

Pastor's Note



I'm glad to see you this morning! Last Sunday was God-blessed. I taught seven wonderful people in the first week of our current New Members class. Then we experienced a God-blessed worship service. I've received tremendous feedback from you on the sermon, the music, the singing, the atmosphere and the joy. I pray the sermon cleared

the air for many of you regarding the difficulties of our day and the dysfunction of the coming election. If you were unable to be here, remember that you can listen to every sermon on our website under the "Resources" section.

This morning we continue in Luke 5. The title of the sermon is "Enjoying Jesus." Studies have shown that first generation Christians, i.e. the first in their family to follow Christ, tend to be warm-hearted for Him their entire life. Second generation Christians, being raised in the faith, tend to be less fervent. Third generation Christians have heard the faith from the parents and grandparents. They tend to be the most likely to "lose their first love." Of course these are generalities but since overfamiliarity and an abundance of blessings are an ever-present danger. We can reach the point where we think "Jesus, the church, Bible study, who cares?" It's important for us to ENJOY Jesus! This text shows us ways to do exactly that! Thanks for being here this morning!

Next Sunday night is our monthly prayer meeting. In light of all that is happening, we want to make it time of fasting and mourning. The Bible only commanded one fast and that for Jews on the Day of Atonement. However, fasting is appropriate when we are deeply burdened or troubled. Fasting is for when we spend long hours in prayer and there is neither time nor desire to eat. Mourning at a time like this is also appropriate. We mourn because of our sin, the sin our nation and the brokenness of this world. James 4:9-10 (NASB) tells us "Be miserable and mourn and weep; let your laughter be turned into mourning and your joy to gloom. Humble yourselves in the presence of the Lord, and He will exalt you." Please join us next Sunday evening at 6 p.m. in the Train Station. There is childcare for children 5 years old and under.

Bro. Mike

Wednesday Nights

We are discontinuing the attempt to hold a Wednesday worship service and have transitioned it to a Bible study. If you aren't serving in AWANA or Student Ministry, please join us. Bring a friend with you. Over the years, this Bible study has been a great entry point for newcomers to West Haven. Many will bring their child to AWANA. After a time, they stop in to the Bible study and eventually become a church member through baptism or statement of faith. Come join us in the new Hospitality Room accessible off the foyer. Thanks for helping us with this experiment!

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Men's Trap Shoot

Sunday, November 13, from 2:00-4:00 p.m. we'll have a Men's Trap Shoot at Randy Wager's residence. Please bring a friend from the community. Questions—see Pastor Ryon.

Insanity of God-Simulcast

Another "tool" we want to give you to "Be The Church" is a simulcast of the movie "The Insanity of God." If you were part of West Haven about two years ago, you'll recall I used several quotes and illustrations from the book. It details the true story of International Mission Board missionaries Nik and Ruth Ripken. The book and the movie answer the question of "How does faith survive, let alone flourish in the places of the world that are overcome with the darkness of sin, despair and hopelessness?" They experienced the death of their son and interviewed many persecuted Christians across the globe. This free event will be **November 13 at 6:00 p.m.** Our Student Ministry Intern Nathan LaFave is leading this. If you have questions, please contact him. Thanks! – Pastor Mike

Senior Adult Fellowship

On Monday, **November 14**, the Senior Citizen's Fellowship group will be going to Cinzetti's Italian restaurant in Overland Park for a buffet lunch. They will leave the church at 10:30 a.m. and should arrive back to the church by 1:30 p.m. Please let Rose Swain know **by Nov. 7th** if you plan to attend. Bring a friend.

Operation Christmas Child

This project demonstrates God's love to hurting children in a tangible way by partnering with churches worldwide to deliver gift-filled shoeboxes and the Good News for Jesus Christ. Please pick up information and labels in the foyer. Boxes are due no later than **November 20**. Please contact Jenny Worden if you have any questions.

Text Service

One way that we like to keep in touch with our members is through texting. We use a text messaging system to send out important updates to our schedule, as well as cancellations and other notifications about church activities. If you would like to subscribe for this free service (text messaging rates do apply), please go to www.westhavenbaptist.org and click on "text messaging" and click the word "here" and you'll see the church name in blue letters—select it and fill out the form. Be sure to reply YES to the Opt-in request so you can be sent messages. If you have any questions, you can call the church office at (913) 369-9422.

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Student Ministries Update

MISSIONS OPPORTUNITY:

On **Saturday, November 12th**, we will be serving a meal at City Union Mission in Kansas City, MO. City Union Mission is an evangelical Christian ministry committed to sharing the gospel and meeting the spiritual, physical, and emotional needs of men, women, and children who are poor or homeless. Students need to sign up to serve, as space is limited. Please see Nathan LaFave for additional information.

UPCOMING STUDENT CONFERENCE:

Amidst a culture shifting like the tide, it is imperative that students are ready to defend "the faith that was once for all delivered to the saints" (Jude 1:3). Students, mark your calendars for READY, a student conference at Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary (Kansas City, MO) on **January 27-28, 2017**. Cost for the conference is \$20. Please see Nathan LaFave for additional information, and to sign up.

Upcoming Prayer Meeting-Nov. 6

Mark your calendar for next **Sunday, November 6**. A Prayer Meeting will be held at **6 p.m. in the Train Station**. Childcare will be provided. The next prayer meeting will be **December 4** at 6 p.m. in the Train Station. Luke 21:36 (NASB) "But keep on the alert at all times, praying that you may have strength to escape all these things that are about to take place, and to stand before the Son of Man."

Budget Information

Weekly Budget Requirement: \$8,726.72

General Fund Receipts: \$5,337.00

Month to Date Budget Requirement: \$34,906.88

Month to Date Giving: \$37,574.10

Backpack Buddy Program

This week: \$0

Total given: \$7,722.00

This Week

Sunday, Oct. 30

9:15 a.m. New Member Connection Class

Thursday, Nov. 3

9:30 a.m. W.O.W. Meeting

Tuesday, Nov. 1

6 a.m. Prayer Meeting

Daylight Saving Time — will end at 2 a.m. on Sunday, Nov. 6

Wednesday, Nov. 2

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

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New to West Haven?

- Thanks for coming! I hope to meet you today! – Pastor Mike
- There is a cry room located in the southwest corner inside the worship center. It is equipped with recliners, a changing table, a few necessities, and a TV that broadcasts the service.
- The nursery is located at the north end of the lower level. You can leave your infants or preschoolers in a warm, caring and well-supervised environment. After drop-off you will be contacted via text message if needed.
- Children's Church for children K-2nd grade is located on the north side of the lower level in Room 103.

Membership

- Church membership is valued at West Haven. It is a formal commitment to a local church for divinely given purposes: receiving and giving instruction in God's Word (1 Tim 4:13; 2 Tim 4:2), serving and edifying one another (Rom 12:3-8; 1 Co. 12:4-31; 1 Pet 4:10-11), participating in the ordinances, and proclaiming the gospel (Matt 28:18-20). It requires a system of leadership, direction, teaching, discipline, an agreed theology and a set of values directing how the church will carry out life together.
- The biblical basis of membership is seen in examples such as the early church (Acts 2:41, 47; 5:14; 16:5), the establishment of church government (1 & 2 Tim, Titus), the context of epistles, and the exhortation to church discipline (1 Cor 5, Titus 3:10-11). You can explore membership by signing up for our next New Members' class! The way to join is by being baptized by immersion upon your profession of faith, by transferring your membership from another Southern Baptist Church (Acts 18:27, Rom 16:1) or by a statement of faith having been baptized by immersion in a church like belief.

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Upcoming Events

Sunday, Nov. 6

9:15 a.m. New Member Connection Class
6 p.m. Prayer Meeting (Train Station)

Tuesday, Nov. 8

General Election

Wednesday, Nov. 9

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

**November 6th
Reminders:**

**Change your Clocks!
&
Donut Fellowship
8:30-9:00 a.m.**

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calendar at
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**Enjoying Jesus
Luke 5:29-39
Oct. 30, 2016
Pastor Mike Bronson**

**1. ENJOYMENT THROUGH _____
TO JESUS**

2. ENJOYMENT THROUGH _____ JESUS

3. ENJOYMENT THROUGH _____ JESUS



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