

# Headwaters Newsletter

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



left to right: Roman Simpkins, Opal Fawcett, Klay Middleton, Baron Sefton & Watson Totemeier will make their adorable debut in the online Christmas Eve video.

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\*\*\*A special Holiday editions of the newsletter will be available Dec 22 & 29 by 7pm.\*\*\*

Headwaters News

## The Little Sheep of Christmas Eve

Our Christmas Eve service is online this year. Be sure to tune in to our [YouTube Channel](#) after noon on Christmas Eve to see more of the adorable sheep pictured above.

It will be a fun and beautiful service that aims all glory to our God. Gather your family together and be reminded of the unshakable joy that we all share in Christ.

**Check out some sneak peek behind the scenes photos on page 2.**

### Get Ready

Make the service special at home! Get out the **candles**, Make **cookies** and **cocoa**. We've included printable cookie and cocoa recipes at the end of this newsletter.

### Get Your Ornaments

**Pick up your star ornaments** after service this Sunday, from the Church Office (M-F 9-4), or call the office by Dec 21st and we'll mail them to you. 260-489-4942. ■



Get your  
**Star Ornaments**  
for the **INTERACTIVE**  
**Christmas Eve**  
**Service!**  
(one per person)







# Joy to the World

I don't know where each of you find yourself this Christmas season but it is unprecedented times in our world that impact each of us differently. I want to encourage each of you not to let these circumstances rob you of the true Joy of Christmas. Luke 2:10 states: *And the angel said to them, "Fear not, for behold, I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people."*

Happiness is great but a temporary feeling that fades quickly. Joy is a gift that endures both happiness and sadness. Can you truly experience great joy and have eternal significance without God? This joy is a gift from God. John 15:11 *"These things I have spoken to you, that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full."*

So, put yourselves in the eyes of the shepherds that night. After meeting Jesus, the shepherds' lives were never the same. Joy had broken through the mundane. After all, being a shepherd in those days was not the most desired and exciting job. Ever wonder why God announced the birth of Christ to them first? Why Christ was born in a manger and not a palace? This joy is for everyone and God loves us and sent His Son for all!

So, I pray each of you can focus on the true joy of this Christmas season and allow the things of this world to fade away.

God bless,

Daryl Miller  
Elder



Community Outreach

## Merry Christmas, Bloomingtondale Neighbors!

We had 130 pairs of pants brought in for Bloomingtondale Elementary! That was such a great response in so short of a time—THANK YOU church family. They were SO APPRECIATIVE!!

We were also made aware of several other needs in the community by Bloomingtondale staff.

On your behalf Headwaters staff delivered a new washing machine to a Bloomingtondale kitchen staff member Wednesday.

We'll continue to look for ways to build into our community! ■





# SHOW US YOUR CHRISTMAS MAIL FROM HEADWATERS KIDS!



Hudson Miller, age 7



Calista Cole, age 8



Serenity Miller, age 5



Davis (6), Linley (8), & Oliver Miller (10)

## Send us your pics!

Send your photos to [headwaterschurchfortwayne@gmail.com](mailto:headwaterschurchfortwayne@gmail.com) or text **260-705-8374**.

## Safe Families

### Needs:

- Grocery Gift Cards
- Newborn Girls Sleepers
- Boys Socks | 12-24 mo
- Action Bibles

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



*Courage is... opening your heart*





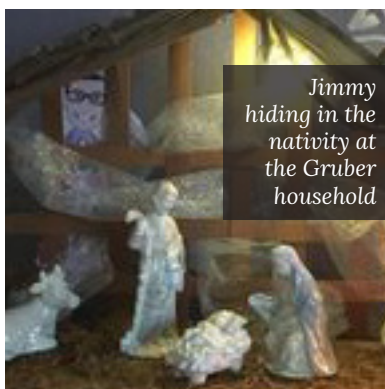
# Jimmy on the trimmy

## Where will we find him next?!

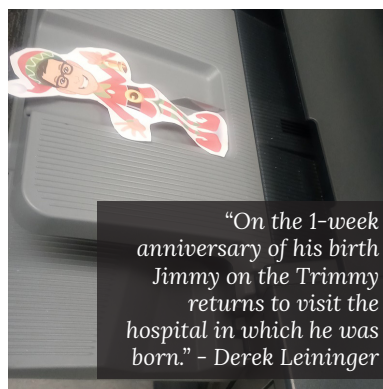
Print out your own Jimmy on the Trimmy (found on the last page of this newsletter) then send your photos of Jimmy's Adventures to [headwaterschurchfortwayne@gmail.com](mailto:headwaterschurchfortwayne@gmail.com) or text **260-705-8374**.



"Jimmy on the Skimmy"  
- Gwen Leininger



Jimmy  
hiding in the  
nativity at  
the Gruber  
household



"On the 1-week  
anniversary of his birth  
Jimmy on the Trimmy  
returns to visit the  
hospital in which he was  
born." - Derek Leininger



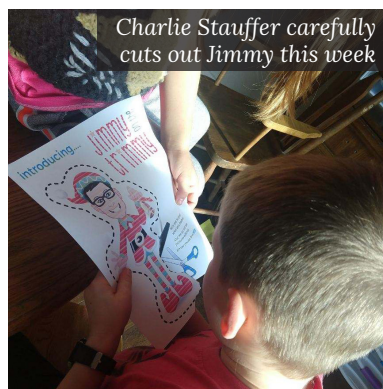
Jimmy hides among  
the gifts at the  
Meinema house



Just  
checking  
for coal.  
- Scott  
Meinema



Jimmy  
and  
Matt  
Fawcett  
sing a  
carol  
or two  
after  
service  
Sunday  
in the  
Chapel



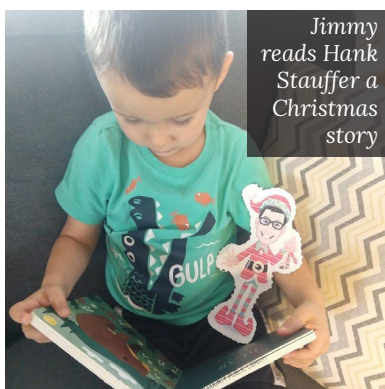
Charlie Stauffer carefully  
cuts out Jimmy this week



Jimmy meets baby Jack  
Ewing for the first time.



Jimmy likes  
Christmas Cards  
- Karen Steiner



Jimmy  
reads Hank  
Stauffer a  
Christmas  
story



Jimmy accompanies the wise  
men on their annual trek up  
the Stauffer's staircase



Georgia Leininger  
and Jimmy bake  
Christmas treats



**Joining us  
from home?  
Let us know!**

Email  
Jimmy:

[jglover@  
headwaters  
church.org](mailto:jglover@headwaterschurch.org)



**On-line streaming  
available ONLY on**

**You Tube**

**Starts LIVE at 9 am**  
(or available after 11 am)



*Membership*

**Membership Candidates:**  
Jon & Elyse Husen

*Holiday Office Hours*

**The Church Office will be closed:**

Thursday December 24

Friday, December 25

Thursday, December 31

Friday, January 1



**Open Sundays:**  
noon-12:30pm | Wallen Road

*Items needed:*

- cereal
- beef stew
- chili
- body wash
- hand soap
- toilet paper



**PRE-REGISTER  
FOR SERVICES**

**DEC 20**

*Click here*

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

### **Giving Totals**

Last Week General Giving	\$55,963	YTD General Giving	\$1,933,887
Weekly General Budget	\$36,875	YTD General Budget	\$1,843,750

### **Amplify Giving\***

Last Week Giving	\$1,616
2020 YTD Giving	\$230,614
Total Amplify Fund Giving	\$952,769

### **Sunday Attendance**

Wallen Road 9am	90
Wallen Road 10:45am	232
Wells Street 9am	238
Wells Street 10:45am	69
<b>Total</b>	<b>629</b>

### **Headwaters Church**

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[www.headwaterschurch.org](http://www.headwaterschurch.org)

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.





# Homemade Hot Chocolate

Creamy Homemade Hot Chocolate. A combination of cocoa powder and chocolate chips make this hot chocolate extra flavorful and delicious! Ready in minutes.

 <b>Course</b>	Drinks
 <b>Cuisine</b>	American
 <b>Prep Time</b>	1 minute
 <b>Cook Time</b>	5 minutes
 <b>Total Time</b>	6 minutes
 <b>Servings</b>	4 (see note for smaller servings)
 <b>Calories</b>	323kcal
 <b>Author</b>	Allison - Celebrating Sweets



4.96 from 94 votes

## Ingredients

- 4 cups milk (preferably whole or 2%)
- 1/4 cup unsweetened cocoa powder
- 1/4 cup granulated sugar
- 1/2 cup bittersweet or semisweet chocolate chips or chopped chocolate bar
- 1/4 teaspoon pure vanilla extract

## Instructions

1. Place milk, cocoa powder and sugar in a small saucepan. Heat over medium/medium-low heat, whisking frequently, until warm (but not boiling). Add chocolate chips and whisk constantly until the chocolate chips melt and distribute evenly into the milk. Whisk in vanilla extract, serve immediately.

## Notes

### SMALLER SERVINGS

#### 2 servings:

2 cups milk  
2 tablespoons unsweetened cocoa powder  
2 tablespoons granulated sugar  
1/4 cup chocolate chips  
1/8 teaspoon vanilla extract

#### 1 single serving:

1 cup milk  
1 tablespoons unsweetened cocoa powder  
1 tablespoon granulated sugar  
2 tablespoons chocolate chips  
1-2 drops vanilla extract

## Nutrition

Calories: 323kcal | Carbohydrates: 42g | Protein: 9g | Fat: 13g | Saturated Fat: 8g | Cholesterol: 27mg | Sodium: 121mg | Potassium: 403mg | Fiber: 2g | Sugar: 38g | Vitamin A: 445IU | Calcium: 309mg | Iron: 1.1mg

***One of the wonderful things about making hot chocolate from scratch is that you can make it exactly the way you want it!***

***Want it extra rich?*** Add some half and half.

***Want it less sweet?*** Use bittersweet/dark chocolate chips.

***Want it healthier?*** Use skim milk or almond milk, and reduce the sugar a touch.

***Want flavored hot chocolate?*** Add cinnamon, peppermint extract, a shot of espresso, or a drizzle of caramel sauce.

***The options are endless!***

***This recipe courtesy of Celebratingsweets.com***  
<https://celebratingsweets.com/homemade-hot-chocolate/>



**Great-Great Grandma Anna Wilhelmina “Minnie’s”  
Christmas Cookies**

1 lb. softened butter  
2 eggs  
2 c. sugar  
2 tsp. vanilla  
2 tsp. baking soda  
4 1/2 - 5 c. flour

Preheat oven to 350°F. Beat butter, eggs and sugar together in bowl. Add vanilla baking soda and 4 1/2 cups of the flour. Add more flour until not too sticky. Roll to 1/4" thickness. Use cookie cutters to make cookies. Place on baking sheet and bake for 8-10 min.

**Great-Great Grandma Anna Wilhelmina “Minnie’s”  
Christmas Icing**

1/2 c. softened butter  
1 c. vegetable shortening (or 5 heaping spoon fulls)  
1 tsp. vanilla  
1/2 c. evaporated milk  
1 tsp. salt  
2 lbs. powdered sugar  
2 TBSP. hot water  
food coloring

Mix ingredients in order listed. Divide into bowls for coloring. Add food coloring to each bowl until desired color is achieved. Spread on cookies with knife.



introducing...

# Jimmy on the trimmy



We're never far apart  
when we're together!

Cut me out and take  
pictures with me!

Email photos to us [HERE](#).