



# 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. 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](mailto:ellensmoeller@gmail.com) with any questions.

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

Join us in September as Dr. Tim Ayers leads our time of exploring God's Word. Come prepared for lively discussion as we delve into spiritual truths contained in scripture.

**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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*Jesus Healing the Leper*  
by Jean-Marie Melchior Doze

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



# 8 o'clock Worship

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"Praise and Thanksgiving" *Dale Wood*

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS | Rev. Dr. Steven Smith

### † 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,  
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## Gathering In God's Name

### † CALL TO WORSHIP/Psalm 100 | Rev. Dr. Steven Smith

Leader: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.

People: Worship the Lord with gladness;  
Come into his presence with singing.

Leader: Know that the Lord is God,  
It is he that made us and we are his;

People: We are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

Leader: Enter his gates with thanksgiving,  
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All: *Come, let us worship God!*

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### UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

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*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. All of these prayers and the prayers of our hearts we lift to you in these quiet moments.*

### MOMENT OF SILENT CONFESSION

#### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader:       The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting.  
I declare to you, in the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.  
May the God of mercy, who forgives you all your sins,  
strengthen you in all goodness,  
and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

**All:**           *Thanks be to God. Amen!*

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## Proclaiming God's Word

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# Responding to God's Word

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maker of heaven and earth:  
And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord,  
Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,  
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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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## ANTHEM

“Nothin’ Gonna Stumble My Feet” *Greg Gilpin*

*I been a-walkin’ with the Lord for many a day.  
Nothin’ gonna stumble, stumble my feet.  
Tryin’ to abide in the straight and narrow way.  
Nothin’ gonna stumble, stumble my feet.  
But when my time on earth is done and I hear my name,  
Oh, when my time on earth is done these weary feet are gonna run.  
Not gonna stammer, not gonna trip, not gonna stumble,  
No, I’m not gonna slip.  
No nothin’ gonna stumble my feet when I go to walk that golden street.  
Now the devil is a liar and a cheater, too,  
Nothin’ gonna stumble, stumble my feet.  
And if he gets his way, he’ll make a slider out of you.  
Nothin’ gonna stumble, stumble my feet.  
But if you listen for the Spirit’s voice in the moment of truth,  
Oh, if you listen for the Spirit’s voice,  
He’ll help you make the right choice.  
Not gonna stammer, not gonna trip, not gonna stumble  
No, I’m not gonna slip.  
No nothin’ gonna stumble, stumble my feet when I go to walk that golden street.  
Not gonna waver, falter, sway or fall.  
Not gonna tumble or slide.  
Not gonna waver, falter, sway or fall.  
Not gonna stumble at all!  
Not gonna stumble, no, I’m not gonna slip,  
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For those not using the  
offering plate, you can give  
by texting **TABPRES** to 73256  
or using the QR code.



## OFFERTORY

“Bound For Jubilee” Joyce Elaine Eilers

*Hallelu, hallelu, I am on my way, bound for Jubilee!*

*Oh my brother, won't you come with me?*

*Oh my sister, you must come today.*

*Oh my brother, won't you come with me?*

*Or the devil might come and take you away 'fore you get to Jubilee!*

*Hallelu! Hallelu! Bound for Jubilee!*

*My Lord's callin', I must go with him.*

*Can't you hear him callin' you today?*

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## † DOXOLOGY | Hymnal #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 | Elder Bernice Corley

**All:** *Heavenly Father, we thank you for your abundant grace and generosity to us as your children. As we give of our lives, our resources and our thanks today, open our hearts to be more generous, reflecting a love that is as deep as the love you share with us. Bless these offerings to further your kingdom, and bless us as cheerful believers and children of your kingdom. Amen.*

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*Elder Bernice Corley (Missions), Liturgist*

*Matt Kauffman, Minister of Music*

*Joshua Ridenour, Organist*

*Vocalists: Dan Andersen, Scott Bradford, Gordon Dunne,  
Zachary Kaylor, Andrew Keeler, Ben Mandresh, Mike O'Banyel,  
Nathaniel Paul, Bob Willsey, Cora Winstead*

### PASTOR BIO

The **Rev. Dr. Stan Johnson**, born and raised in Salinas, California, is a Presbyterian pastor with degrees from U.C. Berkeley, Princeton Theological Seminary, the University of Notre Dame, and Louisville Theological Seminary. He has pastored in California, Indiana, and Massachusetts; and prior to ordination, he ministered among university students in Southern California. He now serves as the Parish Associate at Zionsville Presbyterian Church and has been trained as a spiritual director.

He has had a lifelong appreciation for the Scriptures, combined with a fifty-year appreciation for and use of New Testament Greek. He has been shaped by the writings of C.S. Lewis, Dietrich Bonhoeffer, John Calvin, and Karl Barth, as well as Jane Austen, Chaim Potok, and Shusaku Endo.

He has published *The Great Opening: A Working Resource to Mark's Gospel* (Amazon, translated into Romanian and Lango) and *The Sent One: A Working*

*Resource to John's Gospel* (Amazon, translated into Romanian). He hopes to finish and publish *The Legends of Anapua: Brine Inlet, Masada Ridge, Morah Falls, and The Narrows*, as well as additional working resources.

For decades, he has had an abiding passion for pastors who serve in impoverished settings and/or have very limited resources. He therefore travels annually to Romania and Uganda to encourage others who shepherd in the name of Christ. Initially, the working resources he has written were created for such pastors.

With his wife Mary—his great friend and champion—and their three grown children and spouses, they delight in their seven grandchildren. They now live in Zionsville, Indiana.

# Announcements

Week of August 17–23, 2025

## TODAY! SUMMER MUSICAL & ICE CREAM SOCIAL

Join us after today's 10am service for *Cool in the Furnace*, presented by Tab's elementary students. Then enjoy cookies and classic ice cream sodas in the Dining Room. All are welcome!

## FAMILY FUN NIGHT IN THE PARK!

Join us for a churchwide picnic **next 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!

## 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 **next Sunday, August 24**, in Lower Level B after Sanctuary worship.

## LIFT YOUR VOICE: SANCTUARY CHOIR

Weekly Sanctuary Choir rehearsals begin **Thursday, August 28**, from 7:15–8:45pm in the Parlor. All singers high school age and up are welcome to join us in lifting voices in praise during Sunday worship and special services. Interested? Come on August 28 and we'll get you set up!

## FUN FACT ABOUT THE TAB GOLF CLASSIC!

Did you know the Tab Golf Classic is open to all ages? Kids can join the scramble as part of your team—just note that only players 16+ can drive a golf cart. Make it a family affair this year on **September 20!**

## OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY

Our sympathy is extended to the family of Rev. John and Kris Gable on the passing of his mother, **Jackie Gable**, in St. Louis on August 12 at the age of 101. Arrangements are pending, and we will keep the Tab family informed as more details are received. Please keep John, Kris, and the Gable family in your thoughts and your prayers.

# Calendar

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## THIS WEEK AT TAB

### Sunday, August 17

- 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 IMPACT Youth Group  
*Youth Room*
- 11a Coffee & Conversation *Parlor*
- 11:30a Children's Musical *Sanctuary*
- 12p Ice Cream Social *Dining Room*

### Monday, August 18

- 11a Open Door Café *Dining Room*

### Tuesday, August 19

- 7:30a Women's Tuesday Walkers  
*Offsite*
- 6:30p Tuesdays in Prayer  
*McWhirter Resource Center*
- 7p Session Meeting *Parlor*

### Wednesday, August 20

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

### Thursday, August 21

- 6p Circles *Dining Room, LLB*

### Friday, August 22

- 11a Open Door Café *Dining Room*

### Saturday, August 23

- 8a Men's Bible Study *Parlor*
- 10a Daughters of Dorcas  
*Session Room*
- 10a Fresh Stop Pick Up *Offsite*

## UPCOMING PULPIT SCHEDULE

- **August 24**  
Rev. Glenn McDonald
- **August 31**  
Rev. Dr. Steve Smith
- **September 7**  
Rev. Dr. John Person
- **September 14**  
Pastor Jerry Van Auken