

# SERMON NOTES

Pastor Mike Bronson

Matthew 22:37-39

## An Optimistic Future

1. We Will Glorify God Based on \_\_\_\_\_, not  
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- A. A Growing Esteem For Jesus
- B. A Discernible Spirit of Repentance
- C. A Dogged Devotion to the Word of God
- D. An Interest In Theology and Doctrine
- E. An Evident Love For God and Neighbor

2. We Will Make Decisions Based on \_\_\_\_\_, not  
\_\_\_\_\_

3. We Will Reach People By \_\_\_\_\_, not by  
\_\_\_\_\_



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

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

November 17, 2019

# 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!

## CALENDAR

### Wednesday, November 20

9:30 a.m. WOW Bible Study (Train Station)

5:15-6:00 p.m. **Meal**

**Canceled**

6:15 p.m. AWANA (Hungry Games)

6:30 p.m. Student Ministry

6:30 p.m. Adult Bible Study

### Saturday, November 23

Downtown Christmas Tree Lighting—West Haven serves refreshments

### Sunday, November 24

9:15 a.m. Combined ABF classes, Children's S.S. the same

4:30 p.m. Budget Hearing

5 p.m. Thanksgiving Dinner

### Tuesday, November 26

7 p.m. Deacon Meeting

### Wednesday, November 27

No Activities

### Thursday, November 28

Thanksgiving Day

### Sunday, December 1

8:30 a.m. Donut Fellowship

5:30 p.m. Churchwide Prayer Meeting, childcare available

### Wednesday, December 4

9:30 a.m. WOW Bible Study (Train Station)

5:15-6:00 p.m. Meal Served-Sloppy Joe

6:15 p.m. AWANA

6:30 p.m. Student Ministry

6:30 p.m. Adult Bible Study

### Sunday, December 8

7 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast

### Tuesday, December 10

7 p.m. Deacon Meeting

### Wednesday, December 11

9:30 a.m. WOW Meeting (Train Station)

5:15-6:00 p.m. Meal Served-Shepard's Pie

6:15 p.m. AWANA

6:30 p.m. Student Ministry

6:30 p.m. Adult Bible Study

## MEMBER INFORMATION

### Budget Detail as of 11/10/2019

Weekly Budget Req. - \$9,011.55

General Fund Rec. - \$7,173.00

Month to Date Budget Req. - \$18,023.10

Month to Date Giving - \$20,295.25

# NEWS & UPDATES

## Help Needed at Downtown Tree Lighting

The Mayor's Christmas Tree Lighting is **November 23 4:30 p.m. – 7 p.m.** at the Mural park 603 East 4<sup>th</sup> Street. West Haven will be serving hot chocolate and cider again this year. If you can help see Pastor Ryon. This a great community event with a lot of opportunities for conversation. Details:

- **3:00 pm prep**
- **4:30-7:00 pm event**
- **7:00 pm clean-up**

## Congratulations to Pastor Nathan

Congratulations to Pastor Nathan LaFave on his ordination last Sunday night. We are excited to make it “official” for him and his wife Jenny and their daughters Lilly and Belle. If you weren't able to be here, feel free to send him a card or a note of appreciation. His address is: 1221 S Delaware Tonganoxie, KS 66086. Feel free to include a gift with the card if God so moves you! God bless you!  
– Bro. Mike

## Thanksgiving Dinner— Nov. 24

Please join us **at 5:00 p.m.** for a Thanksgiving Dinner in the Fellowship Hall, Sunday, **November 24.** Sunday morning at 9:15 a.m. ABF will be combined in the Worship Center. Children's Sunday School will still be available. Sign up to attend the dinner is at the Welcome Center. Food/dessert sign up on the white board is in the foyer.

## Budget Hearing—Nov. 24

A budget hearing will take place at **4:30 p.m.** in the hospitality room.

## 2020 Budgets available

The 2020 proposed budget is available at the Welcome Center. If you are a member, we encourage you to pick one up. You can ask questions about the budget at the upcoming budget hearing, by contacting our Stewardship Team (Donna Osborne, Jon Hain, Mike Emery, Bob Link, Audra Boone, or Dan Williams), or Alexa Ferguson our financial secretary. The budget vote will be **Dec. 8.** We are looking forward to an exciting year next year!

## *A Weekly Note From* **Pastor Mike Bronson**

**It's good to be back with you this morning after a powerful Spiritual Growth Conference and a necessary week off for me.** Thank you to you who inquired as to my wellbeing. I'm doing fine and looking forward to the rest of the year and to 2020. With the coming new decade in mind, today I am preaching the first of two sermons to set the tone for what God has for us. I'll also preach a sermon on Jan. 5 in the same vein, if the Lord tarries.

**Today our Stewardship Team presents a 2020 budget.** A budget letter and the budget is available at the Welcome Center. I'm more excited about this budget than any of the years I've been at West Haven. The most significant change is we are increasing our outreach from \$4,500 to \$20,000. We are also increasing our missions giving. Members will vote on the budget in December.

**The world has changed dramatically in the past 10 years.** Each decade we find a greater rate of change than the one before. As an established church, we must change our ways in order to reach people. The days of opening the doors and expecting people to come are over. We have to go to them. This budget reflects the changes we need to make to do exactly that. And make no mistake: He has supplied us with the mandate, the manpower, and the means. And opportunity is today. I want us to invest our lives so there are no regrets nor remorse at the end of our days.

**C.T. Studd was a star cricket player in the 1800s who gave up his career and wealth and became a missionary.** He said, “Some wish to live within the sound of church or chapel bell; I want to run a rescue shop within a yard of hell.” Let's emulate him in the days to come and bring many to Jesus. God bless you!

## *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 6:00 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**

**PASTOR MIKE BRONSON**  
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#### **STUDENT MINISTRY**

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**Bill Weatherford**      Wbweather@yahoo.com

## 2019 Prayer Requests:



### November 10, 2019

Philip: delayed chemo due to an infection, recently released from hospital (Grace Windler)  
The righteous path for my kids and family. For direction & wisdom (Michael Boyd)  
Readying house for sale on time; health to continue the work ( Al & Annie Anderson)  
John's aunt Cindy has passed away. Prayer that her children will turn their grief over to The Lord (John & Zaydie Foster)  
Nancy: lost her dad, please pray for her, Douglas, Ducan, & Cole (Larry & Carol Anderson's daughter-in-law)  
Michelle Fridlington's mom had a stroke. Prayers please for healing and wisdom for her medical team.

### November 3, 2019

Prayers for those that have fallen away from church (Jenny Worden)  
Moved recently to Edmond, Oklahoma. Pray to find a new church to call home and to be active in sharing the Gospel where I work. (Marcus Titterington)  
Karli Harnden: pray for her physical therapy that it can help her and keep her from frequent falls. (Bill & Denise's granddaughter)  
Please pray for a friend of mine who is wanting to stop smoking & asking for prayers (Amber Workman)  
Pray for a great movement in our church & community from the blessing of the conference (Donna Gambrell)  
Carol Hinesley: cancer (Gail Drake's best friend)  
Cindy Jones: passing of twin sister (Gail Drake)  
Myrle Leevitt: passing of daughter (Gail Drake)  
Praise for the SGC, prayers for follow through needed! (Donna Osborne)  
Prayers for son's marriage and President Trump (Al & Annie Anderson)  
Please pray the Lord would heal my back. I have been dealing with chronic back pain for a very long time. Please pray for medical or miraculous healing. Please also pray for God's hand on my life/direction/guidance for future. I need the Lord to guide my steps. There are several opportunities & paths on my mind I must make decisions about. (Luke visiting from Okla.)  
For Jim and his team traveling to and from Korea today and back in 3 weeks (Kim H.)  
Health issues for Sharon (kidney failure), needing a kidney transplant (Boyd & Sharon Huntington)  
Kathy Laub: is in the hospital with double pneumonia and a low sodium level that isn't responding to treatment. (Michelle Fridlington's mom)  
Evan: fell & tore some ligaments & fractured his heel. Please pray for healing & no complications requiring surgery. (Loretta Kunard's son)

### Expecting Mothers of WHBC:

Kristen Hain: December 2019  
Amber Workman: April 2020  
Jessie Schultz: April 2020

### Other Expecting Mothers:

### Long Term Requests:

Nick Cox: In prison (Kevin Cobb's nephew)  
Raiden Harnden: Spina Bifida (Bill & Denise Harnden's grandson)  
Karli Harnden: Knies 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)  
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  
Aaron McIntyre: prayers for good health & safety while studying abroad in China (Mike & Michelle McIntyre's son)  
Sarah Breuer and family  
Zack Langford: (Randy & Pam Stevens' grandson)  
C.J. Shiner: left 9/10/18 for the WorldRace Gap Year, 9 month mission trip in 4 countries (Cary & Tracy Shiner's son)

### Military:

1LT Parker Osborne, US ARMY: stationed at Ft. Jackson, SC (Donna Osborne's daughter)  
TSgt. Ben Goldsberry: USAF, Ft. Bragg, NC (Donna Osborne's nephew)  
1LT Dan Hopkins, Jr., US ARMY, 9 months deployment to Korea (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, Fort Bliss, TX (Dan & Sesuk Hopkins' son)  
Derrick Wagner: Air Force (Jennifer Belcher's brother)  
Staff Sergeant Joshua Spruill: USAF stationed at Alamogordo, AFB, NM (Mike & Becky Derzinski's nephew)  
Lexis Fehol: Air Force Basic, San Antonio, TX (Elisabeth Laundry's friend)  
Andrew Stueckemann: Navy-Navy at Naval Air Station North Island (San Diego, CA) (Cathy Stueckemann's son)  
Austin Stueckemann: ARMY, stationed at Fort Campbell KY/TN (Cathy Stueckemann's son)  
Elisabeth Schaffer: US ARMY (Brad & LuAnna Lingo's niece)  
A1C Rebecca Baggett: Air National Guard Tennessee (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: U.S. Navy Nuclear Power Training Command, Charleston, SC (Mike & Becky Derzinski)  
Jacob Derzinski: US Marine Corp , US Army quartermaster school, Ft. Lee, VA, (Mike & Becky Derzinski's son)  
Ian Wheaton: US Navy—Pearl Harbor (Kirk & Lenora's family friend)  
LCDR Catherine Hopkins, US Navy Univ. of Iowa (Dan & Sesuk Hopkins' daughter-in-law)