



LYNDALE BAPTIST CHURCH

DECEMBER 2021 NEWSLETTER

LETTER FROM THE PASTOR

ERIK DAVIDSON

Let me start by saying Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays to everyone. 2021 is drawing to a close and we are about to celebrate the Christmas season. I am looking forward to having all sights and sounds of the season and spending time with those we love.

I hope that your Christmastide will be a blessed time together with friends and family. Some of you, hopefully will be able to see people you were not able to spend time with last year due to the pandemic.

Here at Lyndale we will be having our traditional Christmas Eve Candlelight and Communion worship. I look forward to seeing all our faces as we light the candles and sing Silent Night as we end worship and head home.

This year, we will be having a special treat during the month of December when our former pianist, Bill Gregory, comes and leads us in preparing our hearts and minds for Christmas. He will be playing a Christmas concert for the community on December 12th at 4pm. Go ahead and write that down on your calendars, as I am sure you will not want to miss it.

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LETTER FROM THE PASTOR

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I know that this Christmas season will be a special one for the Tree Lot. I look forward to hearing all the stories of how people were blessed, just as there have been each and every year.

Finally, I would like to say a special thank you to the church for the Pastor Appreciation gift that you gave me. I am humbled to know how much you love and care for me. I pray that the Lord will continue to bless this church and our ministries as we move into the future that He has for us.

In Christ,

Erik



Erik Davidson
Senior Minister
Lyndale Baptist Church

SUNDAY MORNING SERVICES

10:30 AM

**IN-PERSON ATTENDANCE &
VIRTUAL LIVE**

Facebook.com/LyndaleOnHullST
Lyndale-Baptist.freeonlinechurch.com/live

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

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

SECRETARY HOURS

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

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

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CHURCH EVENTS



LOTTIE MOON POST OFFICE

Sunday, November 28 – Sunday, December 19th

The Lottie Moon Post Office will resume operating this year and the price will be \$.50 per card. We ask that you only bring cards for those people who attend church and please mail cards to those who are not in attendance. We always have fun doing this as a fund raiser for the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering.!



BILL GREGORY'S PIANO CONCERT

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 12TH

4:00 PM



CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT SERVICE

Friday, December 24th

6:00 PM

MISSIONS MOMENTS - MERRY AND BRIGHT!

Jo Ball, Missions Committee

Missions is committed to reaching out into our community to help those in need.

Blessing Box Community Food Pantry

Our Blessing Box Community Food Pantry continues to provide food to our community while also offering hope that we care with no strings attached.

Pennies for Heaven Ministry

Volunteers have begun to return to our Pennies for Heaven Ministry and go once a month to hand out hygiene bags to our homeless friends. Our congregation helps with this by helping to collect items such as soap, razors, toothpaste, toothbrushes and deodorant.

Tree Lot Ministry

As Christmas approaches, we look toward our Tree Lot Ministry and give thanks for all those who have supported us throughout the years. It is our customers and those in our congregation who have tirelessly worked our lot that have made it what it is. It is a celebration of neighbors, friends and customers who faithfully support our tree lot by purchasing Christmas trees making it possible to continue our ministries.

We wish everyone a Merry Christmas and the beauty and awe of God's greatest gift, Jesus.





LOTTIE MOON CHRISTMAS OFFERING®

The Lottie Moon Christmas Offering is an annual offering collected by believers around the world to support international missions. The offering was officially named in 1918 by Woman's Missionary Union in honor of the missionary to China who urged churches to start it and give sacrificially.

This offering is unique from other mission offerings in that **100% of your gifts go directly to the missionaries** in the field all over the world. It is a valuable part of Southern Baptists' 175-year history of reaching the nations with the gospel and vital to reaching the vision of a multitude from every language, people, tribe and nation knowing and worshipping our Lord Jesus Christ (Revelation 7:9).

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To make an on-line donation to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering, please visit their website:
<https://www.imb.org/generosity/lottie-moon-christmas-offering/>

MESSAGE FROM WMU®

December 2021 – wow, almost another year has passed! I don't know about you, but for me time slips away and some days I don't know what I have accomplished. Sound familiar? Sometimes I have to remind myself I don't always have to be busy.

Advent starts on November 28th and ends on December 24th. The four weeks represent hope, love, joy and peace. We as the church should represent these all the time, but advent reminds us to be expectant for what is coming. We celebrate the birth of Christ, that leads him to the cross and our salvation.

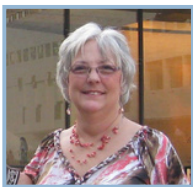
Take time this season to “rest” in the Lord. Take time this season to concentrate on hope, love, joy, and peace. Isn't that what the world needs the most now? Isn't the love of Christ the answer for what hurting people need?

Be relentless in loving this season – be relentless in spreading hope and joy – be relentless in spreading peace.

I pray all of you will have a joyous December and a blessed Christmas.

I love you all,

Renee



Renee Allen
WMU Director
Lyndale Baptist Church

HEBREWS 10:39

We do not belong to those who shrink back and are destroyed, but to those who have faith and are saved.

CHURCH NEWS & UPDATES

NOTE FROM STEWARDSHIP

Renee Allen, Stewardship Chairman

Lyndale never ceases to amaze me. This year has been no exception. With our dedicated members, we have, by October 31st, managed to exceed the giving we had projected for this year by \$19,417. What a blessing!

In December, Stewardship will be sending out the proposed budget for 2022 which we have prayerfully put together. When you receive our letter and the budget, please review it and come to our business meeting in January ready to vote. We welcome questions and concerns.

I look forward to another successful year serving God and Lyndale.

AUDIO-VISUAL UPDATE

The Audio-Visual Committee

By the time you receive this newsletter for December the entire project will have been completed. Hallelujah! We are so fortunate that our Lyndale members have supported this project and that it will enhance our worship experience in the sanctuary and on-line. Those of us who operate the equipment appreciate your patience as we learn to navigate the new equipment.

Of the \$33,125 needed for the project, we have collected, as of October 31st, all but \$9,728. I praise God for this, it is truly amazing.

Please pray that God will use our church to bring people closer to God and our presence on-line will touch those in a way that will lead them to salvation.