

A Weekly Note From
Pastor Nathan LaFave

Thank you for joining us for our corporate worship gathering this Sunday! In corporate worship, God calls us to worship Him and to celebrate the birth, life, death, and resurrection of his only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, Sunday after Sunday, until he returns.

For from Him and through Him and to Him are all things. To Him be the glory forever. Amen.
-Romans 11:36 (NASB)

Today, we welcome Mark Clifton to our pulpit. Mark is the church replanting and revitalization specialist for the North American Mission Board and also the lead pastor at Linwood Baptist Church. We are appreciative of Linwood Baptist for allowing their pastor to be with us this morning! We are most certainly looking forward to the word Mark has for West Haven!

This past semester has been a wonderful time of spiritual growth for the youth in our student ministry! The topic of study has been "Gospel Foundations". The gospel is the central message of the Bible and the primary word of Christianity. In very basic terms, it involves human sin, divine grace, and the work of Jesus. Throughout this past semester, students looked at these essential building blocks of the gospel and had an opportunity to practice articulating the gospel with their peers. They have been charged to proclaim that same gospel in their school, among their friends, and to the nations.

Our website has a new resource page dedicated to our music ministry. Singing is a vital component of our gathering together and growing in spiritual maturity. Through song, we desire to equip the saints for the work of ministry and to exalt and worship our great God! Our team takes much care and time in ensuring the songs we sing are theologically accurate, biblically rich, Christ-centered, and gospel-saturated. This new resource page provides information regarding our corporate worship values, serving on the tech team, and more. In time, we will add more content, such as song resources, song banks and articles. To view the page, visit: <https://www.westhaven.church/connect/music-ministry/>

Please make every effort to be here next Sunday. Pastor Mike is preaching a sermon entitled "Ministry In A Post-COVID World: Making Jesus Unmissable." With that sermon, we want to recap some of what we've accomplished in the past two years. We also want to give you a roadmap for where we see us headed in the future. We are already making Jesus "unmissable." We want to make Him so "unmissable" that Leavenworth County would become a hard place to go to hell from! In my office, I have a banner with a portion of this quote from C.H. Spurgeon. I believe it to be fitting:

"If sinners be damned, at least let them leap to Hell over our dead bodies. And if they perish, let them perish with our arms wrapped about their knees, imploring them to stay. If Hell must be filled, let it be filled in the teeth of our exertions, and let not one go unwarned and unprayed for."

Again, let's make Jesus so "unmissable" that Leavenworth County would become a hard place to go to hell from! "Go therefore and make disciples..."

December 5, 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

Wednesday night meals are from **5:15-6:00 p.m.** Extra help would be greatly appreciated, please contact Becky Derzinski. This week's menu: hot turkey sandwiches, veggies, cookie, and lemonade.

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

Wednesday Night Bible Study

Pastor Mike will be gone Wednesday, December 8, however Bible Study **will** still meet. It will be led by Blake Waters at 6:20 p.m. Due to Christmas and the holiday break, Bible Study **will NOT** meet on Dec. 22 & Dec. 29. It will start back up on Jan. 5 at 6:20 p.m.

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. In the event of inclement weather, each ministry determines separately whether or not to meet.

1. If AWANA cancels, you will be notified via the church text service and our website.
2. If Student Ministry cancels, you will be notified via the church text service and our website.
3. 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. And as always, check the church calendar for cancellations.

NEWS & UPDATES - *Continued*

Proposed 2022 Budget Vote

Copies of the proposed 2022 budget are in the foyer. Church members over 18 years old will vote on this budget Dec. 12 via a ballot in the bulletin. If you have any questions please visit with Robert Perez, Stewardship Chairman or any member of the Stewardship Committee (Audra Boone, Sarah Laundry, Gail Drake, Laurie Hable, and Shannon Sneed).

Prayer Meeting—Dec. 12

Please join us for a prayer meeting Sunday, December 12 at 5:00 p.m. in the Train Station.

Senior Adult Christmas Party-Luncheon-Gift Exchange—Dec. 13

Monday, **December 13**, at **12:30 p.m.** West Haven senior adults are invited to meet at Rose Swain's residence located at, 20031 183rd St. Tonganoxie. Meat will be provided. Please bring a side dish or dessert. Please bring an unlabeled but wrapped gift around \$10 or less for each person who would like to participate in the gift exchange. Please RSVP to Rose Swain (913) 271-6250.

Children Singing—Dec. 19

Children's Church will sing a couple of songs during the worship service on **December 19**. Feel free to invite family or friends to come watch.

Sermon—Dec. 12

I hope you'll make it a point to be here on that Sunday. I'm preaching a sermon entitled "Ministry In A Post-COVID World: Making Jesus Unmissable." I want to recap some of what we've accomplished in the past two years. I also want to give you a roadmap for where I see us headed in the future. We are already making Jesus "Unmissable." I want to make Him so "unmissable" that Leavenworth County would become a hard place to go to hell from! So please, if you can, be here on the 12th. If not, stream it later. And (very important) – for anyone you know who has dropped out of any church, pass the recording on to them. Let's step into the doors the Lord has opened for us! – Pastor Mike

In Touch Ministry

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.

MEMBER INFORMATION

Budget Detail as of 11/28/2021

Weekly Budget Req. - \$9,702.36

General Fund Rec. - \$9,507.15

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

Mo. to Date Giving - \$106,517.30

Sermon Notes
Mark Clifton, Pastor of Linwood Baptist Church
December 5, 2021

Sermon Notes

BIBLE FELLOWSHIP CLASSES & SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

(WINTER—Dec., Jan., Feb.)

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	Romans
Adult II Gordon Brest	All Adults	Room 104 Fellowship Hall	Bible Studies for Life
Adults IV Blake Waters	All Adults	Train Station	Ezekiel; Daniel
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 Journal: Radically Changed
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:

November 28, 2021

Charlotte Buerge: please pray for her—she is at St. Luke's with Covid pneumonia and is not doing well. She is a believer. (Becky Derzinski & Stacy Bradley's mom)

Please keep praying for my daughter and my three grandchildren. My son, his wife, and my grandson are doing better. Please pray for all who are sick and weary.

Please continue prayers for my sister as she deals with her son's death during this Christmas season. (Cathy Stueckemann)

Ray Hammond: prayers for his health

Please pray for Paula McAlister: she is in ICU with covid lung & pneumonia (Reann French's sister)

Please pray for Angie: she is in the hospital with Covid and low O2 saturation. (Bill & Denise Harnden's niece)

Karli Harnden: had her fourth eye surgery Dec. 1 at Children's Mercy (to try to keep her retina attached). (Bill & Denise Harnden's granddaughter)

November 21, 2021

I just want to thank God so much for leading me to West Haven. Thank all the church that have helped me and prayed for me and my family. Please keep praying and helping everyone who is lost or just need prayed for. Prayers for all. (Bambi Dome)

My family's health (Parry Choate)

Viny Burns: has been very sick for ten days. She would appreciate prayer for wisdom for the doctors. (friend of Kathy Link)

Terry Palmer: pray for him, as he is hospitalized with Covid and on a ventilator. (Mike & Michelle McIntyre)

Expecting Mothers of WHBC:

Ashley Boor: April 7

Kristen Hain: April

Other Expecting Mothers of WHBC:

Jamie Palmer: May (family of the Lewallen's)

Long Term Requests:

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

Pastor Bryan Baggett: malignant brain tumor; given 3-6 months to live. Is on chemo infusion. 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)