

# Headwaters Newsletter

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"I cannot miss the powerful reminder that God is giving all of us in our church family. His Church is not a building or a physical location. It is a living, breathing, holy temple built with living stones. We are a spiritual house. We are His salt and His light in and on this earth."

*John Suci*  
Senior Pastor

## Coronavirus Update

# Headwaters Church Gatherings Suspended Indefinitely

We're conceding that none of us know when we'll be able to resume gathering in any substantial way. With that, our official status is as follows:

Headwaters Church is suspending all non-essential church-related

gatherings until further notice. In addition, all Headwaters church facilities are effectively closed except for essential office operations.

You can call the church office at 260.489.4942 during normal office hours (9:00 AM - 4:00 PM) or email [jfredrick@headwaterschurch.org](mailto:jfredrick@headwaterschurch.org). ■

## Ministry Continues

# Home Discipleship

In light of the current limitations on gathering, the church is in a difficult position. How can we faithfully carry out the mandates of biblical Christianity while not being able to meet together? We have decided that we did not want to attempt lesser versions of our usual

ministries (AWANA, Youth Group, STEPs, etc.) but wanted to lean into the truth that while the home is the primary place of discipleship, in the current social situation it is almost exclusively the location of discipleship.

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# The New City Catechism

52 Questions  
& Answers  
for Our Hearts  
& Minds



## Home Discipleship **continued**

To aid our church in effective discipleship within the home we are all going to work through the New City Catechism in an attempt to collectively focus our minds on the truth of who God is instead of the frustration or fear of the moment.

To accompany the catechism's straightforward teaching of Christian doctrine we will be providing suggestions for corresponding children's activities as well as filming and releasing two video's a week (in keeping with working through two questions a week in the catechism) that focus on applying the truth of the doctrine within the questions and answers.

**These videos will be released every Wednesday and Sunday on our website.** Go to: [headwaterschurch.org/coronavirus](http://headwaterschurch.org/coronavirus) under the HOME DISCIPLESHIP tab for the link.


The catechism content is available online at [newcitycatechism.com](http://newcitycatechism.com) by going to the Web App tab.

If you prefer, you can order **print materials** on Amazon. Look for *The New City Catechism Devotional* and *The New City Catechism for Kids*.

Or you can also download the **New City Catechism App** on your phone. It includes all the questions you'll need (including shorter versions and songs for kids.) ■

*May the God  
of hope fill you  
with all joy and  
peace in believing,  
so that by the  
power of the Holy  
Spirit you may  
abound in hope.*

Romans 15:13



“Trust God. No matter what, God is the same yesterday, today, and tomorrow. He doesn't change in his love for us or his promises to us, and He will see us through this to whatever end his good and perfect will has in store. Our part in all of this is to be faithful, not fearful—to persevere, not panic.”

Tim Williams  
Elder & Executive Pastor





Modes of Giving

## Support Our Ministry

Here are three ways to give in lieu of our traditional offering collection at the end of Sunday services:

**Bring a check to the church office:** Although we're not having our normal gatherings, the church office will remain open during regular hours, M-F, 9am - 4pm. Just swing by and drop off your gift.

**Mail a check to Headwaters' office:** Mail your check to the church office at: 1001 W Wallen Rd, Fort Wayne, IN 46825.

If you use giving envelopes, either include your giving envelope with your gift or write your envelope number in the memo area of your check.

**Give online:** Headwaters Church has (at long last) established online giving. If you'd like to give online, you can now do so on our website.

You can also install and use the Church Center mobile app, which now includes a Give icon at the bottom of the main screen. Watch this video to learn more about giving online. If you don't yet have the Church Center app, you can download it to your iPhone or Android phone via these links:

If you already have Church Center on your smartphone, the new Give icon will appear the next time you open the app. ■



Stay Up To Date

## Check our Website Often

We will be posting new content frequently

We want to keep you up to date on how you can stay connected and participate in worship, teaching & community virtually. The best place to look for new information and links to the content we will be using will be on our website: [headwaterschurch.org](http://headwaterschurch.org) by clicking the red bar. This will take you to our CHURCH AT HOME page.

Here you'll easily be able to locate the **Latest Sermon**, access **Online Giving**, find resources for **Home Discipleship** (including activities for children), links to follow us on **Social Media**, read any new **COVID-19 Updates**, send us your **Prayer Requests**, and learn about **Service Opportunities**. ■

“In many ways we are uniquely equipped for this very situation. For the last year we have been one church in two locations, and now we're asked to be one church in up to 600 locations.”

Luke Suci  
Director of Discipleship





## Online Prayer

Join our Children’s Ministry Director, Jon Dammeyer, on **Zoom** for at church-wide time of prayer, **at 10:30am, Monday, March 23**. Join the Zoom video chat by clicking [HERE](#). Or go to Zoom online or the Zoom app and use **Meeting ID: 315 514 286**. **Password:** Headwaters. You’ll be able to share requests and pray face to virtual face with others from your church family. ■

Opportunities to Serve

## Hand out Meals for FWCS Kids

Headwaters is partnering with FWCS, Fort Wayne United, The Boys & Girls Club & other area churches to hand out meals to students and families who are now staying home and may not have consistent access to food. FWCS will provide free breakfast and lunch for children at ALL elementary schools in the district. To volunteer, you must be high school age or older. Looking for 2 volunteers for each site Monday - Friday from March 23 - May 1, from 10:30am - 1:30pm daily. You can find a list and a map of all the school sites involved on our [website](#) as well as a link to sign up. ■

*“The Lord is at hand; do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.”*

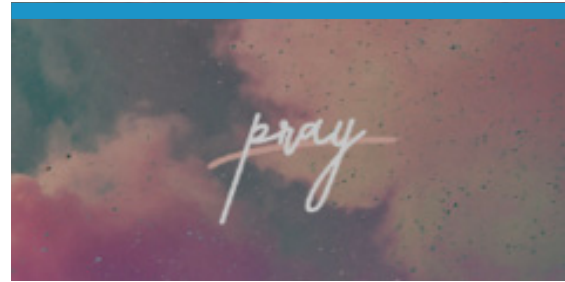
*Philippians 4:5b-7*

## Keep Praying

**Please, please pray for our Staff, volunteer ministry leaders, Deacons, and Elders** as we work to discern what’s best for our church and community and work together to create new ways of doing ministry without our main facilities. We need God’s wisdom to find the balance between overreacting and being cavalier about risks. Please be patient as we all work together to do ministry in new and creative ways.

**Please pray for all who are affected by this outbreak of COVID-19**, both directly and indirectly and for wisdom as we make decisions on how to best minister to our church and community during this growing crisis.

**Let’s also pray for our national, state, and local leaders** as they face difficult decisions, many of which will not be popular with those they’re intended to protect.



**And let’s not forget our health care workers** who place themselves at risk as they provide care to those in need.

**Finally, pray that God would work through this crisis, and through us to make his name great among the people.** ■

Let us know how we can pray for you. Fill out the Prayer Request Form on our [website](#).

### Giving Totals

Last Week General Giving	\$21,039	YTD General Giving	\$432,815
Weekly General Budget	\$36,875	YTD General Budget	\$405,625
<b>Amplify Giving*</b>		“Chapel Phase” Goal	\$250,000
Last Week Giving	\$25,857	Total “Chapel” Giving	\$152,320
2020 YTD Giving	\$63,776	Remaining Needed	\$97,680
		Total Amplify Fund Giving	\$785,931

\*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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