

A Weekly Note From

Pastor Mike Bronson



It's good to see you on a Sunday morning as we assemble to revere our God! Pastor Nathan has COVID-19 so he won't be with us for a while. He is feeling ok and we pray for a swift recovery. Jack Belcher is out of town so my wife Tara will be leading the singing this morning. Thanks to Gail Drake for playing the piano this morning as well.

This morning we get to the next-to-last passage we'll examine in the book of James. James 5:16b-18 will teach us about prayer. I think we all struggle with various aspects of prayer. But here's what I want you to see: despite human fallibility, our prayers can still be effective. James unlocks the secret to effective prayer in these verses.

This afternoon in Leavenworth is the Kansans for Life "Life Chain" event. More information is in your bulletin. I am grateful for KFL's work. We want to see abortion ended in our laws and in the human heart. And we pray for healing for those who have been exploited by the abortion industry.

We'll be done with the book of James next week, Lord willing (see James 4:15!) Then I want to preach a two-sermon series about the way we steward our lives. God has burdened me about that subject so I want to share from God's Word with you. Then we'll go to Genesis 37-50 in a series entitled "Divine Providence" about the life of Joseph. I hope and pray God is glorified and you are blessed.

This Wednesday night we begin night meals again. See elsewhere in the bulletin for more details. If you are new to West Haven, the meals are held in the lower level in the Fellowship Hall. Much thanks to Becky Derzinski for her leadership in this area. And also thanks to Kirk Baggett for his work.

I know of three ladies who will be part of the "Mom's and Muffins" event at Tonganoxie Elementary School soon. We are also giving \$3,000 to TES for their Backpack Buddy program to feed kids. We want to continue to bless our community in ways God opens up to us. Thanks for generously giving and going in the name of Jesus!

October 3, 2021

NEWS & UPDATES

Visitors

If you are visiting today, we are so glad you are here! We would like to touch base with you, please fill out the worship information card in the back of the chair and place it in the basket by the doorway. Or text us your contact information to this text-only number: (913) 369-4450. Thank you for being here!

Sunday School & Bible Fellowship—8:45 a.m.

Children's Sunday School is available for ages 3-4 years, Kindergarten through 3rd grade, as well as, 4th to 6th grade. Students 7th-12th grade can join the Student Ministry Class downstairs in the Fellowship Hall. Please see the back of the bulletin for adult class options and room locations.

Worship Service—10:00 a.m.

- During worship service, Children's Church is available for kids who are currently in K-2nd grade.
- Nursery care is available for ages 0-5, during 8:45 a.m. Sunday School, and 10:00 a.m. Worship service. The nursery is located in our lower level. To access the nursery, enter the north door. Take the steps on your left. At the bottom of the steps, there is a hallway to the right. Down the hallway is the nursery area. Security procedures are in place and every volunteer has undergone a background check.
- Worship service is streamed to the classroom off the foyer, Room 202. There is a chair for nursing mothers available in this room.

Children's Ministry Volunteer Rotation

To serve on the ***Nursery*** rotation, please contact anyone on our Nursery Leadership Team (Cindi Benson, Vickie Ewoldsen, Jessie Schultz, or Amy Inlow) at: nursery@westhaven.church. To serve in ***Children's Church***, please contact Shelly McGhee at (913) 461-6558. Thanks for serving our children in the name of Jesus!

Wednesday Night Meals—Begin Oct. 6

Wednesday night meals begin **this Wednesday**, from **5:15-6:00 p.m.** If you would like to help, please contact Becky Derzinski. This week: chicken strips, fries, veggies and lemonade is on the menu.

- Kids 2 & under— eat FREE
- AWANA kids—\$2.00
- Student Ministry & adults—\$3.00
- Families more than 3—\$10

Wednesday Night AWANA Workers

We are in need of nursery volunteers for Wednesday night ministries. We are looking for enough volunteers to form a rotation. Also, we are in need of volunteers who can listen to verses for our AWANA Clubbers! To serve in this capacity, please contact Gordon or Terri Brest or the church office: info@westhaven.church.

NEWS & UPDATES - Continued

Senior Citizen Fellowship Breakfast

All seniors in the congregation are invited to breakfast on **Monday, October 11 at 9:00 a.m.** in Fellowship Hall. Please let Rose Swain know if you plan to attend (913) 271-6250.

Ministry Opportunity/"Moms and Muffins"

Tonganoxie Elementary School and the Parent-Teacher Council are holding a "Moms and Muffins" day on **Oct. 7 from 8:30-10 a.m.** They are looking for some ladies (any age) who can provide casual conversation with a child who doesn't have a Mom there and enjoy a muffin with them. All you have to do is show up a little bit before 8:30 a.m. and tell the school front office you are volunteering for this event. I was involved in something similar for Dads a couple of years ago. This is a good ministry and you can be the hands and feet of Jesus to a little kid. If you have questions, you can email the TES Principal Chuck Mahon at cmahon@tong464.org or West Haven member Melissa Lewallen at 913 417 3083. Thanks! – Pastor Mike

In Touch

If you have a college student living away from home please help us keep in touch with them. We will send a small care package three or four times a semester to let them know we are thinking of them and praying for them. To include your college student, please send their name and address to: Grace Windler, gracewindler@gmail.com or Carol Anderson, cldanderson@yahoo.com.

Church Directory

We are updating our church directory and hope to print it this fall. Rose Swain has been taking updated pictures of individuals and families. Please text or call Rose (913-271-6250) to set up a time any Sunday to get your picture taken.

Life Chain Event—Today

The event is from **2:30-3:30 p.m. today**. Join the 34th National Life Chain on 4th street Trafficway, between Limit and Thornton in Leavenworth. A map is attached to the bulletin. Life Chain is a peaceful and prayerful public witness of pro-life individuals standing for 60 minutes praying for our nation and for an end to abortion.

MEMBER INFORMATION

Budget Detail as of 9/26/2021

Weekly Budget Req. - \$9,702.36

General Fund Rec. - \$9,262.80

Mo. to Date Budget Req. - \$38,809.44

Mo. to Date Giving - \$41,149.80

How To Pray Effectively

1. The _____ Of Effective Prayer

A. An _____ Man

B. An _____ Man

C. An _____ Man

1. Knew _____

2. Knew _____

2. The _____ of Effective Prayer

A. _____

B. _____

C. _____

3. The _____ of Effective Prayer

A. A Triumph Over _____

B. A Triumph Over _____

C. A Triumph Over _____

BIBLE FELLOWSHIP CLASSES & SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

(FALL—Sept., Oct., Nov.)

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, we would love to help you find one!

Class/Teacher	Age	Location	Current Study
Adult I Bill Mages/Todd Janssen	All Adults	Room 102 Fellowship Hall	2 & 3 John
Adult II Gordon Brest	All Adults	Room 104 Fellowship Hall	Bible Studies for Life
Adults IV Blake Waters	All Adults	Train Station	Philippians; Colossians; Philemon
Adult V Jon Hain	All Adults	Room 100 Downstairs Classroom	Psalms
Adult - Other Pastor Nathan	Music/Tech Teams & spouses	Room 202 Upstairs Classroom	Gospel Rhythms: Music in the Life of the Gathered Church
Student Ministry Class Bill Weatherford & Bob Link	7 th -12 th grade	Room 105 Fellowship Hall	Zelos: Facing Death
Children's Classes Director: Kathie Riddle & Elizabeth Spurlin	K-3 rd grade	Downstairs Classroom Red Room	The Gospel Project
Teachers Rotate Leaders: Donna Gambrell, Kathy Link, Michelle McIntyre, Rebekah Schutz, Diane Titterington, Jenny Worden, & Alicia Wylie	4 th -6 th grade	Downstairs Classroom Blue Room	The Gospel Project
Nursery: Available during 8:45 a.m. Sunday School & 10 a.m. Worship	Infants-4 years	Downstairs	The Gospel Project

2021 Prayer Requests:

September 26, 2021

Mike Derzinski: recovering from knee replacement surgery.
Prayers for those dealing with a COVID diagnosis.

September 19, 2021

Continue to pray for Lt. Rich Labahn, Douglas County Sheriff. He is in the hospital w/covid.
Please pray for him & family.

Please pray for financial freedom for my electric bill is far behind and I have many doctor bills. Pray my depression goes away. Pray for me to forgive. Please pray for my friend Katie, she lost her husband to Covid on Sept. 4. They have five children and he was the main income for their family. They were together for 20 years. They have to move to a new home and different state. Please pray for them. (Megan Williams)

Gordon's dad is in hospital with UTI, pneumonia, and Covid. (Gordon Brest's dad)

My family, son, daughter, my grandkids see and hear things that as adults should never say to each other that is not good. My heart is full of sadness, please pray for us. Please pray for all who are sick. My son's wife has covid so please pray everyone gets well soon. (Bambi Dome)

Bryant: has Covid & taken to a KC hospital; has COPD and is in great danger & they are so frightened. Please pray for his health. (Loretta Kunard's nephew)

Jessica: scheduled for surgery Oct. 18 to remove Melanoma & two or more affected lymph nodes. Pray for good recovery & peace for family (Loretta Kunard's great niece)

Expecting Mothers of WHBC:

Ashley Boor: April 7

Long Term Requests:

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

Pastor Bryan Baggett: malignant brain tumor; given a year to live. Is on an experimental radiation in Dallas, TX. 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 Lee Huffines and her grandson Jarrett Russell: he is paralyzed and stays with Cora, but had surgery which has now allowed him to be able to speak. Please pray for them both and for more reliable nurses that can help. (Rosemary O'Bryan)

Karli Harnden: Kneist dysplasia and vision loss

Raiden Harnden: spina bifida (Bill & Denise Harnden's grandchildren)

MILITARY:

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

CPT Dan Hopkins, Jr., US ARMY: Fort Benning, GA (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: back on deployment (Cathy Stueckemann's son)

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

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

A1C Jon Derzinski, Kansas Air National Guard: 190th Air Refueling Wing, Forbes Field, Topeka, Kansas (Mike & Becky Derzinski's son)

HN Emmie Derzinski, US Navy: Naval Station Great Lakes, IL Dental Clinic, USS RED Rover (Mike & Becky Derzinski's daughter)

