nature, conversation, and friendship. All women welcome!

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

Looking to build lasting connections with other men at Tab? Dive into Scripture and prayer in a supportive small group setting that values authenticity and spiritual growth.

*See the full weekly schedule of Spiritual Growth programming at [tabpres.org/Adults](http://tabpres.org/Adults).*





# 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

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## Gathering In God's Name

### † CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Let us unlock our hearts,

People: For God wants to come in.

Leader: Let us open our lives,

People: For God desires a home.

Leader: Let us swing wide all the doors,

People: For God's children need shelter.

Leader: Easter rolls the stone,

All: *And nothing can be shut anymore!*

### † HYMN #365

“God Reigns! Let Earth Rejoice!” *Marion*

## CALL TO CONFESSION

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

*Loving God, we confess our doubt to you, for it is deep and wide, like a fresh wound whose sting cannot be softened by any ointment or bandage. One moment we praise with song and dance, and the next moment we turn away from you. We mistakenly beg for certainty, proof, and control over that which cannot be known or controlled. We cry out, “Show us!” Our doubt suffocates us even while you breathe on and within us. Open space for us, enough to breathe in the reality of your presence in all that we do, in all that we seek, in all that we doubt; and restore new life in us that we may know belief in you which is deeper and wider than any doubt. Guide our questions, that we may grow ever more aware, and trust more deeply in your abiding holiness...*

## 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

Leviticus 11:1—12 | Pew Bible Page 85

#### GOSPEL READING

Acts 11:1—18 | Pew Bible Page 895

#### MESSAGE

Listening...Silence...Praise!

### *Responding to God's Word*

## † AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *(in unison)*

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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.*

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## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### MOMENT FOR MISSION

Christian Union Sports Club

Report from Session

### TIME OF PREPARATION

“Jesus, Stand Among Us” *Kenneth G. Finlay*

*Jesus, stand among us in thy risen power;  
Let this time of worship be an holy hour.*

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## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

## ANTHEM

"Down in the River to Pray" *Eric Nelson*

*As I went down in the river to pray, studying about that good old way,  
and who shall wear the starry crown, good Lord, show me the way.*

*O sisters let's go down, let's go down, come on down.*

*O sisters let's go down, down in the river to pray.*

*Deep river, my home is over Jordan.*

*Deep river, Lord, I want to cross over into campground.*

*O don't you want to go to that gospel feast,  
that promised land where all is peace?*

*As I went down in the river to pray, studying about the good old way,  
and who shall wear the robe and crown, good Lord, show me the way.*

*O brothers let's go down, O come on down,*

*O let's go down in the river to pray.*

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### † HYMN #288

"Spirit of the Living God" *Living God*

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## RECEIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS OFFERTORY

"I Want Jesus to Walk With Me" David M. Cherwien

*I want Jesus to walk with me.  
I want Jesus to walk with me;  
All along my pilgrim journey,  
Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.*

*In my trials, Lord, walk with me;  
In my trials, Lord, walk with me;  
When my heart is almost breaking,  
Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.*

*When I'm in trouble, Lord, walk with me;  
When I'm in trouble, Lord, walk with me!  
When my head is bowed in sorrow,  
Lord, I want Jesus, yes, Jesus, to walk with me.*

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



### † 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.***



## † PRAYER OF DEDICATION

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*Sanctuary Choir*

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# Announcements

Week of May 18 – 24, 2025

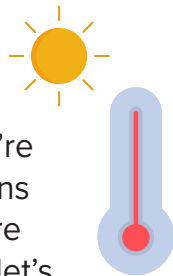
## GRADUATION SUNDAY

We're excited to honor the Class of 2025! If you have a student graduating from high school, college, or grad school, please send 1–2 photos, their name, future plans, and connection to Tab to [ARexroth@Carmelpsychotherapy.com](mailto:ARexroth@Carmelpsychotherapy.com) by May 25. A video tribute will be shared during worship on Sunday, June 8. Congratulations to all our graduates!



## OPEN DOOR FAN DISTRIBUTION

Help our neighbors stay cool this summer! Now through May 25, we're collecting new box fans or donations to buy them. Last year, 55 fans were shared through Open Door Café—let's see if we can do even more! Drop off fans in the mailroom or give them to Kristine Green. Fans will be shared on June 4. Questions? Reach out to Julie Kukolla at [jakukolla@icloud.com](mailto:jakukolla@icloud.com). Together, we can bring the gift of relief to those who need it most.



## SUMMER MUSICAL REHEARSALS

Rehearsals for our Children's Summer Musical kick off Sunday, June 1, with Wednesday rehearsals starting June 11—and we can't wait! Mark your calendar for the big performance on Sunday, August 17, at 11:15a in the Sanctuary, right after worship. Want to get involved or learn more? Contact Jennifer Wirt at [Jennifer.Wirt@tabpres.org](mailto:Jennifer.Wirt@tabpres.org).

## BUILDING CLOSURE: MEMORIAL DAY

In observance of Memorial Day, the church building will be closed all day on Monday, May 26. We honor and remember those who have given their lives in service to our country.

## ONE WORSHIP SERVICE NEXT SUNDAY

Next Sunday, May 25, we will gather for one worship service at 10a in the Sanctuary. Please note there will be no 8a Chapel service and no 9a Education Hour. We look forward to worshipping together as one church family!

## BUILD COMMUNITY WITH TABJAMS!

Be part of the energy this summer by lending a helping hand at TabJams! Volunteer at one, two, or all three TabJams concerts—June 8, July 13, and August 10. Help out with stage setup, hospitality, or cleanup while supporting our mission of *Building Stronger Community through Music*. It's a fun way to serve, connect, and enjoy great music. Volunteers even get a free t-shirt! To sign up or learn more, contact Sandy Roob at [sroob16@gmail.com](mailto:sroob16@gmail.com) or Eric Guion at [thistle3378@gmail.com](mailto:thistle3378@gmail.com).



## HELP MAKE VBS UNFORGETTABLE!

Want to make a difference and have fun doing it? Be a **Group Leader** or a **Marketplace Shopkeeper** at VBS! Serve one day or more—Shopkeepers just serve two! Learn more or register at [tabpres.org/VBS](http://tabpres.org/VBS).



# Calendar

May 18 – 24, 2025

## THIS WEEK AT TAB

### Sunday, May 18

- 8a Communion Service  
*McKee Chapel*
- 8:45a Coffee & Fellowship  
*McKee Hallway*
- 9a Session Information Meeting  
*Sanctuary*
- 9a Youth Education *Youth Room*
- 9a Children's Education  
*Lower Level*
- 10a Worship Service *Sanctuary*
- 10a Junior Church *Lower Level B*
- 11a Coffee & Fellowship *Parlor*
- 11a IMPACT Youth Group  
*Youth Room*

- 11a Children's Ministries Worker's  
Lunch *Lower Level B*
- 11:15a Sundays in the Library  
Ephesians Class  
*McWhirter Resource Center*

### Monday, May 19

- 11a Open Door Café *Dining Room*
- 6:30p Boy Scout Troop 72/721  
*Youth Room*
- 7p Cub Scout Pack 72  
*Lower Level*

### Tuesday, May 20

- 9:30a Women Alive *Parlor*
- 6:30p Prayer Meeting *McKee Chapel*
- 7p Session Meeting *Parlor*

### Wednesday, May 21

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

### Thursday, May 22

- 6p Circles *Dining Room, LLB*
- 6p Handbell Choir Rehearsal  
*Sanctuary*
- 7p Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal  
*Parlor*

### Friday, May 23

- 11a Open Door Café *Dining Room*

### Saturday, May 24

- 8a Men's Bible Study *Parlor*
- 10a Daughters of Dorcas  
*Session Room*

## FINANCIAL REPORT

### Month of April 2025

	Plan	Actual	Difference	
Income	\$847,648	\$885,181	\$37,532	Positive/Above
Expense	\$904,357	\$854,169	50,187	Positive/Below
Difference	\$56,708	\$31,011	\$87,719	

A snapshot of Tab's income and expenses for the month of April. Thank you for your continued support as we work together to carry out our mission and ministries.

**SUNDAYS 6-8 PM**  
**JUNE 8, JULY 13,**  
**AUGUST 10**

**BRING A LAWN CHAIR!**





**FREE FAMILY-FRIENDLY**  
**CONCERT SERIES, TAB PARK**  
**34TH & CENTRAL AVENUE**

**IN CASE OF RAIN**  
**CONCERT MOVES INSIDE TAB**



6/8  
**ROB DIXON**



7/13  
**MARK PAY**



8/10  
**STACI MCCRACKIN**



7/13  
**JAY THOMAS**



6/8  
**NATALIE MARQUE**

