

A Weekly Note From
Pastor Mike Bronson



Welcome to West Haven on a good Sunday to be with God's people.

We are hopefully working toward a post-COVID-19 era, in the sense that it will no longer have a significant effect on the way we live our lives. (In the meantime, we will still take the precautions we are currently taking, i.e. opening west windows, putting the furnaces on "circulate", and running ceiling fans.) This past 12 months has pulled us forward into an era of rapid change. I am praying that many people will be shaken out of spiritual lethargy by the events of our day and come to Jesus in saving faith.

I sense a new mentality and a bright future ahead for our church. God is moving in the lives of many people. Our numbers are ticking upward. We've had several visitors lately. Be sure and welcome them. Pastor Nathan is doing a great job leading music and Student Ministry, as well as handling other details. We have an open-handed mentality toward our community. You've continued to give generously. Our building loan is coming very close to being paid off. We helped replant Linwood Baptist Church. We sponsored over 50 children through Compassion International. We launched a new website, remodeled the worship center, took 130+ thank you bags to Tonganoxie Elementary School, and improved our livestream. We continued with AWANA and Student Ministry. *God did all that through us during a COVID-19 time.* Also, we did something that many churches didn't do. We didn't fight over masks and lockdowns. I praise God for all of this.

Who do you know that you haven't seen at church recently? Yes, they may be going to the service you don't attend but check on them anyway. We still have a number of people who aren't back. We don't want to leave anyone behind on where God is going to take us in the future! Be an encourager today!

Visitors

If you are visiting today we're so glad you're here! Please give us your contact information on the worship information card in the back of the chairs. Please place it in the basket by the doorway as you leave the sanctuary. We would love to touch base with you!

March 14, 2021

NEWS & UPDATES

Sunday School

On **March 21** at 10 a.m., we'll be adding a 4th to 6th grade Sunday School class. Teachers will rotate and the lesson will be: The Gospel Project—The Church United. Teachers will include: Kathy Link, Donna Gambrell, Michelle McIntyre, Rebecca Schultz, Diane Titterington, Jenny Worden, & Alicia Wylie.

Child Care/Children's Sunday School

We have childcare for ages 0-5 and Children's Sunday School for ages 1st grade through 3rd grade during our 10:00 a.m. service. The nursery is located in our lower level. Security procedures are in place and every volunteer has undergone a background check. Both worship services are streamed to the Hospitality Room and the classroom over the foyer. There is a chair for nursing mothers in both rooms.

To volunteer to help in the nursery, contact our Nursery Leadership Team (Cindi Benson, Vickie Ewoldsen, Jessie Schultz, or Amy Inlow) at: nursery@westhaven.church. Thanks for being part of this very important ministry!

Easter Worship Service & Breakfast — April 4

Please join us for Easter breakfast from **8:30-9:30 a.m.** Eggs, sausage, bacon, fruit, potatoes, and cinnamon rolls will be served in the Fellowship Hall. Weather permitting there will be an **outdoor worship** service at **10:00 a.m.** If weather should cancel the outdoor service information will be posted via social media, email, and text. Upon weather changes, there will be indoor services at 8:30 and 10 a.m. but no breakfast; breakfast and the outdoor service would be rescheduled for the following Sunday, April 11.

Free Garage Sale — April 10

- Weather permitting the event time is: **8-11 a.m.**
- Please reach out to Dixie Spurlin ([913-250-0199](tel:913-250-0199)), if you are willing to help at the event.
- **Drop off donated items only on Friday, April 9.** There will be NO inside storage for garage sale items. We will have a designated area on the North side of the parking lot to place items. (items will be left outside and the entrance blocked off until 8 a.m.)
- Please only bring "items of quality".
- We'll be giving away 6 - \$50 gift cards to Brother's Market, and we'll be serving donuts and coffee under our West Haven tent!
- Come and enjoy fellowship and engage with people who come.

Prayer & General Communication Text Lists

If you would like to be added to the text prayer list, contact the church office. You can also add yourself using Breeze by clicking edit on the "contact" section, update your contact information, and click "yes" to opt-in for the church prayer text notifications. You also have an option to opt-in and receive the general church text notifications about church updates. If you have any questions contact the church office at (913) 369-9422.

Sympathy Thank You Note

West Haven,

I am honored at the love you've shown, sending condolences and the arrangement, and most of all your continued prayers and outreach toward the Tonganoxie community as we all grieve my husband's passing. It's a blessing to our family to experience such tenderness from so many.

Thank you for your support in this time.

Sincerely, Jessee Altman (wife of the former Tonganoxie Middle School principal)

**We exist to see people saved,
lives changed, and Jesus glorified.**

NEWS & UPDATES

Wednesday Night Bible Study

Pastor Mike is teaching through the Pastoral Epistles during Wednesday night Bible study, downstairs in the Fellowship Hall at 6 p.m. If AWANA is canceled there is no Bible study.

Wednesday Night - March 17—No Activities

Due to Spring Break there will be No AWANA, No Adult Bible Study, and No Student Ministry on Wednesday, March 17.

AWANA

AWANA Sparks/T&T Grand Prix will be **April 14**. Cubbies and Puggles will have their Grand Prix race on **April 21**. The last night for AWANA will be **April 28** when end of year parties will take place as well as awards, and the AWANA Store. If you have AWANA questions, please contact Gordon Brest at (913) 416-0225 or Bill Mages at (913) 645-4065.

Student Ministry—Super Summer Registration is Open

Super summer is a 5-day youth camp, **July 12-16**, at the Webster Conference Center in Salina—for students who have completed 6th-12th grades. We encourage students to bring their friends! Super Summer includes: worship, personal devotions, church group meetings (led by Pastor Nathan), family group meetings, and recreation. The focused scripture will be Romans 12:1-2. The cost is \$250 per person, which includes lodging, meals, recreation, a camp shirt, all scheduled activities, and a notebook. If your student is unable to attend due to financial hardship, contact Nathan LaFave.

Parents must register each camper by May 31 - NO late registrations accepted.

- Go to: kncsbevents.org/sscamper.
- Enter Group ID: **W211382**
- Enter Registration Details and Submit
- After online registration, the camper is led to a Challenge Course Agreement which must be completed by an adult camper or the parent/guardian.
- Payment will be coordinated with Pastor Nathan. Please make checks to West Haven.

Wednesday Night Cancellation Policy

In the past, our cancellation policy was tied to whether or not USD 464 was in session. This is no longer the case. This year, in the event of inclement weather, each ministry determines separately whether or not to meet.

- ⇒ If AWANA cancels, you will be notified via the church text service and our website.
- ⇒ If Student Ministry cancels, you will be notified via the church text service and our website.
- ⇒ Adult Bible Study will always follow AWANA. If AWANA is canceled, so is Bible Study.
- ⇒ It is possible that one ministry will cancel while the other meets. The most likely scenario is that Student Ministry meets but AWANA cancels.
- ⇒ As always, check the church calendar for the regularly scheduled cancellations.

Storehouse

Free Donated Grocery Items—check out the West Haven Storehouse open Sunday after services or contact Chris Bingham at (785) 393-5441. It is located downstairs by the kitchen.

MEMBER INFORMATION

Budget Detail as of **3/07/2021**

Weekly Budget Req. - \$9,702.36

General Fund Rec. - \$13,046.15

Mo. to Date Budget Req. - \$9,702.36

Mo. to Date Giving - \$13,046.15

Looking Forward to Heaven

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A. The _____ of the Bride

B. The _____ of the Bride

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A. No More _____

B. No More _____

C. No More _____

D. No More _____

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ADULT BIBLE FELLOWSHIP CLASSES & SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

(SUNDAY SCHOOL-SPRING)

Why Attend?

Whether you're an adult or student we want you to join a study group in God's Word. A lot can happen when you join a group! You can grow deeper in your knowledge of the Bible, get a chance to hear the personal insights and experiences of other people, and develop new and/or deeper connections with other Christians. These are all vital to our spiritual health and our churches strength. Your attendance is encouragement to others as well. We have personally found that people connected to a group who study God's word together have more stability in the church and in their personal walk of faith.

How to Join?

Just show up, pick a study, and grab a seat! All our studies are open and new people are welcome to join at anytime. We want every person in our church connected with one of our study groups. so if you are not part of a group, we would love to help you find one! To encourage multi generational fellowship and study, Pastor Nathan strongly suggests high school students attend one of the above listed "Adult" classes.

Class/Teacher	Time	Age	Location	Current Study
Adult I Todd Janssen	8:30 a.m.	All Adults	Fellowship Hall	2 Samuel
Adult II Gordon Brest	10:00 a.m.	All Adults	Fellowship Hall	Bible Studies for Life
Adult III Dale Spurlin (3/14 & 3/21) Brian Klamm	10:00 a.m.	All Adults	Fellowship Hall	Judges
Adults IV Blake Waters	8:30 a.m.	All Adults	Train Station	Luke
Adult V Jon Hain	8:30 a.m.	Young Adults	Classroom at the bottom of the stairs	Jesus in the Old & New Testament
Children's Classes Teachers Rotate Leader: Kathie Riddle & Elizabeth Spurlin	10:00 a.m.	1 st -3 rd grade	Classroom Downstairs Red Room	The Gospel Project
Teachers Rotate Leaders: Donna Gambrill, Kathy Link, Michelle McIntyre, Rebecca Schutz, Diane Titterington, Jenny Worden, & Alicia Wylie	10:00 a.m.	4 th -6 th grade	Classroom Downstairs Blue Room	The Gospel Project: The Church United

2020-2021 Prayer Requests:



March 7, 2021

Roxane McCoy's son Jeff: needing kidney transplant and had a failed eye surgery that left him blind. Looking for another eye doctor, hoping he can regain his sight. Please pray for healing.

(Rosemary O'Bryan)

David Babcock: cancer treatments (Donna Schultz's brother)

Family of Cecile Eunice (Helen Craig)

Himpel on her passing (Helen Craig)

Linda Campbell: tests revealed she does not have shingles. She has a form of Belles Palsy and is in therapy to restore the left side.

(Kathie Riddles' aunt)

February 28, 2021

Hallie: is in Children's Mercy with severe Graves disease. Prayers needed. (Donna Bartkoski's niece)

Expecting Mothers of WHBC:

Chastin Hoffhines: April 2021

Other Expecting Mothers:

Long Term Requests:

Nick Cox: in prison (Kevin Cobb's nephew)

Pastor Bryan Baggett in TX: malignant brain tumor; given a year to live. Most recent test (Dec.) showed no visible cancer growth; tests ongoing. Keep praying. (Kirk's cousin)

David Bronson: health (Mike & Tara Bronson's son)

Aaron McIntyre: for safety and good health as he studies abroad in China (son of Michael & Michelle McIntyre)

Cora Huffines and her grandson Jarrett Russell: he is completely paralyzed, now he cannot speak. Having tests to determine the cause of loss of speech. (Rosemary O'Bryan)

MILITARY:

CPT Parker Osborne, US ARMY: TDY Fort Lee, VA for training (Donna Osborne's daughter)

CPT Dan Hopkins, Jr., US ARMY: Fort Benning, GA (Dan & Sesuk Hopkins' son)

CPT Tim Hopkins, US ARMY: Ft. Polk, LA, Airborne Light Infantry Team (Dan & Sesuk Hopkins' son)

CPT Tom Hopkins, US ARMY: Ft. Bragg, NC (Dan & Sesuk Hopkins' son)

CPT Kelsey Hopkins, US ARMY: Ft. Bragg, NC (Dan & Sesuk Hopkins' daughter-in-law)

LCDR Catherine Hopkins, US Navy: Univ. of Iowa (Dan & Sesuk Hopkins' daughter-in-law)

Andrew Stueckemann, Navy: deployed from Japan on USS Reagan, somewhere in the China Sea (Cathy Stueckemann's son)

Austin Stueckemann, ARMY: now out of Army, in search of a job & attempting VA health care coverage (Cathy Stueckemann's son)

SrA Rebecca Baggett, Air National Guard: Tennessee (Kirk & Lenora Baggett's daughter)

Jacob Derzinski, US Marine Corp: Ft. Schwab, Okinawa, Japan (Mike & Becky Derzinski's son)

Jon Derzinski: now with 361st Training Squadron aerospace propulsion training, Sheppard AFP, Texas. (Mike & Becky Derzinski's son)

Emmie Derzinski: now with the Navy Medicine Education & Training Command, Ft. Sam Houston, San Antonio, TX. (Mike & Becky Derzinski's daughter)