

THE FIVE

BAPTISMS

The weekend of Feb 20/21 @ both campuses

Baptism is an outward demonstration of an inward conviction: that the one being baptized has freely chosen to trust Jesus as his or her Savior. We do not believe that baptism is a requirement for salvation, but rather an important step along the road that Jesus walked. Jesus asks us to repent and be baptized. Therefore, as disciples, we wish to live in obedience. Sign up at westgatechurch.org/baptisms.

KIDS CLUB OPEN HOUSE—ALL THROUGH MARCH

Come and see all the incredible opportunities you can have to speak into young children's lives in grades 1- 5 at Kids Club this March. You are invited to drop by either of the two Kids Clubs at Almaden Elementary or Anderson Elementary.

- Tuesdays at Almaden Elementary between 1:50-3:05 PM
- Wednesdays at Anderson Elementary between 12:50-2:00 PM

Are you built to be a part of this team as we bring hope, love, and most importantly Jesus to this group of students? You never know until you try! Contact kidsclub@westgatechurch.org if you're interested in dropping by.

BEAUTIFUL DAY

April 16 & 17, shifts from 8:00-12:00 PM and 1:00-5:00 PM

Beautiful Day is our chance to be the church instead of just attending church. We believe that a true life of faith means going out and serving our community too. We have service projects in and around the San Jose area ranging from landscaping safe homes for victims of human trafficking, to planning a dinner for single moms, to planning a dance for developmentally challenged kids. There's a place for everyone to get involved! Visit us online at www.beautifulday.org or on social media.

GIRLFRIENDS' GETAWAY

Weekend of March 18-20 in the Santa Cruz Mountains, Watsonville

Girlfriends' Getaway is a time to unplug from the daily grind, and connect and recharge with God and others. Located in the Santa Cruz Mountains, Koinonia offers many outdoor adventures, like hiking, a ropes course, and more. But the real treat is time to connect with God and deepen your relationship with Him. Registration is now open online at westgatechurch.org/getaway!

KIDZTOWN— JOIN THE TEAM!

It may seem like we have a full volunteer team, but there is always a need for more loving, fun and friendly hands in KidzTown! We are gearing up to recharge our volunteers for another season, and we'd love to invite you to get a glimpse into what it looks like to be a part of the team! We have recharge events on a couple different days, just email kids@westgatechurch.org, grab your calendars, and we'll get you plugged in!

HEBREWS

PART 1: The Greatness of Jesus

GIRLFRIENDS' GETAWAY

I've been going to Girlfriends' Getaway for five years now and it's one of the highlights of my year. We move so fast these days, even at church, and it's just good to slow down and get to know some of the faces we see each weekend.

I remember the first year I went to Girlfriends' Getaway, I summoned up all my courage and went even though I was new to WestGate and didn't know a single soul. A wonderful woman, Julie Bradley, stepped in and made me feel instantly welcome and connected. I was no longer alone. She and the other women in our carpool stopped along the way to have dinner and by the time I got to the retreat, I had more new friends.

There's something for everyone. You can join in some fun outdoor activities, play some crazy games, spend some quiet time in your cabin or go for a walk on the beautiful grounds. And the speakers are always inspiring. I am especially excited for this year because the worship team will be women from WestGate.

So whether you are shy or the biggest extrovert, there is something for you at Girlfriends' Getaway. I hope you'll decide to go. You'll be glad that you did.

-Lynn Roberson

This year's Girlfriends' Getaway is March 18-20. You can sign up online at westgatechurch.org/getaway.



WEEKLY SERVICES

<u>Day</u>	<u>Event</u>
SAT	Worship Services, 5:00 & 6:40 PM, Worship Center JHM (Jr. High Ministry), 6:40 PM, Gym
SUN	Worship Services, 9:30 & 11:15 AM, Worship Center & Theater HSM (High School Ministry), 5:00PM, Gym
THURS	L2 (College & Young Adults), 7:00 PM, Theater

*Children's programs for Nursery - 5th grade are available at all services.

COMING UP

Find more info under "More" and "News & Events" at westgatechurch.org. Questions? Email staff@westgatechurch.org.

Baptisms - SAT/SUN, Feb 20 & 21, both campuses
GO Trip Meeting - SUN, Feb 21, 1-3 PM @ WG Saratoga Theater
Discover WestGate - SUN, Feb 28, 1-4 PM @ WG South Hills
Kidztown Live - WEDS, March 2, 5:30-7 PM @ WG Saratoga
Girlfriends' Getaway - March 18-20
Beautiful Day - April 16-17

GIVING

UPDATE FOR THE WEEK OF 02/07/16

General Offering:

Received: \$120,831
Budgeted: \$105,000

Fiscal YTD: (09/01/15—02/07/16)

Received: \$2,734,477
Budgeted: \$2,760,000

WestGate Water: (09/01/13—02/07/16)

Weekly Recycling Total: \$454.54
Inception to Date: \$72,607.46

29.2% toward well #18: New well in North Haiti

LOUD Compassion/Missions YTD:

02/07/16 - Current Received: \$595,233
Pledge Cards: 231

Please note: any designated missionary gifts will be applied to the LOUD fund.

Got questions about giving, OR want to set up online giving?

Visit: www.westgatechurch.org/give

Hebrews Jesus is Greater

How You Doin'?

1-Almost Never 2-Often 3-Almost Daily

Excessive Business

Stress/Burnout

Low Grade Guilt

Skimming

Escapism Behavior

5-7 Health

8-12 Danger

13-15 Others are glad you're here

⁹So there is a special rest still waiting for the people of God. ¹⁰For all who have entered into God's rest have rested from their labors, just as God did after creating the world. ¹¹So let us do our best (make every effort) to enter that rest. But if we disobey God, as the people of Israel did, we will fall.

Hebrews 4:9-11 NLT

The Sabbath Then

Exodus 20

Deuteronomy 5

Invitation Today

²⁸Then Jesus said, "Come to me all of you who are weary and carry heavy burdens, and I will give you rest."

Matthew 11:28 NLT

Come

Weary

Carry heavy burdens

I will give you rest

Rest

Trust

Rest

Pay Attention



**LIFE GROUP
MATERIAL**

Week of February 14, 2016

Hebrews—Week 5

Jesus is Greater

QUESTION 1:

What does *rest* mean to you? What does it look like or sound like? Is it a place or an activity or specific people?

QUESTION 2:

How rested have you felt in the last month or so? And what situations, circumstances, or habits have most factored into how rested (or *not* rested) you feel today?

QUESTION 3:

Read **Hebrews 4:9-11**. What stands out to you? Does anything in this passage encourage or challenge you personally?

QUESTION 4:

Read the following passages regarding *rest*. Spend some time discussing the unique characteristics and particulars of how *rest* in God is found and experienced in these passages. Also talk about how you've personally experienced rest in similar ways in your own life.

Exodus 33:12-14
Matthew 11:28-30
Psalms 127:1-2

QUESTION 5:

Hand out a small piece of paper and a pen to everyone. Spend some time on your own writing down all of the big upcoming things on your to-do list. You can write down stuff that's coming up this week, this month, or even later this year. Just write down everything major that you need to get done. You can choose to write your name on your paper or keep it anonymous. It's up to you. After everyone's written some things down, fold up your pieces of paper and trade them around with other people in your group. After everyone's traded a few pieces of paper around, spend some time reading and praying for the list of things you ended up with. Pray that in the midst of all the things that need to get done, this person who wrote down this list would find the time and have the discipline to regularly enter into the rest that God offers.

*For Digging Deeper videos and content, select your desired sermon at westgatechurch.org/weekend-experience.
A link to Digging Deeper is available under each sermon video.