

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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"The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases" (Lamentations 3:22). Think about it. We live in a world, where the true and living God, the self-existent One, the One who needs nothing and the One who is obligated to no one, has obligated Himself to love us with an unending steadfast love—a loyal love that ensures. We are perfectly cared for, every minute of every day, both now and for all eternity. May the steadfast love of the Lord, silence our fears and lead us to take refuge in His arms. Amen and amen.

> Jim Glover Director of Pastoral Care





Easter Week Schedule

How will Headwaters Celebrate Holy Week TOGETHER?

Headwaters will walk through Holy Week together, each of us in our own homes. Thursday we will join with other Fort Wayne churches for 24 hours of prayer and fasting. Friday we will broadcast a LIVE online service (This will only be available Friday at 7pm on LiveStream). We will also celebrate communion together-from our own homes during the Good Friday service. A simple recipe is included below if you'd like to make your own unleavened bread.

Palm Sunday: Worship & Sermon

Wednesday: New City Catechism | Q6

Thursday: 24 hours of Prayer & Fasting | 6pm to 6pm Friday

Good Friday: LIVE Online Service & Communion | 7pm

Resurrection Sunday: Worship & Sermon | New City Q7



Unleavened Bread for Communion





Cook 10 m Ready In 20 m

Recipe By: LEAB77

"This recipe has been used for years in our church for Communion bread. Easy to make and stores well in fridge. Watch carefully when baking, ovens vary in time needed.'

Ingredients

1 cup all-purpose flour 1/3 cup vegetable oil

1/8 teaspoon salt 1/3 cup water

Directions

- 1 Preheat oven to 425 degrees F (220 degrees C). Line a baking sheet with parchment
- Mix flour, oil, and salt together in a bowl; add water and mix using a pastry cutter until dough is soft. Form dough into 6 balls and press into disks onto the prepared baking sheet using your hands
- Bake in the preheated oven until bread is cooked, 8 to 10 minutes.

Fort Wayne United Churches **Prayer Focus**

Since we can't meet together for Good Friday services, Fort Wayne UNITED churches will join together in a Thursday 6pm to Friday 6pm time of prayer and fasting, with specific prayer focuses at 6pm Thursday, 8am Friday, and 12pm Friday.

Those suggested specific focuses are listed below.

Thursday 6pm Prayer Focus: Local Government, health care providers, front lines public servants, Public Safety (FWPD/ FWFD) and those suffering from COVID-19

Good Friday 8am Prayer Focus: State Government, health care providers, front lines public servants, those suffering from the virus and families that have lost loved ones to Covid-19.

Good Friday 12pm Prayer Focus:

Federal Government, health care providers, front lines public servants, Public Safety (FWPD/ FWFD) those suffering from COVID-19, and those who have lost loved ones to COVID-19.

Opportunities to Serve

Loving Thy Neighbor

The heart of Headwaters has been so evident in your response to those around you during this time.



Vulnerable Moms & Babies Thank You!

These items were given to Jenna Mitchell (from Headwaters).

Jenna is an OB Nurse Navigator with Parkview Women's and Children's Outreach.

This department works with

medically high-risk and socially at risk moms and babies.

These items will be used to bless those mommas—many have recently lost jobs or have been laid off.

Jenna was so thankful and is looking forward to providing hope and essentials to these mommas!

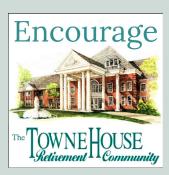


Introduce yourself to Neighbors with this Door hanger

We have created a simple door hanger you can print out at home and use to share Christs love with your neighbors.

Be sure to write your name and whatever contact info you wish to provide at the bottom.

You can find the PDF at the end of this newsletter and on our website under OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE on our homepage.



Encourage Local Senior Citizens

We are asking you to make pictures, cards, write notes, etc. It would be great if we provide a card for each of the 236 residents?! We have 70 so far!

You can DROP OFF these encouragement cards Monday (4/6) from 2-4pm at Wallen Road or EMAIL or SCAN a document to coverholt@headwaterschurch. org that we will print and deliver.



Join our Encouraging Words Team

If you would like to join our Headwaters Encouraging Words Team in writing and sending cards to people in our congregation needing encouragement, or if you know of someone who is in need of encouraging words, please email Carol Schrock at caroljschrock@gmail.com.

Future Opportunities

You can discover ways you can serve our church family and our community on the homepage of our website. Go to: headwaterschurch.org.



"Zooming" Together

Many Headwaters groups have begun using Zoom as a tool to connect over the last few weeks; including: Children's Ministry, Youth, ABFs, Women's Growth Groups, and starting this week, Men's Bible Study!

89 members of the Legacy ABF gathered Sunday morning for a wonderful time of fellowship, encouragement, and prayer via Zoom.

It's simple to join a meeting. You just click on a link in an email from the ministry lead.

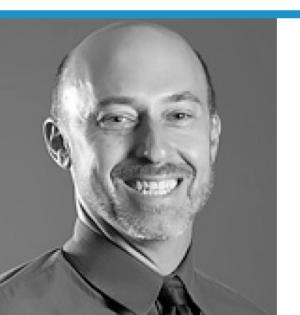
Zoom works best on a laptop, tablet or desktop. This will allow you to see the most faces! Phones work too.

If you are planning to host a Zoom meeting it is a good idea to require a password to prevent "zoom bombers" from hacking into your meeting.

You can find a link and answers to Frequently Asked Questions and some scheduled meeting times on our website.

Go to <u>headwaterschurch</u>. <u>org/coronavirus</u> under the OTHER RESOURCES tab.





A few years ago, I became aware that the acorn was the symbol adopted by the Vanderbilt family. "From an acorn a mighty oak shall grow." This challenged me to contemplate what symbol reflected our walk with Christ, and I considered a cross as well as many other items. Perhaps these symbols even change, since our relationship with our Savior is a dynamic one. The symbol I have focused on during this unique time is an **anchor** from Hebrews 6:19a: "We have this hope as an anchor for the soul, firm and secure."

- Steve Dusseau, Headwaters Church Elder

In the News

Paycheck Protection Plan

There is now an element of the federal economic stimulus package administered by the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) that provides forgivable loans to small businesses and non-profit organizations that are being adversely affected by the COVID-19 pandemic. Named the Paycheck Protection Program (PPP), the SBA provides this overview:

The Paycheck Protection Program is a loan designed to provide a direct incentive for small businesses to keep their workers on the payroll. SBA will forgive loans if all employees are kept on the payroll for eight weeks and the money is used for payroll, rent, mortgage interest, or utilities. The Paycheck Protection Program will be available through June 30, 2020.

If you own or work for a small business or non-profit, this program may be very helpful. Find out more at sba.gov/funding-programs/loans ■

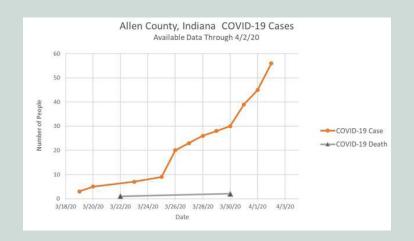
Coronavirus Update

Stay-at-Home Order Extended

Friday, Governor Holcomb extended the stay-at-home order another two weeks, which keeps it in force through April 20. He also extended the state public health emergency order through May 5. Executive Order 20-16 made it official that all K-12 schools in Indiana will finish the 2019-2020 school year via remote learning.

Here in Allen County, we still aren't seeing any indication that the COVID-19 infection rate has begun to show signs of slowing down, as seen by the County Dept. of Health chart below.

Please continue to be diligent in conforming to the stayat-home order and be vigilant in your prayers. Our God is listening, caring, and in complete control.









Church at Home

Weekly Theme Photo Challenge

Each Sunday we will post a theme on our Facebook, Instagram, and newsletter.

All you have to do is snap a photo with your family and share it to Instagram with the hashtag **#HeadwatersAtHome**. OR send us a photo in Messenger on Facebook.

This week's Theme: "Show us your spirit wear!"

Communication

We need your email address

During this time of physical separation we need to lean heavily on technology to communicate with you.

Please send an email to <u>jfredrick@</u> headwaterschurch.org.

Or you can update all of your contact info on our website.

Go to <u>headwaterschurch.</u>
<u>org/coronavirus</u> and click
under the UPDATE MY
CONTACT INFO tab.



Men's Zoom Bible Studies

As you know the Covid-19 virus and the subsequent mandated quarantines derailed our plans for the start of the Thursday Men's Bible Study at Headwaters. The entire Men's Ministry Leadership Team was deeply disappointed.

We know that whenever godly men get together and are willing to go beyond shallow conversations and keeping others at a distance, it is powerful. Like iron sharpening iron, it provides encouragement, training and life-giving support like nothing else can. God planned it that way! We were never meant to go it alone.

In these challenging times, now more than ever we need to connect in true fellowship, with our brothers in Christ.

For that reason, rather than wait until things get back to normal to launch our Thursday Bible Study, we have decided to begin having a weekly online Bible Study, using Zoom.

This is an 8 week study from the book of Proverbs focused on facing this crisis—together!

You can participate either **Thursdays Mornings @ 6am** or **Thursday Evenings @ 6:30pm**, beginning **April 9th**.

Please register online (as soon as possible) using the appropriate link below, or email Jim Glover at iglover@headwaterschurch.org.

6am Morning Study Registration Link

6:30pm Evening Study Registration Link





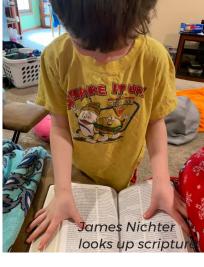








The York family and their dog watch John's sermon.

















Ministry Spotlight: Headwaters Kids

Our Teachers Love your Kids

An update on what happened this week in Children's Ministry.

This week we had zoom calls with several groups of students. During the calls teachers checked in the kids to hear how they were all doing. Some shared brief and engaging lessons on Easter. Stories, puppet shows and a caterpillar show-and-tell were big hits. Twenty-five plus 3rd-5th graders met on Tuesday and Thursday, answering a few fun questions that we prepared. We then had a prayer time where kids could share prayer requests and pray with one another. Many children received notes in the mail from their teachers. Plans are being made by our teachers to schedule meeting with more groups of students this week. Each one of these calls and letters have been so special in their own way! Our teachers truly love the kids they serve, and that has been so evident this week.

Our Home Discipleship for Kids: For each New City Catechism question you can find activities for you to do as a family to help everyone of all ages put these truths to heart. For each question there are different things to help teach the doctrine, with memorizing, musical, and coloring activities. There are also discussion questions to help you and your kids think through the truths at a deeper level. You can find these family activities for each question on the website. Go to: headwaterschurch.org/coronavirus under the HOME DISCIPLESHIP tab.



Reduce Transaction Fees

Thank you all for your flexibility in adopting many recent changes, including giving online through the Church Center online giving portal. We encourage those of you using Church Center to give via the ACH option, which substantially reduces

*** Dropping off your giving is no longer an option due to the church office being closed. Please do not put anything in our mailbox, you may give by mail or online safely.

transaction fees.

Let us know how we can pray for you. Fill out the Prayer Request Form on our website.

Giving Totals

Last Week General Giving \$39,505 YTD General Giving \$499,811 Weekly General Budget \$36,875 \$479,375 YTD General Budget \$250,000 Amplify Giving* "Chapel Phase" Goal Total "Chapel" Giving Last Week Giving \$1,230 \$154,839 \$95,170 2020 YTD Giving \$66,286 Remaining Needed Total Amplify Fund Giving \$788,441

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

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