



TAB

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 & Development | SUNDAYS 9-10a PARLOR

NOTHING "MINOR" ABOUT THE MINOR PROPHETS!

Come join us this Sunday at 9am in the Parlor as we continue our study of the Minor Prophets, focusing this week on the book of Micah. All are welcome!

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.

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

For the next four weeks, join Rev. Tim Ayers for a welcoming and engaging time of exploring the Gospel of Luke. Come as you are!

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.

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by Eric Feather

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



8 o'clock Worship

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As the Prelude begins, we invite you to use this time to quiet your heart, reflect on God's presence in your life, and remember Christ's promise of redemption. Thanks be to God on this Lord's Day.

PRELUDE

"Prelude in C Major" *J.S. Bach*

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS | Rev. Dr. Steven Smith

MINUTE FOR MISSION | Betsy Morse

Mid-North Food Pantry

† **GREETING ONE ANOTHER**

"Come, Thou Almighty King" *Italian Hymn*

*Come, thou almighty King, help us thy name to sing;
help us to praise:
Father, all glorious, o'er all victorious,
come, and reign over us,
Ancient of Days.*

Gathering In God's Name

† **CALL TO WORSHIP | Rev. Dr. Steven Smith**

Leader: Friends, let us worship God today, for God is great –

People: **God has blessed us with life, with faith, and with community.**

Leader: Let us worship God today, for God is good –

People: **God forgives us, and encourages us, and loves us.**

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People: **As we remember and celebrate the promise of eternity in communion with him.**

Leader: As we gather this day,

All: **Let us worship God with all of our hearts, minds and souls.**

† **HYMN #1**

"Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!" *Nicaea*

CALL TO CONFESSION | Rev. Dr. Steven Smith

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, you pardon all who truly repent and turn to you. We humbly confess our sins and ask your mercy. We have not loved you with a pure heart, nor have we loved our neighbor as ourselves. We have not done justice, loved kindness, or walked humbly with you, our God. Have mercy on us, O God, in your loving-kindness. In your great compassion, cleanse us from our sin. Create in us a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within us. Do not cast us from your presence, or take your Holy Spirit from us. Restore to us the joy of your salvation and sustain us with your bountiful Spirit. As we come before your throne hear the prayers of our hearts as we confess our sin.

MOMENT OF SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: In the Name of Christ and by the authority of his word – that even when you were dead in your transgressions – you have been made alive together with Christ. He has raised you up with him, and I declare to you that God, being rich in mercy, has forgiven all of your sins. Rest in the promise of God that our sins are no more.

All: *Thanks be to God. Amen!*

† GLORIA PATRI/Hymnal #581 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.*

Proclaiming God's Word

SCRIPTURE READING | Rev. Dr. Steven Smith

Genesis 2:18-20 | Pew Bible Page 2

SCRIPTURE READING | Rev. Dr. John Person

John 17:1-5, 20-23 | Pew Bible Page 879

RESPONSE

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE | Rev. Dr. John Person

Created for Community

Responding to God's Word

† AFFIRMATION OF FAITH/The Apostles' Creed | Rev. Dr. Steven Smith

*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 | Rev. Dr. Steven Smith

“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;
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(Refrain)*

PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER | Rev. Dr. Steven Smith

*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 #300

"We Are One in the Spirit" They'll Know We Are Christians

† BENEDICTION | Rev. Dr. John Person

† POSTLUDE

"Fuge in C Major" J.S. Bach

Please join us in McKee Hallway immediately following worship for Coffee & Conversation.

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Rev. Dr. Steven Smith, Interim Associate Pastor

Joshua Ridenour, Organist

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CHILDREN'S MUSICAL SELECTION

“Shadrach” *Buryl Red*

(Featured singers: Frantz Lynn, Matty Hunt, Alistair Hunt, and Tommy Summers)

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE | Rev. Dr. John Person

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OFFERTORY

“Redeemer”

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“Believe for It”

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



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Today's Worship Participants

Rev. Dr. John Person, Guest Pastor

Rev. Dr. Steven Smith, Interim Associate Pastor

Elder Byron Robinson (Missions), Liturgist

Leah Crane and Staci McCrackin, Vocals

Rob Dixon, Sax

Steve Dokken, Bass

Pavel Polanco-Safadit, Piano

Larry Sauer, Percussion

Announcements

Week of August 10–16, 2025

TABJAMS FINALE TONIGHT!

We're closing out our free, family-friendly concert series with a tribute to the Queen of Rock 'n' Roll—Tina Turner! **Staci McCrackin** and her all-star band will bring the hits, heart, and soul of Tina's legendary music. Join us at Tab Park **tonight** from 6–8pm—bring your favorite people, a lawn chair, and a picnic. In case of rain, the concert may be moved into the Sanctuary. It's the perfect finale to a summer of music and community!

SUMMER MUSICAL DRESS REHEARSAL

All students participating in the summer musical should attend dress rehearsal **this Wednesday, August 13**, from 5:30–8pm. A pizza dinner will be served at 5:30pm for those who can arrive early, and we'll run through the entire show in the Sanctuary at 6pm.

SUMMER MUSICAL PERFORMANCE & ICE CREAM SOCIAL

Tab's elementary students have been hard at work all summer preparing songs, lines, dances, and instruments for this year's musical, *Cool in the Furnace*. The performance will take place after the 10am worship service **next Sunday, August 17**. It's free and open to the entire Tab family and guests. Following the show, Children's Ministries will host an Ice Cream Social in the Dining Room, featuring cookies and classic ice cream sodas. Don't miss this joyful celebration!

TEEN HELPER TRAINING

Calling all students in grades 6–12! You're invited once again to make a big impact by serving once a month in the Ones/Twos nursery or Preschool Class through our Teen Helper program! Build connections, earn service hours, and be a hero to our youngest kids. Join us for training, room sign-ups, snacks, and door prizes on **Sunday, August 24**, in Lower Level B after Sanctuary worship.

FAMILY FUN NIGHT IN THE PARK!

Join us for a churchwide picnic on **Sunday, August 24**, from 4:30–7pm, hosted by Children's Ministries! Enjoy a delicious cookout full of laughter, fun games, and activities like croquet, cornhole, soccer, frisbee contests, and a water balloon toss. Bring your lawn chairs and favorite beverages—we'll provide the rest. It's the perfect way to wrap up summer with food, fun, and fellowship for all ages!

LEND A HAND AT MID-NORTH FOOD PANTRY

Mid-North Food Pantry has several volunteer opportunities available! Help with pantry setup or food distribution on select Saturdays (Aug. 16, Sept. 20, Oct. 18, Nov. 15), assist with garden harvests on Monday mornings, or support food deliveries on Tuesday and Thursday mornings. Shifts are flexible, and volunteers of all ages and abilities are welcome! Sign up for a Saturday shift at midnorthfoodpantry.org/volunteer, or email Vicky (garden) at vprusinski@gmail.com, or inquire with the Pantry Manager about food deliveries at manager@midnorthfoodpantry.org.

OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY

Our sympathy is extended to the family of Bob and Leslie Willsey on the passing of their daughter-in-law, Jennifer Willsey, on July 25. Services were held on Saturday, August 2, in Whiteland, Indiana. Please keep the Willsey family, and especially their son, Blake, and grandchildren, Gideon, Ariella and Judah, in your prayers.

PASTOR BIO

This morning, we again welcome **Rev. Dr. John Person** as our guest preacher. John served at Tab from 1978–1989 as Associate Pastor for Youth and Education. He now lives in Glenview, IL, where he and his wife, Nancy, volunteer at Winnetka Presbyterian Church. They have two adult children and two grandchildren.

UPCOMING PULPIT SCHEDULE

- August 17 – Rev. Stan Johnson
- August 24 – Rev. Glenn McDonald
- August 31 – Rev. Dr. Steve Smith
- September 7 – Rev. Dr. John Person

Learn more at tabpres.org/TabJams

TAB JAMS
CONCERT SERIES

JOIN US FOR THE FINALE!
August 10
6-8 PM • Tab Park

Learn more at tabpres.org/Children

CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES
Summer Musical
Sunday, August 17
11:30 AM | SANCTUARY

FAMILY FUN NIGHT
All Church Picnic
Sunday, August 24
4:30 - 7 PM | TAB PARK

Calendar

Week of August 10–16, 2025

THIS WEEK AT TAB

Sunday, August 10

- 8a Communion Service
McKee Chapel
- 8:45a Coffee & Conversation
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 & Conversation *Parlor*
- 11a IMPACT Youth Group
Youth Room
- 6p TabJams *Tab Park*

Monday, August 11

- 11a Open Door Café *Dining Room*
- 4:30p Endowment Fund Board Mtg
Parlor
- 5:30p Facilities Cmte Mtg
Session Room

Tuesday, August 12

- 7:30a Women's Tuesday Walkers
Offsite
- 1p Tab Tutoring Organizational Meeting
Lower Level A
- 5p Budget & Finance Meeting
Session Room
- 6:30p Tuesdays in Prayer
McWhirter Resource Center
- 6:30p Communications Cmte Mtg
Parlor
- 7p Children's Cmte Mtg *LLB*
- 7:15p Worship Cmte Mtg
Session Room

Wednesday, August 13

- 9:30a Pastors' Bible Study *Parlor*
- 11a Open Door Café *Dining Room*
- 5:30p Summer Musical Dress Rehearsal *LLB, Sanctuary*

Thursday, August 14

- 6p Circles *Dining Room, LLB*

Friday, August 15

- 11a Open Door Café *Dining Room*

Saturday, August 16

- 8a Men's Bible Study *Parlor*