



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 Adult Spiritual Growth Opportunities

Sunday Spiritual Growth Classes

Jesus' Parables | SUNDAYS 9-10a PARLOR

Discover Jesus' teachings through the fresh insight of 1st-century Jewish lens. Contact class leader, Mark John at beaconmark@gmail.com to join the discussion via livestream.

Ephesians | SUNDAYS 11:15a MCWHIRTER RESOURCE CENTER

Enjoy a free lunch-and-learn on Ephesians with BibleProject's Dr. Tim Mackie. Pre-register with Bart Ost at bartonbost@gmail.com.

Women's Tuesday Walkers

 | TUESDAYS 7:30a BLUE BRIDGE

Start your Tuesdays with a refreshing walk, good company, and coffee! Meet us at the Blue Bridge (56th & Illinois) and enjoy nature, conversation, and friendship. All women welcome! Contact Ellen Moeller at ellensmoeller@gmail.com with any questions.

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.

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:

Pentecost by Kelly Latimore

See the full weekly schedule of Spiritual Growth programming at tabpres.org/Adults.



8 o'clock Worship

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WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Graduation Sunday 2025

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Gathering In God's Name

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All: *Whom we worship now with Joy!*

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ASSURANCE OF GOD'S LOVE

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Proclaiming God's Word

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalms 40:1-8 | Pew Bible Page 446

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MESSAGE

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who is life's breath for all of earth's creatures,
who is the ground in which our lives flourish,
who is the mystery toward which we are drawn.

We believe in the risen Christ,
whose life is the way we see God made real,
whose death bears witness to the power of love,
whose presence nourishes our spirits each day.

We believe in the Holy Spirit,
who flows as a refreshing spring of life,
who comes as divine fire to energize the faithful,
who creates communities of joy and justice. 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.

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

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MOMENT FOR MISSION

Christian Union Soccer Club

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TIME OF PREPARATION

“Come, Holy Spirit, Come!” *Steve Kupferschmid*

*Like the murmur of the dove's song, like the challenge of her flight,
Like the vigor of the wind's rush, like the new flame's eager might:
Come! Holy Spirit, come!*

*To the members of Christ's body, to the branches of the Vine,
To the church in faith assembled, to her midst as gift and sign:
Come, Holy Spirit, come!*

*Come, Holy Spirit, like the murmur of the dove,
Come like the vigor of the wind.
Come, Holy Spirit, as a witness to God's love,
Holy Spirit, come!*

*With the healing of division, with the ceaseless voice of prayer,
With the power to love and witness, with the peace beyond compare:
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CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

ANTHEM

“Come, Holy Spirit, Heavenly Dove” *David Ashley White*

*Come, Holy Spirit, heavenly dove, with all thy quickening powers;
Kindle a flame of sacred love in these cold hearts of ours.*

*In vain we tune our formal songs, in vain we strive to rise,
Hosannas languish on our tongues and our devotion dies.*

*Dear Lord, and shall we ever live at this poor dying rate?
Our love so faint so cold to thee, and thine to us so great!*

*Come, Holy Spirit, heavenly dove, with all thy quickening powers.
Come, shed abroad a Savior's love, and that shall kindle ours.
Amen.*

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RECEIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

“Bourree” J. S. Bach

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



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Ann Mozina, Flute

Sanctuary Choir

Tabernacle Handbell Choir

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Announcements

Week of June 8–14, 2025

TABJAMS IS TODAY!

Let the fun begin **tonight** with the first of three free summer concert series in Tab Park from 6-8pm. Saxophonist Rob Dixon will get things rolling with his jazzy sounds. Rising star and soulful vocalist Natalie Marque will also take the stage. In case of rain, the concert will be held in the Sanctuary. TabJams is part of Tab's mission to build community with our neighbors. For more information, contact Sandy Roob at sroob16@gmail.com or Eric Guion at thistle3378@gmail.com.

WELCOME REGGIE MARTIN TO TAB REC!

We're excited to welcome **Reggie Martin** as the new Executive Director of Tab Recreation, starting **tomorrow, June 9!** Let's greet him with warm smiles, friendly introductions, and a spirit of welcome that reflects Tab's values. Reggie brings passion, leadership, experience, and a deep heart for the community. We're glad to have him on the team!

ONE WEEK UNTIL VBS 2025!

Vacation Bible School is almost here, and we want you to be part of the adventure! Join us **June 16–20** for a fun-filled week—but pre-registration is **required**. Visit tabpres.org/VBS to reserve your spot today!

FRESH STOP RETURNS!

The first Fresh Stop pickup is **Saturday June 28**, from 10–11am at Raphael Health Center. Order your share of fresh, chemical-free produce at freshstop.org by June 22—and consider signing up for the full season! Even if you miss a week, your payment can be shared or donated, making the most of every harvest. Questions or want to volunteer? Contact Sally John at sallybjohn@gmail.com.

SACRED CONCERTS WITH PAVEL & LEAH

Join us on **Sunday, June 29**, at 4pm in our Sanctuary for a Sacred Concert in support of Music Ed Fest 2025! This inspiring afternoon of music from Pavel & Leah along with the choir from Covenant Community Church will uplift the spirit and help raise funds to support young musicians in the Dominican Republic. Come enjoy beautiful performances while making a meaningful impact through the gift of music. All are welcome!

SUPPORT CUSC IN COLOMBIA

The Session has approved a Minute for Mission and direct appeal for the Christian Union Sports Club (CUSC) in Medellín, Colombia, and Tab supported missionary Mark Wittig. CUSC is building a community center in one of Medellín's poorest areas. Originally funded by their brownie business, a new 39% sugar tax has cut off profits. The partially built center now needs \$35,000 to complete. To help, donate at tabpres.org/giving and select "Wittig Mission Fund," or write a check to Tab with "**CUSC, Wittig Mission**" in the memo line.

STAY CONNECTED WITH REALM

Realm is your go-to tool for staying up to date with everything happening at Tab. Log in today and start connecting! Visit onrealm.org/tabpres, scan the QR code, or download the **Realm Connect** mobile app to get started! Have questions or need help logging in? Contact Jenny Sturgis at frontdesk@tabpres.org.



Congratulations!

2025 GRADUATES

PLEASE JOIN US IN CELEBRATING EACH OF THESE EXCEPTIONAL STUDENTS

High School Graduates



KARIS CRANE is a graduate of Herron High School and will be attending the University of Arizona in Tucson. Karis is the daughter of Leah and Jeff Crane.



ELIZA HOWE is a graduate from Center Grove High School and will be attending Butler University, where she plans to major in Music Education and Vocal Performance. Eliza is the daughter of Katy Kauffman Howe, granddaughter of Matt and Debbie Kauffman, and great-granddaughter of Nina Kauffman.



ADRIANA LINK is a graduate from Greenfield High School and will be attending Ivy Tech, where she plans to major in Nursing. Adriana is the daughter of Stephanie and Ray Link, and the granddaughter of Debby Pardue Wessel and Dennis Wessel.

College Graduates



SAGE FEDOR is a graduate from Lincoln Tech with a certification in Welding. Sage is the daughter of Chris and Christine Fedor.



ISAIAH LINK is a graduate from IU Indianapolis with a Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice and a Bachelor of Arts in Philosophy. He is currently employed by Charles Schwab. Isaiah is the son of Stephanie and Ray Link, and the grandson of Debby Pardue Wessel and Dennis Wessel.



MADISON MAYO is a graduate from Purdue University with a Bachelor of Arts in Education. Madison is the granddaughter of Al and Becky Mayo.

Calendar

June 8–14, 2025

THIS WEEK AT TAB

Sunday, June 8

- 8a Communion Service
McKee Chapel
- 8:45a Coffee & Fellowship
McKee Hallway
- 9a Spiritual Growth Class *Parlor*
- 9a Youth Education *Youth Room*
- 9a Children's Education
Lower Level
- 10a Worship Service *Sanctuary*
- 10a Junior Church *LLB*
- 11a Coffee & Fellowship *Parlor*
- 11a IMPACT Youth Group
Youth Room
- 11:15a Spiritual Growth Class
Resource Center
- 6p TabJams *Tab Park*

Monday, June 9

- 11a Open Door Café *Dining Room*
- 5:30p Facilities Committee Mtg
Session Room

Tuesday, June 10

- 7:30a Women's Tuesday Walkers
Offsite
- 5p Budget & Finance Mtg
Session Room
- 6:30p Tuesdays in Prayer
McKee Chapel
- 7p Children's Committee Mtg *LLB*
- 7:15p Worship Committee Mtg
Session Room

Wednesday, June 11

- 9:30a Pastors' Bible Study *Parlor*
- 11a Open Door Café *Dining Room*
- 6:30p Children's Musical Rehearsal
Lower Level B

Thursday, June 12

- 11a Oak Street Health at
Open Door *Dining Room*
- 6p Circles *Dining Room, LLB*

Friday, June 13

- 11a Open Door Café *Dining Room*

Saturday, June 14

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

SESSION UPDATE

Session met for a Special Session on Tuesday, June 3, to receive a report from Denomination Education Task Force Chair Andrew Hart, which was discussed at length. Elders also heard from Center for Healthy Churches consultants Michelle Snyder and Dr. Reginald Wells, who shared their proposal for the creation of a transition plan for Tab. After discussion, Session approved CHC's professional service agreement for a "Transition Planning Retreat" to be held on July 12, after which a Transition Plan Report will be made available for Session review. Elders were also glad to welcome the Rev. Dr. Steve Smith, who was in attendance at the meeting.

Questions? Feel free to contact Clerk of Session Sharon Marshall at bscpmarsh@yahoo.com.

PASTORAL TRANSITION UPDATE & UPCOMING PULPIT SCHEDULE

Pastor Smutz's 18-month interim ministry concludes on June 30. We're grateful for the wisdom and leadership he has shared with us and wish him well as he returns to his family in St. Louis. His final sermon will be on June 22, with a guest preacher on June 29.

Here's the upcoming preaching schedule through July:

- **June 29 & July 6 – Rev. Eric Lange**, son of Tab and PC(USA) pastor in Colorado Springs
- **July 13 – Tim Ayers**, retired teaching pastor from Grace Community Church (Noblesville)
- **July 20 – Rev. John Person**, former Tab associate pastor (1978–89), now retired in Chicago
- **July 27 – Rev. Dr. Steve Smith**, preaching for the first time as our new interim associate pastor