

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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Ministry Spotlight

Let Them Serve as Deacons

The word deacon comes from the Greek word *diakonos* which refers to being a servant.

Responsibilities

To function as a council of biblically-qualified men to attend to the physical needs of the local body.

Qualifications

1 Timothy 3:8-13 *"Deacons likewise must be dignified, not double-tongued, not addicted to much wine, not greedy for dishonest gain. They must hold the mystery of the faith with a clear conscience. And let them also be tested first; then*

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Ministry Spotlight

Because He Cares, We Care

Matthew 25:35 "I was hungry and you gave me something to eat."

The Headwaters Food Pantry exists to glorify God through a demonstration of His love in providing food and grocery items to people in need.

The Food Pantry is available to anyone in need—regardless of age or status.

Whether it is a one-time or on-going need, Headwaters is eager to extend a helping hand in Christian love.

From the kitchen at our Wallen Road location, we provide basic food and

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I'm so grateful for our deacons. They do many jobs necessary to keep ministry at Headwaters going. These men take care of important physical needs of the body out of their love for God and their church family. And they do it all with humility and faithfulness.

Eric Potter
Elder

DEACON

Deacons continued

let them serve as deacons if they prove themselves blameless. Their wives likewise must be dignified, not slanderers, but sober-minded, faithful in all things. Let deacons each be the husband of one wife, managing their children and their own households well. For those who serve well as deacons gain a good standing for themselves and also great confidence in the faith that is in Christ Jesus."

Their Goal

To minister and serve the body of Christ. Deacons serve orphans, widows, and any other families in need with a focus on Headwaters families.

"Religion that is pure and undefiled before God the Father is this: to visit orphans and widows in their affliction, and to keep oneself unstained from the world."

- James 1: 27

At Headwaters, what do Deacons do?

- **Meet monthly** on Sunday evenings
- **Communion Prep*** | Team of two. Once a month
- **Serve Communion**
- **Deacon of the Day* (DOD)** | Teams of two at each location. Sunday morning rotaion.
- **Count Offering*** | Teams of two. Once a month
- **Food Pantry*** | Serving families on Sundays or Wednesday nights
- **Baptism Prep** | Assist those being baptized.
- **Caring in Action (CIA)** | Distributing benevolence funds to Headwaters families in need.
- **Annual Church Picnic** | Planning, setup, and cleanup
- **Thanksgiving Dinner** | Setup and teardown.
- **Widows** | Meet various needs
- **Projects** | Various project to help Headwaters families

** There are 25 deacons that spread this work out. The items above with an asterisk are regular scheduled assignments that a deacon can choose to participate in one or two of them. The rest are an all-hands-on-deck approach to serving.*

Deacon Wives

The wives of deacons also have directions from Timothy:

"Their wives likewise must be dignified, not slanderers, but sober-minded, faithful in all things."

Married Deacons serve with their wife and she should also understand the expectations.

Appointments

Deacons are nominated by the church membership each year. Nominees are affirmed by the Elders after proper vetting per biblical qualifications.

All prospective Deacons are subjected to "Yes or No" vote by the membership. (Simple majority vote needed).

Terms are 3 years. Men may be re-nominated for successive terms. The number of Deacons is driven by the size of the congregation.

New Deacons 2020

We added 3 new deacons this spring. **Mark Filpus, Nathan Miller** and **James Mitchell**. **Brad Arrowsmith** was also re-elected for another term.

You can find photos of all of Headwaters' current Deacons on the following page. ■

Headwaters Deacons 2020

* New ** Re-elected



Brad Arrowsmith**



Andy Baker



Keith Bernard



Justin Brown



Glenn Claycomb



Dennis Delanoy



Damian Dunn



Mark Filpus*



Brian Flemming



Kelly Glenn



Andrew Gruber



Andy Hecht



Ben Johnson



Jack Kuhn



Nathan Miller*



James Mitchell*



Andy Nichter



Jeff Oehler



Andy Overy



Dana Plattner
Chairman



Aaron Sprunger



Daryl Temple



Ron Troyer



Geoff Velpel



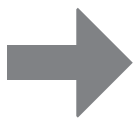
Ten Point
COALITION

“Fill a box” Food Drive

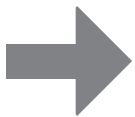
The local COVID-19 crisis has created a dire food shortage situation for many families in the Fort Wayne area. J29 Hope, Fort Wayne United and the Ten Point Coalition are partnering with local churches to collect and distribute boxes of non-perishable foods to the Weisser Park, Oxford, and Villages of Hanna communities, as well as others in the Fort Wayne area.

- Step 1:** Pick up a box M-F 9am-4pm from Wallen Road (Door #1) or at Welcome Center Sunday Mornings at both sites.
- Step 2:** Each box will cost around \$30 to pack and must be filled with the specific items requested below.
- Step 3:** Include a note of encouragement, favorite Bible verse, or other personalized item meant to inspire the recipients and let them know that they are loved.

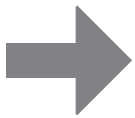
We still have
50+ boxes
ready for you to
pick up and fill by
June 26!



In order to ensure consistency between the boxes, please pack as close to this specific list as possible.



Box is 4 1/2 inches deep. We have made sure that everything on the list will fit in the provided box.



Please tape the bottom of the box before packing, and tape top closed before delivery.

Shopping List

- 1 lb of spaghetti
- 1 can of pasta sauce
- 5 packs of ramen noodles
- 2 cans of chicken
- 2 cans of corn
- 2 cans of green beans
- 2 cans of fruit in light syrup
- 1 box of mixed flavors of oatmeal
- 2 boxes of macaroni and cheese
- 2 packets of cheddar and broccoli rice
- 2 packets of chicken flavored rice
- 1 pack of 8 peanut butter crackers
- 1 box of cereal bars

Filled boxes can be returned to:

**Headwaters Wallen Road (Door #1) | Mon-Thur | 9am-4pm
or @ Welcome Center Sunday mornings | Wells or Wallen**

Thank you for your support of those in need in our local community!



Food Pantry continued

Fun Facts:

- Opened prior to the financial crisis of 2008
- In 2017, 33 families were served a total of 200 times
- So far in 2020, we have served 9 families a total of 58 times
- At one point we had 20 volunteers on our roster
- The Awana Food Drive brings in 600 to 700 items annually

grocery items, along with some cleaning supplies. (Clothes and furniture items are not available.)

How do I ask for help?

If you need assistance from the Food Pantry, or know someone who does, you can **call** the church office at 260.489.4942 (M-F 9am-4pm), fill out a **Communication Card** online or on Sunday morning, or simply **come** to the Food Pantry following the Sunday morning Service at Wallen Road. If you don't know where the Food Pantry is located, you can ask at the Welcome Center.

Our only requirement for receiving help from the Food Pantry is that you attend a Sunday morning service. (Due to COVID concerns, if you are unable to attend service but still need assistance, please call the church office so we can help!)

We make no apologies for caring about your spiritual needs as well as your physical needs. Of course we want you to have enough to eat, but we also want you to prosper spiritually. To do that, you must feed your soul as well. We want you to know the blessing of having a personal relationship with God through faith in Jesus Christ.

How can I help?

Donate. You can bring food and grocery items to the Donation Bin or Welcome Center on a weekly basis or during one of our food drives.

Volunteer. We are looking for 3 individuals to join our team, stocking the pantry and distributing food on Sundays 12-12:30pm once a month.

Pray. We covet your prayers for the physical and spiritual needs of those receiving assistance.

Donations

Donations can be dropped off at Wallen Road in the bin by the Children's Check-in or at the Welcome Center at Wells Street.

Current Needs: boxed dinners, chicken broth, hearty soups, crackers, canned beef, canned chicken, tuna, peas, peanut butter and jelly. ■



"Serving in the food pantry has been an honor. Over the last 9 years I have met and gotten to know dozens of people. Investing time into each individual is key to making this unique ministry succeed. Prayer request, sharing the Gospel, discussing family, scripture or the sermon are things that happen often. A special thank you to all the volunteers who donate their time. Thank you Headwaters family for supporting this ministry."

Shawn Cole
Food Pantry Director

2020

College Grads

Send us:

photo | name | school | degree

email: jenifer.potter@gmail.com by **Thur, June 25**

Elder Prayer Retreat

*How can we
pray for you?*

Submit requests
Online, by **Mail**,
or in **Box** in Foyer
Sunday morning

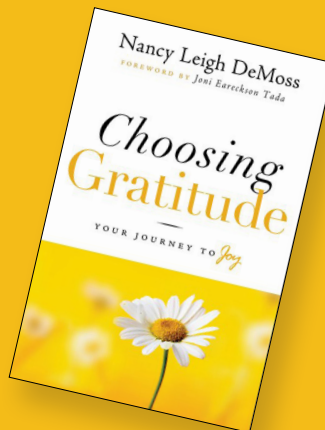
by July 16



Choosing Gratitude

*You can still join our
Summer Book Study*

Call the Church Office 260.489.4942



Youth News:

Chase's Last Week

This week will be, Youth Ministry Director, Chase Ringler's last week.

Jr High & Senior High youth group will meet **Wednesday from 6:30-8pm at Wells Street in the gyms and outside**. Come say goodbye to Chase.

Don't forget to bring your water bottles since the drinking fountains are off-limits.

When does my 6th Grader start Youth Group?

The first Wednesday night youth meeting for your 6th grader will be on **July 1** as they transition WITH Mr. Dammeyer from Headwaters Kids to Headwaters Youth.



August 28-29

**Lakewood Park
Auburn**

Exalt is a conference hosted by Lakewood Park church. Carol Kent is one of the featured speakers. This will be a worthwhile event.

For more information visit: exaltwomensconference.com.

Registration and transportation arrangements are up to you.



Save the Date:

**Sat. July 18
9am-1pm**



Work Day at Wells

Sat, June 27 | 8am-Noon

Sign up [HERE](#).

There are indoor and outdoor jobs for willing hands!

- Clear brush
- Fill in ground hog holes in lawn
- Prep third floor
- Remove surface mount electrical & network components
- Scrape/clean floors/ready for carpeting
- Remove any original HVAC piping
- Removal of doors for refinishing
- Repair/replace window screens as needed
- General removal of debris/cleanup
- Repair/replace AC unit enclosures
- Mulch around buildings 1-5

Meet in the Chapel. A light breakfast will be provided. We will finish before lunch.

We have various tools available for use.

Some items you may want to bring:

- work gloves
- eye protection
- loppers
- chainsaw
- rakes
- specific tools you prefer using

Jack Kuhn and **Andrew Gruber** will be overseeing the work, please find them that morning if you have any questions.

We are hoping to schedule several work days this summer. Watch the newsletter for details. ■

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

Giving Totals

Last Week General Giving	\$30,959	YTD General Giving	\$852,258
Weekly General Budget	\$36,875	YTD General Budget	\$885,000
Amplify Giving*		"Chapel Phase" Goal	\$250,000
Last Week Giving	\$1,801	Total "Chapel" Giving	\$182,394
2020 YTD Giving	\$93,851	Remaining Needed	\$67,606
		Total Amplify Fund Giving	\$816,005

**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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