

Headwaters Newsletter

His Church is not a building or a physical location. It is a living, breathing, holy temple built with living stones.



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Headwaters Parent / Child Dedication

Headwaters Church believes children are a gift from God, and we are glad that you desire to dedicate your child to the Lord. You may dedicate your child at any age. Headwaters Church plans two Dedication Services each year, one in the spring and one in the fall.

Our next Dedication Service will be November 22.

Please fill out an application so we can register you & your child. **Application deadline is Nov 11.**

Be aware there is also a **required Parent Class for all first-time dedicating parents Nov 15.**

All returning parents are encouraged to attend, as a way to refocus on your commitment before the Lord. Please consider your schedule in choosing when to dedicate, as ALL parents wishing to participate in the Dedication Service are required to attend the Parent Class at least once.

As a church we care deeply about your family's spiritual growth. We want to come alongside you as you train up

your children in the discipline and instruction of the Lord. We are excited to help you in this step of Dedication.

Register [HERE](#), with the Church Center App, or go to our website. ■

Parent Dedication Class*

**SUNDAY
NOV 15**

9:15 am | Wells Street
10:45 am | Wallen Road

* This class is **REQUIRED** if it is your first time dedicating.





Noah's Hope ministers to families in our city grieving the loss of a baby.

The Numbers

Did you know that 1 in 4 women will experience miscarriage, infant loss or still birth? Did you know that each year around 30-40 mothers leave Dupont, PRMC, Parkview Randalia and Lutheran Hospitals with empty arms. That's 30-40 from each hospital.

Each year the Women of Headwaters prepare 200 "Noah Bears" for Labor and Delivery and NICU units, as well as 200 "Small Bears" which are specifically given in the ERs at Parkview to hundreds of women experiencing early miscarriage each year.

The bears are delivered to our local hospitals by Headwaters volunteers. We also provide bears to DeKalb & Whitley County Hospitals.

Hope and Healing

Over the past 13 years Noah's Hope has offered comfort to thousands of families in our community, including many in our own church family who have experienced loss.

What a privilege it is to come together as a church family to pray for and encourage the brokenhearted in our community in this small, but very tangible way.

On occasion we have had local families join us to assemble some bears after receiving one themselves, as a way to honor their child.

A Testimony

A mom who received a Noah Bear wrote us in 2019:

"About 2 months ago we found out our baby at 18 weeks didn't have a heartbeat. We delivered at Lutheran Hospital, and one of the nurses gave us a teddy bear from your church. The letter that was attached to it was absolutely perfect, and it's so touching that you do this. I read the letter a lot during the day, and the teddy bear stays in our living room. I just wanted to say thank you so much!"

Join us

You don't have to be crafty. If you have received comfort from God in your troubles, then we'd love for you to join us **Sunday, November 1st, from 6-8pm in A-1** to assemble tags for 100 Noah Bears as well as make cards and pray for the families receiving them.

Learn more

If you'd like to know more about Noah's Hope you can read more about it at noahshopebears.blogspot.com. or by contacting Jen Potter at jenifer.potter@gmail.com.

*"Praise be to the God
and Father of our Lord
Jesus Christ, the Father
of compassion and the
God of all comfort. Who
comforts us in all our
troubles, so that we can
comfort those in any
trouble with the comfort
we ourselves have
received from God."
2 Corinthians 1:3-4*



SURVIVING THE HOLIDAYS

Help and hope as you navigate the Christmas season

Wondering how you will survive the weeks surrounding Thanksgiving and Christmas? Are you dreading these holidays, knowing that everything has changed and that happy memories from past years can't be recreated?

Our Surviving the Holidays seminar is especially for people who are grieving a loved one's death.

You'll learn:

- How to deal with the many emotions you'll face during the holidays
- What to do about traditions and other coming changes
- Helpful tips for surviving social events
- How to discover hope for your future

About the Event

Here's what happens at a Surviving the Holidays seminar:

A Surviving the Holidays event lasts for about two hours. You'll be welcomed by warm, caring people who understand what you are going through and who want to help. During the seminar, you will:

- 1) Watch a 40-minute video, filled with practical holiday survival tips and the real-life stories of people who have navigated the season after their loved one's death.
- 2) Hear other seminar attendees explain how they are dealing with the holidays.
- 3) Have the opportunity to share how grief is affecting you. (No pressure—this is optional. We want you to feel comfortable.)
- 4) Receive a personal copy of the GriefShare Holiday Survival Guide.

Invite a friend and join us:

Thursday, November 5th from 7-9pm
at Wallen Road for this one-time seminar.

Register by clicking [HERE](#) or go to our website: headwaterschurch.org.

Christmas Crafting



Women high school age and older are invited to join us for an afternoon of crafting fun! Choose ONE of the seven projects available. Space is limited in each class to 15-20 participants so don't delay in registering for your favorite! We have a flat fee this time of \$5 to cover materials and refreshments.

Register online [HERE](#) or with the Church Center App or go to our website. Deadline is Nov 8

As part of our Christmas Crafting we will be hosting a Women at Risk International **Pop-up Boutique**. You can purchase beautiful items made by women at risk around the world and help this wonderful organization fight human trafficking. You can learn more and see some of their items at warinternational.org.



CHOOSE ONE:

Scrabble Tile Ornaments (up to 5)
with Angela Esselburn

Wood Plank Christmas Tree Paintings (3)
with Alison Corbrey

Mason Jar Candle Holders (2)
with Christa Arrowsmith

Handmade Christmas Cards (6)
with Kami Fowler

Wood & Yarn Ornaments (3)
with Jen Potter

Round Hand-Painted Wood Ornaments (5)
with Alethea Middleton

Felt Trees (3)
with Erin Wood & Anna Moore



\$5



Saturday
Nov 14
2-5pm
Wallen Road

Christmas Worship Video!

If you enjoy singing,
WE NEED YOU!

Questions?

email Ellen Ford at

eford@headwaterschurch.org

or just show up **Nov 8!**

Rehearsals: Sun, Nov 8 & 15 | 4-5:30pm at Wallen Road

Video Recording: Sat, Nov 21 | 9am Wells Street Chapel



Headwaters Youth
**Jr & Sr High Girls
Friendsgiving**

Sun, Nov 8 | 5-7pm

Wells Street | Building 2

Noah's
HOPE

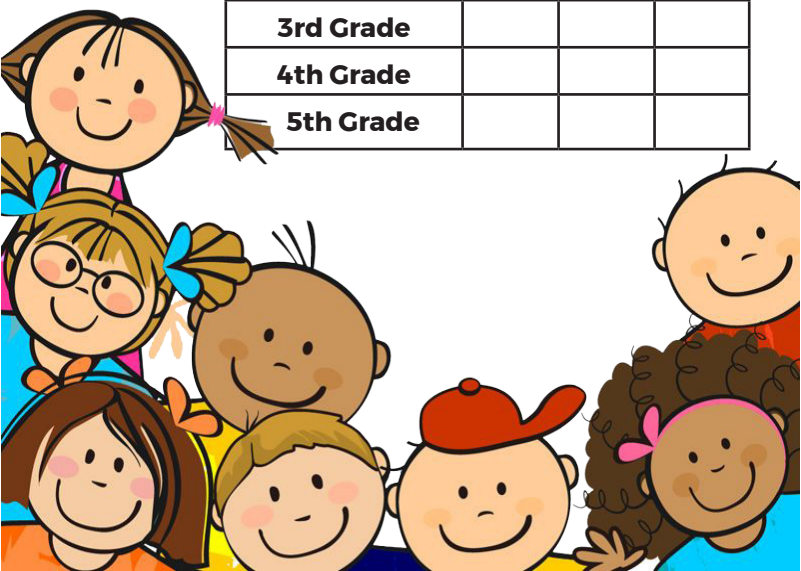


- **Friends**
- **Fall Food**
- **Service Project**

Register online or with Church Center App

What is Available for my Kids *THIS* Sunday 11/1?

	8:00	9:15	10:45
Nursery	✓	✓	✓
PreK	✓	✓	✓
Kindergarten		✓	✓
1st Grade		✓	✓
2nd Grade		✓	✓
3rd Grade			
4th Grade			
5th Grade			



Safe Families

New Volunteer Training:

Safe Families for Children Northeast Indiana invites you to a training event to learn about our ministry and what it means to serve as a host family or family coach through Safe Families!

Sat, Nov 14th | 8:30am -12:30pm
Wallen Road, Room A-1

Please sign up at [HERE](#)

Needs:

Frozen Meals - URGENT
Meal Ingredients - URGENT
Grocery Gift Cards - URGENT
Boys Socks - 2T-3T
Boys Sleepers - 6 mo
Girls Sleepers - 6 mo

You can drop off donations at the Welcome Center or at the Church Office labeled "FOR SAFE FAMILIES."

Service Times

8:00 am Masks Required | Wallen Road

- **NEW!!!** Nursery – PreK | weekly
- K-5th Grade | 2nd & 4th Sundays

9:15 am Masks Optional | Wells Street

- Nursery -2nd Grade | weekly
- 3rd-5th Grade | 3rd Sunday only

10:45 am Masks Optional | Wallen Road

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- 3rd-5th Grade | 3rd Sunday only

All Sanctuary seating will be socially distanced.

We will be transitioning our
online streaming from



in December

Watch the newsletter for details.



Communion this Sunday

As we remember the Lord's Supper this Sunday at our in-person services, we will be asking you to pick up a self-contained package of the elements from tables outside the sanctuary.



Pickleball

Monday Nights
5:30-8pm
Wells Street

- Track Open
- Bring water bottle
- Children must be supervised at all times



Joining us
from home?
Let us know!

Email Jim:

jglover@headwaterschurch.org



Membership

Welcome!

New Members:

Scott & Janelle Meinema
(pictured)
Rafael & Rikki Colon

Membership Candidates:

Steve & Ann Harry



Let us know how we can pray for you. Fill out an online Communication Card on our website.

Giving Totals

Last Week General Giving	\$24,593	YTD General Giving	\$1,492,640
Weekly General Budget	\$36,875	YTD General Budget	\$1,585,625

Amplify Giving*

Last Week Giving	\$649
2020 YTD Giving	\$189,768
Total Amplify Fund Giving	\$911,922

Sunday Attendance

Wallen Road 8am	75
Wells Street 9:15am	460
Wallen Road 10:45am	243
Total	703

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Office Hours:
M-F | 9am-4pm

*The Amplify Fund is a building fund for preparing our new facility at 2000 N. Wells Street for current & future ministries.

