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## Church Profile

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## Church Mission & Vision

### MISSION:

Knowing Jesus and Making Him Known

### VISION:

An intergenerational authentic community learning and living the Gospel of Jesus for the sake of others and the glory of God.

## Guiding Principles

Community and Discipleship in the Church  
Outreach to the Community  
Worship and Sunday Experience  
Biblical Church Leadership

## History

- Grandville Baptist Church started in 1957 and built a permanent building in 1967, which the Church still meets in to this day.
- Grandville Baptist Church has historically been a mission-minded church and currently has four sent missionary families from our church and supports numerous additional missionaries. Over the past five years Grandville Baptist Church has also realized that in addition to these missions around the world, we need to be focused on reaching our local community with the gospel.
- The Church owns a parsonage that houses missionaries when they are in the area and has also been used to provide housing for the Senior Pastor and his family.

- Grandville Baptist Church's-morning worship service is predominantly a Christian contemporary style.
- Attendance at Grandville Baptist is currently around 175-190 people.
- Grandville Baptist has been blessed with great Sunday school teachers for all age groups. We currently average 150-160 attending Sunday school each week.

### Membership/Congregation Info

- Current voting membership at Grandville Baptist Church as of January 2019 is 229.
- The youth group is comprised of 15-20 students in Junior High through High School.
- GBC has approximately 10-12 members who are in college or recently graduated from college and are just starting their career.
- The young families group (ages 25-39) comprises of approximately 25 people with most having very young children or kids in the youth group.
- There are approximately 50 people ages 40-65, and 50 people who are 65 and above.
- The 40-50 age range has had some leave the church in the past couple years and there's approximately 15 people left in that age range.

### Community

- Grandville Baptist Church is nestled around several middle-class neighborhoods within the heart of the city of Grandville.
- The Grandville Baptist Church congregation comes from not only the Grandville community but also neighboring places, such as the city of Wyoming, Jenison, Byron Center, and Hudsonville.
- The City of Grandville is primarily a residential city with most people commuting to other areas for work. Grandville is home to many chain restaurants and houses a large shopping mall.
- Grandville has many different schooling options from public school to a variety of Christian schools. The city population as of 2017 was around 15,970 people.
- Although it is not uncommon seeing a Church on almost every corner, many in our community are unchurched people that we would like to minister to. GBC's Soccer camp ministry has been successful in drawing in people from our community and inviting them onto our Church grounds. We hope to continue finding more ways to impact the Grandville community in the future.

## Church Leadership

- Eight men serve as Deacons at Grandville Baptist Church each year and divide up areas of responsibility so that the Pastors can be freed to focus on the preaching of the word and prayer.
- Both the Pastors and Deacons lean on each other for council and guidance as they work together in faithfully leading and caring for the needs of the congregation.

## Current Church Staff

- Two part-time Office Administrators
- Part-time Director of Worship and Music Ministries
- Two Part-time Custodians
- Interim part-time Preaching Pastor
- Interim part-time Youth Pastor

## Church Life

- A typical Sunday morning worship service at Grandville Baptist will feature a variety of different approaches to worship. The worship style tends to be more contemporary in the morning service. Attendance at our Sunday morning service ranges between 175-190 people. Our evening worship service is intended to operate as more of a small group that digs deeper into the morning message.
- The preaching is always centered on God's word, and the congregation is hungry every Sunday to learn how God's word is applicable to today's culture.
- Grandville Baptist Church continues its ministry throughout the week with programs such as mens basketball at a local elementary school, Women's Bible Study, AWANA, LIFT Ministry, Mens' Bible Study, and prayer meeting.
- Grandville Baptist Church strives to "be the Church" to each other by caring and supporting one another through the hills and valleys of life.