



LYNDALE BAPTIST CHURCH

OCTOBER 2026 NEWSLETTER

LETTER FROM THE PASTOR

Can it really be the start of the last quarter of the year? Time seems to go by fast, especially in church life! It is always wonderful and little bit amazing, yet as Christians, we know that God is in charge of it all.

Back in April, our church went through some changes that made a lot of folks uneasy. It began a season that we really had to trust in what God is doing. Through it all He remains faithful to His good plan, providing us with hope and trust each day on Him! I heard someone say, "you find out what your rock is when you hit rock bottom." In those seasons, you learn pretty quickly what or who your rock is, and when it's God, you find that in your weakness, you continue to see His faithfulness and strength. As the Apostle Paul had said: *"If I am to boast about anything, I will boast all the more in my weaknesses, so that Christ's power may rest on me"* [2 Corinthians 12:9b-10].

I was reading a devotional this passed week and the author said he was on a trip over in England, when he noticed brick fences that were made in a wavy pattern. He thought in his mind, all fences should be straight!

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He asked one of the farmers why they were built that way and his reply was, "A straight fence is not sturdy enough to stand strong unless it is the thickness of at least two layers of bricks. Straight brick fences are often reinforced as well with posts to support them. However, a wavy one-brick fence stands fine on its own due to the arch support provided by its wavy shape. Plus, there is an added benefit of how interesting it looks!"

Sounds a little like what Lyndale's going through, our path has some curves in it! May be God wants it that way, so we will be strong enough to stand the trials that our church might go through. Change is always coming at us, but we can be like that wavy fence and be grounded and strong knowing the Spirit of God is walking with us, giving us the strength for whatever is ahead.

Life thrown you any curves lately? Don't fuss at them, they are making you stronger! Would love to see you'll at church! God bless each of you.

In His service,

Joe Abell



Joe Abell
Interim Pastor
Lyndale Baptist Church

SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE

10:30 AM (In-Person & Virtual Live Attendance)

Facebook: [Facebook.com/LyndaleOnHullST](https://www.facebook.com/LyndaleOnHullST)

YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/@lyndalebaptistchurch6109>

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

WEDNESDAY - FRIDAY
9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

SECRETARY HOURS

WEDNESDAY - FRIDAY
9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

CONTACT US

If anyone needs help with anything, please call your deacon or the church office.

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CHURCH MEETINGS & EVENTS

LyndaleBaptistChurch.org/events



OCT 1 - 8

THU	Oct 1	6:00 PM	Choir Practice
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OCT 5 - 10

MON	Oct 5	5:00 PM	Pastor Church Team
MON	Oct 5	7:00 PM	Deacon Meeting
TUE	Oct 6	10:00 AM	Coffee Meetup
WED	Oct 7	7:30 PM	ZOOM Prayer & Devotional *
THU	Oct 8	6:00 PM	Choir Practice
FRI	Oct 9	4:00 PM	Free Community Dinner
SAT	Oct 10	7:30 AM	Pennies for Heaven

OCT 11 - 17

SUN	Oct 11	2:30 PM	MDBA Meeting
MON	Oct 12	5:00 PM	Pastor Search Team
MON	Oct 12	6:30 PM	Leadership Team
WED	Oct 14	7:30 PM	ZOOM Prayer & Devotional *
THU	Oct 15	6:00 PM	Choir Practice

OCT 18 - 24

SUN	Oct 18	1:00 PM	Annual Business Meeting
MON	Oct 19	7:00 PM	Ruth Beale Circle
WED	Oct 21	7:30 PM	ZOOM Prayer & Devotional *
THU	Oct 22	6:00 PM	Choir Practice

OCT 25 - 31

SUN	Oct 25	11:30 AM	Luncheon for Pastor Joe & Alice
TUE	Oct 27	10:00 AM	Senior Luncheon @ Elkhardt Baptist
WED	Oct 28	7:30 PM	ZOOM Prayer & Devotional *
THU	Oct 29	6:00 PM	Choir Practice

* Please contact LyndaleBaptistChurch@gmail.com for the ZOOM link to join Wednesday Night Prayer & Devotional

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS



ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18TH @ 1:00 PM

Our annual business meeting will be October 18th at 1:00. There are several very important topics that will be presented and voted on, primarily positions of leadership for the upcoming year, by-law updates and the 2027 budget. Please be sure to get a copy of the agenda from one of the ushers or from the table in the vestibule. It includes the by-law changes. These changes are insignificant in nature. They are simply to correct some language and provide clarity. If you have questions or items you would like to add to the agenda, please see someone on the Leadership Team.



LUNCHEON TO HONOR PASTOR JOE & ALICE

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25TH @ 11:30 AM

Join us after worship on Sunday, October 25th for a luncheon honoring Pastor Joe and Alice. We're grateful for their faithful service to our church community. Pastor Joe has served as Lyndale's interim pastor over the past few months, and we look forward to celebrating his ministry among us.



SENIOR LEAGUE

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 27TH @ 10:00 AM
@ Elkhardt Baptist Church

Lyndale's Senior League does not have any luncheon activities planned for the coming year. However, Elkhardt Baptist Church has invited our group to join their monthly Senior activities on the last Tuesday of each month.

LYNDALE BLESSING BOX

COMMUNITY FOOD PANTRY

Did you know we have our very own food pantry that serves our community in a BIG way? Our little yellow Blessing Box outside the church serves approximately 30 to 40 families a week! We have faithful volunteers who stock our box each day to make sure that our neighbors in need receive food items that they otherwise would have do without.

*"For I was hungry and you gave
me something to eat"*
- Matthew 25:35



WHO DO WE SERVE?

Our Blessing Box serves the elderly, young families with children, and anyone who is in need.

HOW CAN YOU HELP?

You may feel there's nothing you can do, but you can! When you are doing your weekly shopping, please add a **non-perishable** (or two) food item to your cart for our Blessing Box. Food donations can be placed in the plastic tub beside the church door, volunteers collect and sort everything each day. You can also make a monetary donation to help us purchase additional pantry items, simply designate "Blessing Box" for your donation:

LyndaleBaptistChurch.org/donate

This is Lyndale's Ministry and a true blessing to our community! Please help to keep our pantry shelves full so that we may continue to do God's work!

PENNIES FOR HEAVEN

Sat, Oct 10th @ 7:30 am

Come join our Ministry Team class on the **2nd Saturday** of each month (meeting at the church 7:30 - 7:45 am) as we deliver hygiene bags containing vital personal care items for those who are homeless and friends in need.

Donations of these much needed items are deeply appreciated:

- Toothbrushes
- Toothpaste
- Deodorant
- Bath Soap
- Razors
- Socks
- Washcloths
- Shampoo



FREE COMMUNITY DINNER

Fri, Oct 9th @ 4:00 pm

Our free Community Dinners are the **2nd Friday** night of each month from 4:00 - 6:00 pm, and all are invited! Come for a good meal, great conversation and an opportunity to visit with those you may not know in our community. Looking forward to seeing you there!



LYNDALE'S BLESSING BOX FOOD PANTRY

Every day, our faithful volunteers stock and monitor our Blessing Box, helping our community in times of need. Through this daily ministry, we serve as a tangible reminder of His love for His people. Ways you can help: prayer, donations of *non-perishable* food items or volunteer for one day a week.



BLANKETS OF LOVE

There is always an urgent need to help our furry friends at local animal shelter! Lyndale is collecting donations of the following items; they can be left in the "Blankets of Love" bin in the Community Room:



- **Blankets** (used/good, new or like-new)
- **Towels** (used/good, new or like-new)
- **Pet Beds** (new or like-new)
- **Dog & Cat Toys** (new only)

LIONS RECYCLE FOR SIGHT

The [Chesterfield Prevent Blindness Morning Lions Club](#) is asking for your help and support in collecting glasses. By donating your old glasses, you can help others that are visually impaired. Lyndale's collection box has been placed in the vestibule of the church.

