

Adult Discipleship—Cultural Conversations: Jesus and Israel, Fellowship Hall
Why is there all this talk about Israel? How should we as Christians define Israel and what is our responsibility to Israel? Join us in the Fellowship Hall at 10:00 for a Cultural Conversation on Israel. Send questions to Kyle@tab-pres.org.

Children and Youth Discipleship Classes

Toddlers (2's & 3's) meet in the classroom across from the nursery. Pre-K through grade 6 meet in designated classrooms on the Sunday School wing. Middle and high school classes are in the youth room.

Youth Group will not meet this week.

Mercy Offering—Today

The **Tab Mercy Ministry** is dedicated to distributing mercy fund resources guided by the principles of Redemptive Compassion through Love INC. This fund has been established to offer **short-term and emergency financial assistance** to those in need.

Cleaning Product Donations Collected During Month of September

This month we are providing **cleaning product** voucher items, with an emphasis on **glass cleaner** and **sanitizing wipes**, but welcome other items, as well (liquid hand soap, laundry soap, all-purpose cleaner). A container will be in the foyer.

Brewing Up Blessings: A Women’s Tea—Today! 2:00–3:30, Fellowship Hall

Join us for an afternoon of fellowship, desserts, and encouragement. Come enjoy a variety of teas and treats while learning more about our Women’s Ministry. All women are welcome. Bring a friend! RSVP via Evite or email Ashwynn_Halbert@yahoo.com

Redemptive Compassion, a Christ-centered approach that encourages lasting life transformation, is holding two 8-week classes beginning **Monday, Sep 8, 6-8 p.m.** in Tab’s fellowship hall, and **Thursday, Oct 2, 10 a.m. - noon** at the Love INC offices (2296 Jefferson Hwy, Ste. 108) Register at redemptivecompassion.org.

Baby Shower for Katie Dell—Saturday, Sep 13, 2:00 p.m. Fellowship Hall (Please note this is a Saturday event rather than our typical Sunday event). Ladies, please join us as we celebrate the upcoming birth of a baby girl to Parker and Katie and big sister Rosalie. The Dells are registered on Amazon (use October birth month).

Men (55-and-Over) Lunch Fellowship—Thursday, Sep 18, 12:00 Noon

Men over 55 are invited to attend a fellowship lunch at Panera Bread. Gather first in the conference room for prayer. Questions? Call Ron Pantuck (508-641-2022) or Fred Rakness (678-787-4450).

Men's Discipleship Day — Saturday, Sep 20, 8 am-4 pm, Fellowship Hall

Join us for the day to be equipped with tools and resources for discipleship growing. The morning sessions will be followed by lunch and an afternoon of fellowship. Find details and RSVP at tab-pres.org. Questions? Reach out to Nickcgrow@gmail.com.

Women’s Fall Studies! Three ways to sign up: go to tab-pres.org, call the leaders listed below, or reach out to Jeanne Brissett (770-891-7893). Books and/or study materials will be handed out by the leaders.

- **Tuesday AM 9:30 —Begins Sep 9**, Fellowship Hall
Studying: *Romans*, with Janelle Elliott (540-480-8817)
- **Wednesday PM 7:00 —Begins Sep 10**, Leaders’ home every other week
Book: *Just Open the Door* by Jen Schmidt explores hospitality and women, with Emily Babish (540-520-5338) and Susanne Derrick (540-280-2991).
- **Sunday PM 4:00 —Begins Sep 14**, Fellowship Hall
Book: *Unhitching from the Crazy Train: Finding Rest in a World You Can’t Control* by Julie Sparkman, with Beth Zarlenga (540-246-6465)

Save the Date:

Sep 14 Vision Meeting Oct 26 Chili Cook-Off
Oct 4 Fall Service Day Nov 15 Affordable Christmas Market

Thank you for worshiping with us today!

Please let us know you’re here by scanning the QR code below.

NEW HERE?

We want to welcome you! Please receive a Tab Gift Bag in the Foyer and stick around to meet some new people!

HAVE QUESTIONS?

Go to **tab-pres.org** for more information, to listen to sermons, and to access the church calendar. You can also contact us at 540-932-1778 or office@tab-pres.org.



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THE LORD’S DAY

September 7, 2025

Dear Saints,
Hypocrisy is always gloomy. It survives on scraps, instead of feasting on the Bread of Life. Genuine Christianity always carries with it a secret joy, a blessedness that isn’t dependent on circumstantial abundance and things going our way. It is satisfied in Jesus, and hungers more for His Kingdom than this world.

His and yours,



Franz Messerschmidt, “A Hypocrite and a Slanderer”
(ca. 1770–83, tin alloy)

“How can you live with the terrifying thought that the hurricane has become human, that fire has become flesh, that life itself became life and walked in our midst?”—N.T. Wright

“[B]read magnifies Christ in two ways: by being eaten with gratitude for his goodness, and by being forfeited out of hunger for God himself. When we eat, we taste the emblem of our heavenly food—the Bread of Life. And when we fast we say, ‘I love the Reality above the emblem.’ In the heart of the saint both eating and fasting are worship. Both magnify Christ. Both send the heart-grateful and yearning—to the Giver. Each has its appointed place, and each has its danger. The danger of eating is that we fall in love with the gift; the danger of fasting is that we belittle the gift and glory in our willpower.”
—John Piper, *A Hunger for God*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS | Essen Daley

HYMN OF GATHERING | *Holy, Holy, Holy!* | Hymn #100

CALL TO WORSHIP | Psalm 98:1-2, 4 | Taylor McPherson

Leader: The LORD reigns; let the peoples tremble! He sits enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth quake! The LORD is great in Zion; he is exalted over the peoples. Let them praise your great and awesome name!

People: Holy is he!

Leader: Exalt the LORD our God; worship at his footstool!

People: Holy is he!

SONG OF PRAISE | *Bring Praises*

INVOCATION AND 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 trespasses,
As we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
But deliver us from evil;
For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever.
Amen.

SONG OF ADORATION | *Jesus! What a Friend of Sinners!*

Children’s Church will not meet this Sunday.

SCRIPTURE READING & LORD’S PRAYER | Matthew 6:16-18

16 “And when you fast, do not look gloomy like the hypocrites, for they disfigure their faces that their fasting may be seen by others. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. 17 But when you fast, anoint your head and wash your face, 18 that your fasting may not be seen by others but by your Father who is in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

SERMON | Hungering for the Kingdom

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY | *Come, You Disconsolate*

PREPARATION FOR THE LORD’S SUPPER

RECEIVING COMMUNING MEMBER | Kyle Kockler

This morning we receive **Brooks Pearson**, son of Adam and Lindsey Pearson, and **Quinn Donald**, son of Vinnie and Karen Donald, and **Josh and Elise Clark** as communing members of Tabernacle Presbyterian Church.

MEMBERSHIP VOWS | *PCA Book of Church Order* (57-5)

- A. Do you acknowledge yourself to be a sinner in the sight of God, justly deserving His displeasure, and without hope save in His sovereign mercy?
- B. Do you believe in the Lord Jesus Christ as the Son of God, and Savior of sinners, and do you receive and rest upon Him alone for salvation as He is offered in the Gospel?
- C. Do you now resolve and promise, in humble reliance upon the grace of the Holy Spirit, that you will endeavor to live as becomes a follower of Christ?
- D. Do you promise to support the church in its worship and work to the best of your ability?
- E. Do you submit yourself to the government and discipline of the church, and promise to study its purity and peace?

CONFESSION OF SIN | Psalm 51:1-3

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions. Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin! For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON | Psalm 130:7-8

O Israel, hope in the LORD! For with the LORD there is steadfast love, and with him is plentiful redemption. And he will redeem Israel from all his iniquities.

ACCLAMATION OF FAITH

Leader: Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

People: Christ has died.
Christ has risen.
Christ will come again. Alleluia!

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

Jesus invites us all, indeed the whole world, to His table. Those who wish to receive His invitation must first believe in Jesus through the gospel, be set apart by Jesus through baptism, and be united to Jesus through membership in a congregation that believes and rejoices in the gospel.

If you are not yet ready to receive the Lord’s Supper, please see one of the elders after the service and we will gladly help you to prepare.

All of the communion bread is gluten free.

Wine and grape juice are both available for Communion, according to your preference. Wine is around the outside of the serving tray; juice in the middle.

During the Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper you are invited to sing or meditate on the following songs and hymns:

SONG OF APPROACH | *I Hear the Words of Love*
When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

HYMN OF RESPONSE | *Come, Christian, Join to Sing*

COMMISSIONING

Leader: Let us go forth to serve the world as those who love our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ!

People: THANKS BE TO GOD!

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