

Headwaters Newsletter

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



Hillary Campbell, Ellen Ford & Kendrick Morris lead worship for the online Christmas Eve service.

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

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Headwaters Christmas Eve

Our Christmas Eve service is online this year. Be sure to tune in to our [YouTube Channel](#) after noon on Christmas Eve.

You can watch our [PROMO VIDEO](#) on our YouTube Channel.

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.

Last Chance to Get Your Ornaments!

If you have not picked up an ornament yet, you can stop by the Church Office on Wallen Road, Wed, Dec 23. ■



Holiday Office Hours

The Church Office will be closed:

Thursday December 24

Friday, December 25

Thursday, December 31

Friday, January 1

Don't forget to REGISTER for Services for Dec 27 [HERE!](#)

Or you can use the Church Center App, go to our website or call the Church Office 260-489-4942





These are a few
of our *favorite* things



Our 24-Hour God

As I look back on 2020, it seems like the overall stress level has increased for many people. The 24-hour news cycle provides a steady stream of discouragement. However, we serve a 24-hour God! I have been trying to be better at sifting temporal events through the facts of what I know about our God.

In Joshua 1:9, God tells him: "Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go." We know that our God is both good and great. And this good and great God is with us wherever we go. That is encouraging!

Here are some of the Psalms that have been particularly precious to me lately.

Psalm 27:1 The Lord is my light and my salvation—whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life—of whom shall I be afraid?

Psalm 61:1-2 Hear my cry, O God; listen to my prayer. From the ends of the earth I call to you, I call as my heart grows faint; lead me to the rock that is higher than I.

Psalm 62:1-2 Truly my soul finds rest in God; my salvation comes from him. Truly he is my rock and my salvation; he is my fortress, I will never be shaken.

May you find encouragement in our good and great God this season,



Steve
Dusseau,
Elder

Face-Covering Required Service at Wells Street moves to Chapel

The 70-80 attendees of the 10:45 am face-coverings required service at Wells Street have been enjoying worship in the finished Chapel for the past two weeks. It has better acoustics than a mostly empty gym, and looks beautiful decorated for Christmas. Capacity at this service is limited to 100. Childcare is provided for preschool and nursery. ■



SHOW US YOUR CHRISTMAS MAIL FROM HEADWATERS KIDS!



Haven Smith, age 6



Macy Rose, age 9



Libby Brooks, age 3



Maggie Brooks, 16 mo



Charliann (7) & Gideon (8) Zolman



Naomi Filpus, age 4



Eddie Capriglione, age 3



Willow Capriglione, age 2

"The kiddos loved the coloring pages! Charliann is going to mail her picture to her prayer partner from school and Gideon wants to give his to a new neighbor! What a great idea for the kids. Thank you!"
- Erin Zolman

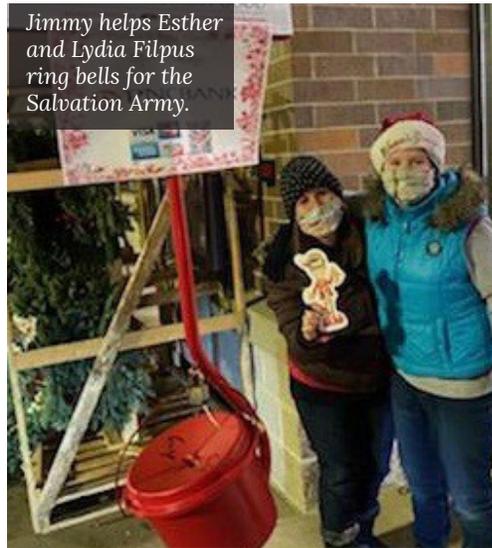
"This is my lucky day!"
- Macy Rose



Jimmy on the trimmy



Jimmy doing "jimmynastics" with Elsie Wood.



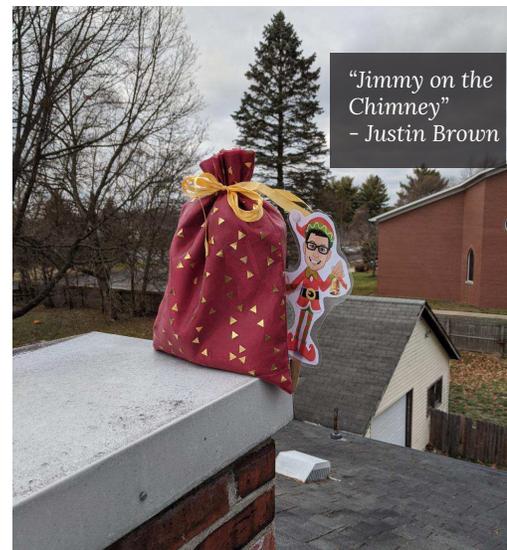
Jimmy helps Esther and Lydia Filpus ring bells for the Salvation Army.



Jimmy asks for help spreading Christmas cheer. - Jeannie Fredrick



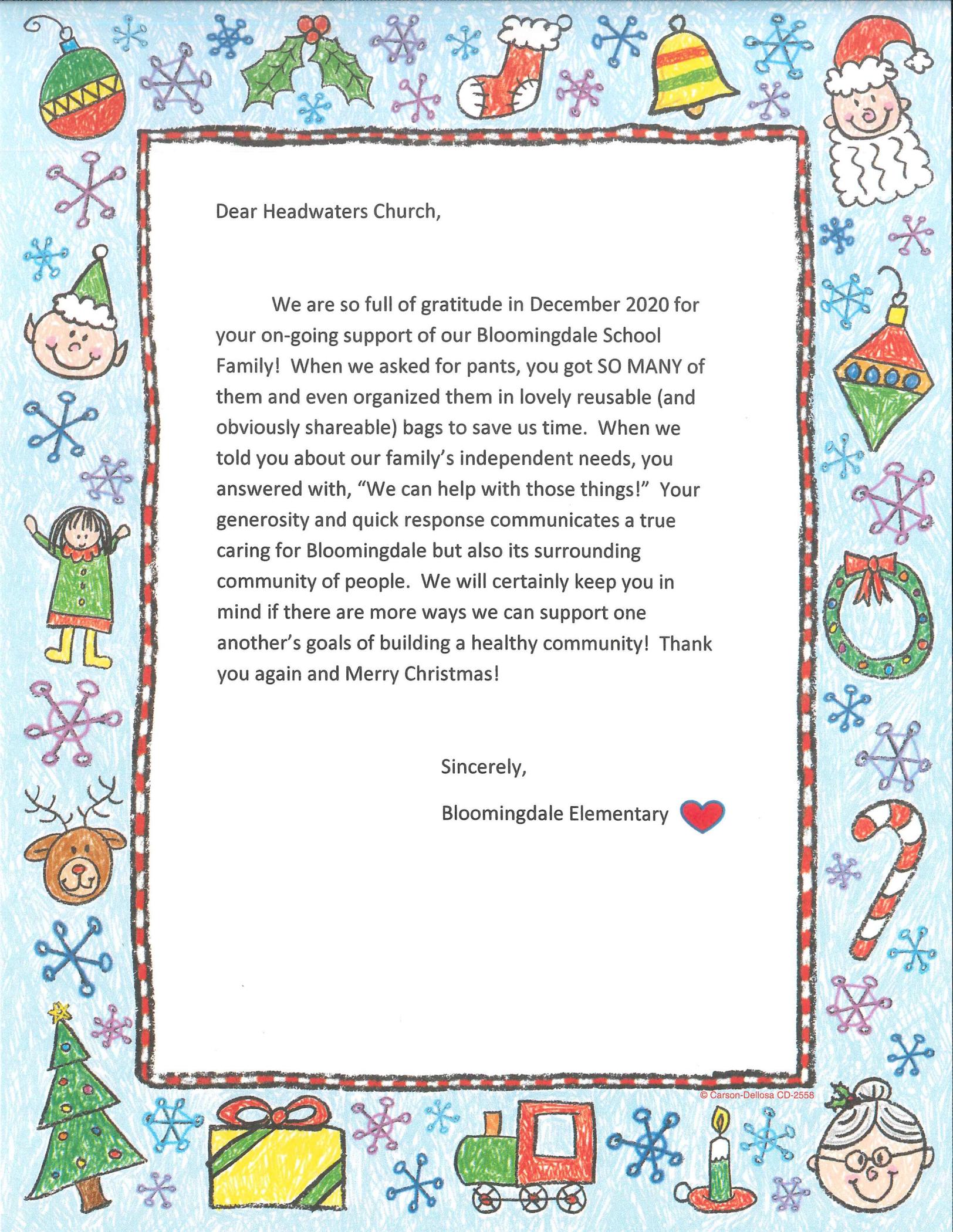
Jimmy trying to clone himself in the Church Office. - Jeannie Fredrick



"Jimmy on the Chimney" - Justin Brown

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 or text 260-705-8374.



Dear Headwaters Church,

We are so full of gratitude in December 2020 for your on-going support of our Bloomingdale School Family! When we asked for pants, you got SO MANY of them and even organized them in lovely reusable (and obviously shareable) bags to save us time. When we told you about our family's independent needs, you answered with, "We can help with those things!" Your generosity and quick response communicates a true caring for Bloomingdale but also its surrounding community of people. We will certainly keep you in mind if there are more ways we can support one another's goals of building a healthy community! Thank you again and Merry Christmas!

Sincerely,

Bloomingdale Elementary 



Headwaters News

No more Giving Envelopes

In recent years, we've seen a steady decrease in the use of giving envelopes. Earlier this year, the COVID-19 pandemic prompted us to establish an online giving option via a service called Church Center Giving.* As a result, only a very small number of those people who have been provided with 2020 giving envelopes currently use them. So, **we have decided to no longer provide church giving envelopes**. Of course, Headwaters will continue to gratefully receive gifts via check or cash. But the advantages of online giving make Church Center Giving our preferred method to receive gifts.

How to use Online Giving

You can use the Church Center App to give your tithes and gifts.** It's safe and easy to use.

Here's what you need to do to use Church Center Giving:

- Give from your computer [HERE](#).
- Give from your smartphone with the **Church Center App**:
 - For Android:** go to the [Google Play Store](#).
 - For iOS** (i.e., iPhones, etc.): go to the [Apple App Store](#)
- Login / establish a user account.
- Select GIVE from the menu
- Choose either **single gift** or to set up a **recurring gift**.
- You can give **directly from a bank checking/savings** account via ACH, or **via Credit Card**. (ACH giving has much lower transaction fees, and is therefore the recommended method. But again, Headwaters will thankfully receive your gift whichever method you choose.)

Giving Statements

Regardless of the method you use for giving to Headwaters Church, **you will still receive an annual giving statement each year reflecting your prior year cash giving.**

Giving with Checks or Cash

If you choose to continue to give by check, you can simply fold your check in half and place it in one of the **offering boxes** at the rear of the sanctuary. Presuming that we do someday return to taking offerings by passing offering plates, you can either place your check in a plain envelope, or better yet, just fold it in half and place it in the plate. (Offering boxes will always be available to receive offerings.) ■

** Church Center Giving is part of the Planning Center suite of Church Management System products that Headwaters Church utilizes.*

*** As many of you know, Church Center also provides ways to register for our church events. Check it out!*

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

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



Membership

Welcome!

New Members:

Jon & Elyse Husen



Items needed:

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

Open Sundays:

noon-12:30pm | Wallen Road

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."

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

Giving Totals

Last Week General Giving	\$26,892	YTD General Giving	\$1,960,779
Weekly General Budget	\$36,875	YTD General Budget	\$1,880,625

Amplify Giving*

Last Week Giving	\$17,741
2020 YTD Giving	\$248,354
Total Amplify Fund Giving	\$970,510

Sunday Attendance

Wallen Road 9am	83
Wallen Road 10:45am	229
Wells Street 9am	287
Wells Street 10:45am	79
Total	678

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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.

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.

 Course	Drinks
 Cuisine	American
 Prep Time	1 minute
 Cook Time	5 minutes
 Total Time	6 minutes
 Servings	4 (see note for smaller servings)
 Calories	323kcal
 Author	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!

**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](#).

