

# SERMON NOTES

Nathan LaFave  
Luke 20:39-44

Of Primary Importance: The Identity of Jesus



Thank you for joining us on this Lord's day.

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lives changed, and Jesus glorified.

# WELCOME!

**We're glad you have joined us for our weekly worship gathering.** Our prayer is that during this time, you would see the beauty, grandeur, and glory of God as we worship him together in song, prayer, and the preaching of His word.

**We exist to see people saved, lives changed and Jesus glorified.** Our desire is that you know Jesus Christ, be born again and rest in the gospel.

## Connect With Us!

**We'd ask everyone to fill out a Connect Card located in the seat in front of you.** Please place this card in the offering plate, as it passes by.

**If you're interested in visiting with one of our members or pastors, please indicate that on your Connect Card.** We'd love to buy you a cup of coffee, or simply make a phone call, to tell you more about us or answer any questions you may have. We won't surprise visit or spam you!

**We value membership at West Haven.** The idea of experiencing salvation without belonging to a local church is foreign to the New Testament. If you would like to explore membership, please give us your best contact information on the back of the Connect Card. One of our pastors will be in touch with you!

## Grade School Carnival Sign-up

Volunteers Needed! TES Fun Fest is a carnival held by the elementary PTC. They are looking for volunteers aged middle school to adult to serve for at least one hour on Saturday **February 23**. If you can serve more than one hour that would be helpful. There are three areas they will need help with. The first is set-up which is from noon to 1:00 p.m. There is no sign up for set up, so if you wish to help with this please let Ryon know and he will pass your name on to the event coordinator. The second is helping man one of the 15 stations in one hour increments from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. The third is clean up which is from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. We want our church to fill these slots as a Be The Church effort. We must serve our community and this is a great opportunity which will not only help build relationships but may lead to strengthening our AWANA and Sunday School. This QR code will take you directly to the sign up page. Please sign up ASAP!



## CALENDAR

### Wednesday, February 20

9:30 a.m. WOW  
6:15 p.m. AWANA  
6:30 p.m. Student Ministry  
6:30 p.m. Adult Bible Study

### Friday, February 22

6:30 p.m. Student Ministry  
Game Night (Trian Station)

### Wednesday, February 27

9:30 a.m. WOW  
6:15 p.m. AWANA-Store Night  
6:30 p.m. Student Ministry  
6:30 p.m. Adult Bible Study

### Sunday, March 3

8:30 a.m. Donut Fellowship  
5:30 p.m. Churchwide Prayer Meeting

### Wednesday, March 6

9:30 a.m. WOW  
6:15 p.m. AWANA-design cars  
6:30 p.m. Student Ministry  
6:30 p.m. Adult Bible Study

### Friday, March 8

6-8:30 p.m. AWANA T&T Girls  
Movie Night (Train Station)

### Sunday, March 10

7:00 a.m. Men's Prayer  
Breakfast  
5:00 p.m. Next Generation  
Ministry Planning Meeting

## MEMBER INFORMATION

### Budget Detail as of **2/10/2019**

Weekly Budget Req. - \$9,011.55    Month to Date Budget Req. - \$18,023.10  
General Fund Rec. - \$7,516.00        Month to Date Giving - \$17,152.15

# NEWS & UPDATES

## **Next Generation Ministry Planning — March 10**

If you are under 35 or if you have a child in the 6<sup>th</sup> grade or below, we invite you to have a meal with us in the fellowship hall on **March 10 from 5:00-7:00 p.m.** Childcare will be available. There are sign up sheets in the foyer. Please sign-up as soon as possible so we can properly prepare. We want to learn how we can better equip you to lead your family and our church into the future. Pastor Ryon and I want to hear from you on topics such as “what is your greatest fear as a parent” and “what is the biggest challenge you face as a Christian in this culture.”

## **Secret Church: Prayer, Fasting, & the Pursuit of God - April 26, 2019 - 6 p.m. to Midnight**

Secret Church is six hours of intense Bible study and prayer led by David Platt via Live Simulcast. Secret Church 2019, takes an in-depth look at the Bible’s teaching on prayer and fasting. We’ll see that our inabilities and weaknesses are the very place where God meets us with His strength and sufficiency. We’ll also see that faithfulness to the mission of Christ requires depending on the Spirit of Christ. Through prayer and fasting, we demonstrate our need for God’s power and our desire for His glory. Tickets are \$10. **Registration deadline: April 13.** For more info and to register: [westhavenbaptist.org/events/secretchurch2019/](http://westhavenbaptist.org/events/secretchurch2019/)

## **World Changers Mission Trip — July**

The Missions Team has developed a mission trip through a ministry of the Southern Baptist Convention called “World Changers.” The dates are **July 14-21** which include travel time. We will be doing construction work, leading block parties and working with a food bank in Chattanooga, TN. The deposit is \$60 per person. There are 25 spots, first come first serve. You can make the check payable to “West Haven” with the words “World Changers Deposit” in the memo line. Adults as well as Jr. High thru college age are encouraged to attend. Please visit with Chris Small if you have questions. To learn more about the ministry, go to: <https://worldchangers.lifeway.com/>.

## *A Weekly Note From* **PASTOR Ryon Sander**

**Good morning West Haven family!** It’s a great day for Christ’s church to gather! This morning Nathan LaFave will be bringing the truth in God’s word, but don’t sit back and enjoy the morning. Instead, lean forward intently searching God’s word as you prepare for battle. We are here to engage God’s word and prepare for action.

How have you been challenged through our ONE Lord series? I would love to hear about it! Let’s continue to reflect that Christ is truly our first love. I was challenged by the final message in the series in Philippians 3:20 which says, “We are citizens of heaven and we eagerly wait for a Savior from there, the Lord Jesus Christ.” The Christian’s eyes are fixed up toward heaven. The world is on the broad path going down to destruction and the Christian is on the difficult road that leads to life (read Matthew 7:13). The imagery that came to mine was an escalator. Have you ever tried to walk up an escalator that is going down? It takes even more effort than just climbing stairs. If at any moment you stop to linger, you quickly move backward, however going down an escalator takes no effort. You just simply stand there or if you want to descend faster you can walk too. I encourage you to try this; go to a mall on a busy Saturday afternoon and walk up the escalator that is full of shoppers going down, be sure to dodge all the people and plan on getting glares of disgust and confusion, the occasional pushback and of course a colorful selection of verbiage. Don’t forget to encourage people to follow your example. Let them know that what is at the top is all they need. No matter their response press on to the very end. Now you have an idea of what it means to have your eyes and motivation fixed in the opposite direction of everyone else. But, consider your one true love is at the top of that escalator. Christ’s love for us motivates Christians to relentlessly pursue Him. I want to encourage all of us to keep our eyes fixed on Jesus our first love. The ONE Lord series may be over but our pursuit of Jesus is eternal.

## *Tools to Help You*

# NAVIGATE OUR CHURCH

## CHILDREN

We have a nursing mothers area in the back of the worship center, the hospitality room in the foyer serves as a cry room and has a Live Feed of our Worship service. A nursery is on the lower level. Children's church is available for Kids K-4<sup>th</sup> on the lower level. Feel free to take your children down before the service.

## AWANA

Our children meet every Wednesday night at 6:15 p.m. for our AWANA program. To register, simply come into the foyer some time after 6 p.m.

## STUDENTS

Our 7<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> grade Student Ministry meets each Wednesday night at 6:30 p.m. during the school year.

## FACILITY

If you have never been in our building, please stop by the visitor kiosk in the foyer. We would love to give you a tour!

## RESTROOMS

There are two sets in the upper level and two in the lower level. Changing tables are available in men's and women's restrooms.

## VOLUNTEERS

We do nationwide background checks on every person working with students and children.

## *Find Your Way*

# AROUND WEST HAVEN

**SEATING** — Feel free to sit anywhere you like!

**SONGS** — We stand when we sing, but it is not a requirement. You are welcome to sit.

**OFFERING** — Giving is a part of our worship. As a visitor, do not feel obligated to give.

## *Connect With*

# OUR STAFF

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## 2019 Prayer Requests:



### February 10, 2019

The Fridlingtons have been passing influenza A & other crud around. Michelle has been in the hospital twice & is still having difficulties.  
Amanda Hodges had her baby 2/10, Augustus Michael. Thank you for prayers. (Mike & Michelle McIntyre's daughter)  
Dad: kidney failure (Kris & Kelly Taylor)  
Prayers for our family, John has lost his job and we ask for guidance at this time (Zaydie & John Foster)  
Suzanne May: health issues  
Spiritual Awakening in our Country (Rosemary O'Bryan)  
Lydia & Scott: travel & moving mercy for son & daughter-in-law (Al & Annie Anderson)

### February 3, 2019

Bob: triple by-pass this week (Liz & Kyle Cobb's neighbor)  
Thank you West Haven for prayers for Gorden Harrah, he is recovering (Michelle McIntyre's dad)  
Loretta Kunard: hip replacement, Feb. 25  
Josh Ferguson has eye surgery 2/4 to repair a detached retina. Pray for 20/20. The doc said 20/40 or 20/50. Healing will take 6-8 weeks & during that time vision will be worse than now. (Alexa Ferguson)  
George: diagnosed with leukemia; in isolation preparing for blood transplant (friend of Cathy Stueckemann)  
Thank you church for your prayers for safe travel & praises—Andrew is an "official" Naval aviator helicopter pilot (Cathy Stueckemann)  
Jon, Lindsay, Haylie's salvation (Cathy Stueckemann)  
Bob Honeyfield: cancer in his bones and blood. He is on hospice care. (Laurie Hable's dad)  
Anna Zemaitis' great nephew, age 21, passed away in a local car accident. Prayers for the family.  
Randy and Pam Stevens' grandson needs heart transplant  
Claire Bancroft: fell and broke her arm  
Robbie & Melissa Lewallen's son Trey had a successful heart ablation 2/7. Pray for his recovery.

### Expecting Mothers of WHBC:

#### Other Expecting Mothers:

Kayla Abney: May 2019 (Amber Workman's sister-in-law)  
Robert & Joanna Windler: May 19 (Grace & Dave Windler's son)  
Ashley Lewandowski: June 2019 (Dave & Deb Compton's daughter)  
Sara Anderson: August 2019 (Larry & Carol Anderson's daughter-in-law)

### Long Term Requests:

Nick Cox: In prison (Kevin Cobb's nephew)  
Raiden Harnden: Spina Bifida (Bill & Denise Harnden's grandson)  
Karli Harnden: Kniest Dysplasia (Bill & Denise Harnden granddaughter)  
Patrick & Casey: salvation, and a miraculous life change from the Holy Spirit. Pray for God to protect Gage. (John & Jenny Worden)  
Isaiah: prayers for him (Bambi Dome—adoptive mom)  
Brent Koprivica: continued prayers for health (Lenora Baggett's boss)  
Kathy Laub: health concerns (Michelle Fridlington's mom )  
Velma Morgan: cancer treatment (Cathy Stueckemann's mom)  
Aunt Jo: continued recovery for bladder cancer (Cathy Stueckemann)  
Jon, Lindsay, & Haylie's salvation (Cathy Stueckemann)  
Jacob Stine: prayers with the daily struggle of addiction recovery  
C.J. Shiner: is leaving 9/10/18 for the World Race Gap year 9 month missions trip (Cary & Tracy Shiner)  
Aaron McIntyre: prayers for good health & safety while studying abroad in China (Mike & Michelle McIntyre's son)  
David Bronson: health & pain management (Tara & Mike Bronson's son)  
Sarah Breuer and family  
Loretta Kunard  
Zack Langford: (Randy & Pam Stevens' grandson)

### Military:

1LT Parker Osborne, US Army: assigned to S. Korea for 12 months (Donna Osborne's daughter)  
TSgt. Ben Goldsberry: USAF, Ft. Bragg, NC (Donna Osborne's nephew)  
1LT Dan Hopkins, Jr., US Army Infantry, Fort Hood, TX (Dan & Sesuk Hopkins' son)  
CPT Tim Hopkins, US Army, Fort Polk, LA, Airborne Light Infantry Team (Dan & Sesuk Hopkins' son)  
CPT Tom Hopkins, US Army, 9 month rotation to Korea (Dan & Sesuk Hopkins' son)  
Derrick Wagner: Air Force (Jennifer Belcher's brother)  
Joshua Spruill: USAF NM (Mike & Becky Derzinski's nephew)  
Lexis Fehol: Air Force Basic, San Antonio, TX (Elisabeth Laundry's friend)  
Zach Povlitzky—Army, El Paso (Amanda O'Bryan)  
Andrew Stueckemann: Navy at NAS Pensacola, FL (Cathy Stueckemann's son)  
Austin Stueckemann: Army deployment in Africa (Cathy Stueckemann's son)  
Elisabeth Schaffer: US Army (Brad & LuAnna Lingo's niece)  
A1C Rebecca Hecker: temp. active duty Kirtland Air Force Base (Kirk & Lenora Baggett's daughter)  
Christian Hernandez: Marine, 29 Palms, California (Teresa Sickman's son & great grandson of Olive McCracken)  
Joey Edwards: deployed in Afghanistan (Bob & Vicki Edwards' son)  
Brendan Caufield: Navy Basic Training in Chicago (Mike & Becky Derzinski)