



## THE GRAND ILLUSION?

Revelation 21:10

### 6<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER

What is real and what is not? Is the New Jerusalem and eternal life with God simply pie-in-the-sky? Or does the devil create a grand illusion for humanity?

#### Secretary

*Preaching & Teaching the Truth to His  
Expanding Kingdom, Reaching Out to All!*

**The Lutheran Church & School of Messiah  
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**6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter  
(May 22, 2022)**

*The Lord's Supper: If you are visiting with us or have not been instructed in the unique Lutheran teaching regarding the Lord's Supper, we kindly ask you to speak to the Pastor before communing. If you would like to come up for a blessing, feel free to do so. Simply cross your arms over your chest to let the Pastor know you would like a blessing. Thank you.*

**Divine Service 4**

**Announcements**

**Sharing Peace (Shalom) of Christ**

**Confession and Absolution**

**Opening Hymn: The Day of Resurrection**

*LSB 478*

*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their baptism.*

P In the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C **who made heaven and earth.**

P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**

P Since we are gathered to hear God’s Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

C **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

## Service of the Word

### Introit

*Ps. 55:4, 16–18; antiphon: Ps. 55:22*

Cast your burden on the LORD, and he will sus- | tain you;\*  
he will never permit the righteous to | be moved.

**My heart is in anguish with- | in me;\***  
**the terrors of death have fallen up- | on me.**

But I | call to God,\*  
and the LORD will | save me.

**Evening and morning and at noon I utter my com- | plaint and moan,\***  
**and he | hears my voice.**

He redeems my soul in safety from the battle | that I wage,\*  
for many are arrayed a- | gainst me.

**Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\***  
**and to the Holy | Spirit;**

**as it was in the be- | ginning,\***  
**is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**

Cast your burden on the LORD, and he will sus- | tain you;\*  
he will never permit the righteous to | be moved.

### Kyrie

*LSB 204*

C **Lord, have mercy.**  
**Christ, have mercy.**  
**Lord, have mercy.**

### Gloria in Excelsis

*LSB 204*

C **To God on high be glory  
And peace to all the earth;  
Goodwill from God in heaven  
Proclaimed at Jesus' birth!  
We praise and bless You, Father;  
Your holy name we sing—  
Our thanks for Your great glory,  
Lord God, our heav'nly King.**

**To You, O sole-begotten,  
The Father's Son, we pray;  
O Lamb of God, our Savior,  
You take our sins away.  
Have mercy on us, Jesus;  
Receive our heartfelt cry,  
Where You in pow'r are seated  
At God's right hand on high—**

**For You alone are holy,  
You only are the Lord.  
Forever and forever,  
Be worshiped and adored;  
You with the Holy Spirit  
Alone are Lord Most High,  
In God the Father's glory.  
"Amen!" our glad reply.**

### **Salutation and Collect of the Day**

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.

O God, the giver of all that is good, by Your holy inspiration grant that we may think those things that are right and by Your merciful guiding accomplish them; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

*Sit*

## First Reading

*Acts 16:9–15*

<sup>9</sup> A vision appeared to Paul in the night: a man of Macedonia was standing there, urging him and saying, “Come over to Macedonia and help us.”

<sup>10</sup>And when Paul had seen the vision, immediately we sought to go on into Macedonia, concluding that God had called us to preach the gospel to them.

<sup>11</sup>So, setting sail from Troas, we made a direct voyage to Samothrace, and the following day to Neapolis, <sup>12</sup>and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city some days. <sup>13</sup>And on the Sabbath day we went outside the gate to the riverside, where we supposed there was a place of prayer, and we sat down and spoke to the women who had come together. <sup>14</sup>One who heard us was a woman named Lydia, from the city of Thyatira, a seller of purple goods, who was a worshiper of God. The Lord opened her heart to pay attention to what was said by Paul.

<sup>15</sup>And after she was baptized, and her household as well, she urged us, saying, “If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come to my house and stay.” And she prevailed upon us.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

## Second Reading

*Revelation 21:9–14, 21–27*

<sup>9</sup>Then came one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls full of the seven last plagues and spoke to me, saying, “Come, I will show you the Bride, the wife of the Lamb.” <sup>10</sup>And he carried me away in the Spirit to a great, high mountain, and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God, <sup>11</sup>having the glory of God, its radiance like a most rare jewel, like a jasper, clear as crystal. <sup>12</sup>It had a great, high wall, with twelve gates, and at the gates twelve angels, and on the gates the names of the twelve tribes of the sons of Israel were inscribed— <sup>13</sup>on the east three gates, on the north three gates, on the south three gates, and on the west three gates. <sup>14</sup>And the wall of the city had twelve foundations, and on them were the twelve names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb.

<sup>21</sup>And the twelve gates were twelve pearls, each of the gates made of a single pearl, and the street of the city was pure gold, transparent as glass.

<sup>22</sup>And I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb.

<sup>23</sup>And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God gives it light, and its lamp is the Lamb. <sup>24</sup>By its light will the nations walk, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it, <sup>25</sup>and its gates will never be shut by day—and there will be no night there. <sup>26</sup>They will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. <sup>27</sup>But nothing unclean

will ever enter it, nor anyone who does what is detestable or false, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

*Stand as you are able*

### **Alleluia and Verse**

C **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

C **These things are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God.**

C **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

### **Holy Gospel**

*John 16:23–33*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the sixteenth chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>23</sup>In that day you will ask nothing of me. Truly, truly, I say to you, whatever you ask of the Father in my name, he will give it to you. <sup>24</sup>Until now you have asked nothing in my name. Ask, and you will receive, that your joy may be full.

<sup>25</sup>"I have said these things to you in figures of speech. The hour is coming when I will no longer speak to you in figures of speech but will tell you plainly about the Father. <sup>26</sup>In that day you will ask in my name, and I do not say to you that I will ask the Father on your behalf; <sup>27</sup>for the Father himself loves you, because you have loved me and have believed that I came from God. <sup>28</sup>I came from the Father and have come into the world, and now I am leaving the world and going to the Father."

<sup>29</sup>His disciples said, "Ah, now you are speaking plainly and not using figurative speech! <sup>30</sup>Now we know that you know all things and do not need anyone to question you; this is why we believe that you came from God." <sup>31</sup>Jesus answered them, "Do you now believe? <sup>32</sup>Behold, the hour is coming, indeed it has come, when you will be scattered, each to his own home, and will leave me alone. Yet I am not alone, for the Father is with me. <sup>33</sup>I have said these things to you, that in me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

## **Apostles' Creed**

LSB 207

*["Creed" comes from the Latin credo, which means "I believe." From the time of Pentecost, the Ancient Christian Church has confessed a creed. The Early Christian Church has always believed, taught, and confessed these Scriptural teachings. This is why we are called a Creedal Church.]*

**C I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died and was buried.  
He descended into hell.  
The third day He rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.  
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy Christian Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life T everlasting. Amen.**

*Sit*

## **Kid's Message**

**Hymn of the Day: Jerusalem, O City Fair and High**

LSB 674

**Sermon     *Which is the Grand Illusion?*     Revelation 21:10 & John 16:33**

*Stand as you are able*

## **Prayer of the Church**

**Offering:** *a basket is located outside of the sanctuary doors. Envelopes are available if you would like one.*

## Service of the Sacrament

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### Preface

LSB 208

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

### Sanctus

LSB 208

C **Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth adored;  
Heav'n and earth with full acclaim shout the glory of Your name.  
Sing hosanna in the highest, sing hosanna to the Lord;  
Truly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord.**

### Prayer of Thanksgiving

P Blessed are You, O Lord our God ...

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

### Lord's Prayer

LSB 209

C **Our Father who art in heaven,  
hallowed be Thy name,**



**Thy kingdom come,  
Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven;  
give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.**

**For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

*[\* The Conclusion for the Lord's Prayer is not in Matthew or Luke. The Conclusion is from 1Chronicles 29:10-11, King David's prayer in the assembly.]*

## **The Words Institution**

### **Pax Domini**

*LSB 209*

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
C **Amen.**

### **Agnus Dei**

*LSB 210*

C **O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
You take the sin of the world away;  
O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
Have mercy on us, Lord, we pray.**

**O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
You take the sin of the world away;  
Have mercy on us, Jesus Christ,  
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.**

*Sit*

## **Distribution and Hymns**

**Distribution Hymn: I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table** *LSB 618*

**Distribution Hymn: O Day of Rest and Gladness** *LSB 906*

**Distribution Hymn: Want to Walk as a Child of the Light** *LSB 411*

*Stand as you are able*

## Nunc Dimittis

LSB 211

C O Lord, now let Your servant  
Depart in heav'nly peace,  
For I have seen the glory  
Of Your redeeming grace:  
A light to lead the Gentiles  
Unto Your holy hill,  
The glory of Your people,  
Your chosen Israel.

All glory to the Father,  
All glory to the Son,  
All glory to the Spirit,  
Forever Three in One;  
For as in the beginning,  
Is now, shall ever be,  
God's triune name resounding  
Through all eternity.

## Post-Communion Collect

A Let us pray. ...  
C Amen.

## Benedicamus and Benediction. *[Latin for God's "Good Speak" to you]*

A Let us bless the Lord.  
C **Thanks be to God.**

P The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and T give you peace.

C **Amen.**

## Closing Hymn: He's Risen, He's Risen

LSB 480

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## 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter



### **Revelation 21:10 & John 16:33 *Which is The Grand Illusion?***

This is the 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter. The Ascension of Christ is celebrated in the Christian Church this Thursday, which is the time when Jesus ascended into heaven. He would leave the disciples and assume His rightful place on God's throne. But He wouldn't leave them alone. He would send the Holy Spirit among them and in them.

Satan's work is to hinder the work of Christ and His Church here on earth. He does this by inciting lies and moving hearts to believe his lies. One of these is to distort reality.

- What is real in your life? Are there sins of the past that plague you?
- What else is happening in your life that creates doubt about Jesus and His presence?
- Do you know someone who thinks that Jesus and Christianity are simply pie-in-the-sky?
- Which is *really* the grand illusion?

**Those Serving in our Services**  
**The week of May 22, 2022**

<b>Preacher</b>	<b>Rev. Michael Redeker</b>	
<b>Organist</b>	<b>Richard Scott</b>	
<b>Acolytes</b>	<b>Sunday</b>	<b>9:00am Elle Diedrich, Cal Diedrich</b>
<b>Elders</b>	<b>Sunday</b>	<b>9:00am Peter Chaney &amp; Boyd Arnold</b>
<b>Ushers</b>	<b>Thad Noyes, Curtis Peterson, John O'Connor, Dean Hollatz</b>	
<b>Greeters</b>	<b>9:00am</b>	<b>VOLUNTEERS NEEDED</b>
<b>Videographer:</b>	<b>Jeremy Skoog</b>	

**Calendar for the Week**  
**of May 22, 2022**

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>9:00am</b>	<b>COMMUNION, WORSHIP, Facebook Live</b>
	<b>10:30am</b>	<b>Revelation Bible Study - FH</b>
	<b>10:30am</b>	<b>Sunday School and Bible Class</b>

**Monday**

<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>4:00-5:00pm</b>	<b>Junior High Youth-MPR</b>
	<b>5:30-7:00pm</b>	<b>Senior High Youth-MPR</b>
	<b>6:00pm</b>	<b>Board of Evangelism</b>

<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>6:00pm</b>	<b>NO CHURCH</b>
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**Thursday**

<b>Friday</b>		<b>Pastor's Day Off</b>
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**Saturday**

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>9:00am</b>	<b>COMMUNION &amp; WORSHIP, Facebook Live</b>
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**ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK  
OF May 22, 2022**

**IN ORDER TO NOT LEAVE AN ANNOUNCEMENT OUT OF THE BULLETIN, PLEASE USE THE “LUTHERAN CHURCH AND SCHOOL OF MESSIAH BULLETIN-NEWSLETTER PUBLICATION FORM” FOUND IN THE RACK OUTSIDE THE OFFICE DOOR. TURN IT INTO THE OFFICE WHEN COMPLETE. THANK YOU! Don't use little pieces of paper, they tend to get lost in the shuffle.**

**\*\*\*\*\*BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS ARE DUE TO THE CHURCH OFFICE BY WEDNESDAY MORNING AT 9:00AM. THANK YOU\*\*\*\*\***

**BIBLE STUDIES CANCELED: Wednesday bible study of Leviticus and Thursday online bible study – Leviticus will be canceled and will resume in August.**

**New Member Sunday June 5<sup>th</sup>!** All come eat and fellowship with your church family immediately following 9am service in the Fellowship Hall! It's a brunch potluck this time, bring dishes to share. “That we may be mutually encouraged by each other's faith, both yours and mine.”-Romans 1:12. See you there!!

**The 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> Grade Class Donations-** Thank you to everyone who chose to help cover the high gasoline costs for this trip. We appreciate your generosity and your support! -Kathy Reed

**VBS ITEMS NEEDED: VBS runs from June 13-17. We need various items. Please check the bulletin board and help out where you can. Anything is appreciated!**

**Donations for VBS can be stored in the Extended Day Room. This room can be accessed from 9:00am – Noon prior to VBS.**

**CHURCH CAMP IS CANCELLED DUE TO A WEDDING AND LACK OF FUNDS.** We'll let you know dates for next year's camp as soon as we know them. Questions??? Call Karen Skoog at 970-245-2838 and leave a message.

**Music Coordinator –** The church is looking for someone to be the Music Coordinator for services. Organists are already taken care of so we want someone who would be the go-to person when others want to share their voices or instruments at a church service. The coordinator would help set dates, work with the organists, etc. to help add more music to our worship experiences. This job could be done entirely at home. Call the office if interested or give Karen Skoog a call @970-242-2986 and leave a message.

## INCOME FOR THE PERIOD: 5/11/2022 – 5/17/2022

### Amounts

<b>Weekly Donations</b>	<b>\$18,828.50</b>
<b>Weekly Need</b>	<b>\$20,411.00</b>
<b>Month to Date</b>	<b>\$53,266.88</b>
<b>Monthly Need</b>	<b>\$81,642.00</b>

**SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM** – Fund Raising continues. If you would like to donate, please write “scholarship” on the memo line of your paper or “online” check. Thank you!

**National Youth Gathering**– Less than 50 days and our group of 15 leave for Houston! We learned this week that the SUV we were planning to take is no longer available. We need a replacement. If you have a SUV that you would be willing to let us borrow July 7-15, please contact me. If we cannot find a replacement vehicle, then we are looking at an additional \$1,200 in rental fees that we would need to raise. We are also looking for donations to help cover the cost of shirts and snacks. We will be taking donations for JUCO parking that will cover our gas costs for our travel. If you would like to donate to this wonderful opportunity, please let me know or mark on your offering envelope. These amazing students have worked so hard and are very excited for this opportunity to grow in their faith, make new friendships, and see that they are not alone in their faith with 25,000 other young Lutherans! Thank you for all your support and prayers! Thank you! Glacia **970-201-0038**.

**Youth Group** will be going to Corn Lake on May 31<sup>st</sup>. Youth will meet at the church @ 6:00pm to leave and will be returning at @ 8:00pm.

**YARD SALE for 2022 is July 14<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, and 16<sup>th</sup>**. We will be accepting donations beginning May 23<sup>rd</sup> in the gym, Monday thru Friday from 9am to 3pm. **The first week of set-up will begin on Monday, June 27<sup>th</sup>**. We welcome any help, even if it is only for an hour. LUNCH is provided for all helpers. **There are already several requests for pick-ups**. We have a trailer and transportation for these pick-ups. **Now we need strong backs to help load and unload these donations**. **For the Yard Sale days**, we need Sales Staff and Carry Out help. **\*\*Very important\*\*** Please sign-up to help on Sat. July 16<sup>th</sup> at 2pm, **Fresh Volunteers are needed to pack remaining donations and deliver to ARC, Salvation Army or your favorite charity**. Please call Debbie Fenske at 970-640-1470 with questions. **I will also have sign-up sheets set out in the narthex and west entrance**. **Thank you, Debbie**

**THRIVENT CHOICE DOLLARS**- Thrivent members, do not forget to direct your Choice Dollars to the church general fund or to the school scholarship fund. You have 2 easy options to direct your Choice Dollars: Online at [www.thrivent.com](http://www.thrivent.com) or by calling **800-847-4836**.

**NIGHT VISION**: Praise Him Ministries is hosting the Night Vision event on July 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> right here in Grand Junction at Intermountain Veterans Memorial Park! If you would like to see a lineup of the performers for each day, you can do so @ [www.praisehimministries.org](http://www.praisehimministries.org). If you wish to purchase tickets, you can do so online @ [www.phmtickets.com](http://www.phmtickets.com)

**SPANISH TEACHER NEEDED FOR THE NEXT YEAR**– We STILL need a Spanish teacher for the 2022-2023 school year. If you know of a Christian who would be able to teach 10 hours a week in the afternoons, please have them contact Karen Mead. Please keep your ear to the ground and help us discover who God has set aside for us.

**BIRTHRIGHT UPDATE:** Birthright's guiding principle is "It is the right of every pregnant woman to give birth, and the right of every child to be born." Their motto is "We love them BOTH, mother and baby." Their current needs are diapers sizes 4 and 5 and wipes. They could also use towels and bath supplies, boys clothing (preemies through 12 months), girls' clothing (preemies through 24 months), socks size 12 months through 24 months. All donations are always appreciated. Thank you for your support.

**SHE HAS A NAME:** "SheHasAName" is a nonprofit organization dedicated to helping girls in Kenya get out of poverty-based prostitution. For several years this organization has led trips to Kenya to support and serve, bringing Christ's presence to the people who need it. Because of COVID-19, there has not been a trip since 2019, but this year from June 15 – 18 a group will be going. As a college student with my heart in ministry, this is an opportunity too good to let pass. If you are willing to donate financially to help this trip happen, I would be beyond grateful! Of course, I am willing to work for support as well, so if you have a job for me be sure to let me know! The total trip cost will be between \$2,500 and \$3,000 and it is advised to have the ticket cost covered ASAP (\$1,200-\$1,500). Be on the lookout for fundraisers and please contact me if you would like to help support me or any other students! To learn more, you can contact me at **970-985-5660** or Email: [cjpowell48@gmail.com](mailto:cjpowell48@gmail.com).. Thank you, Chris Hayes.

**LMWL MITES-** Mite boxes are used for the collection of money for missions. Twenty-five per cent of the mite offering is sent to international LMWL for mission projects. Mite Money is used to further God's Kingdom through the mission projects selected by delegates at district and international conventions. Place your mite box wherever you can feed it: dressing table, office desk, laundry room, car, kitchen counter, etc. You mite want to give your mite box to family members and friends.

**We are still seeking donations for Letha Wallace's moving expenses** to Grand Junction in June. Letha has accepted the call to be our 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> grade teacher.

### **LCMS FOUNDATION GIFT PLANNING MESSAGE:**

Faithful stewardship of your estate means keeping up with changes in the world, in your personal life and making sure your plans are up to date. Tax laws change constantly as different political parties move in and out of power. Thirty years ago, an estate might have had to pay federal estate tax if it was valued over 600,000. Today that number is \$12 million. Five years ago, you could bequest your IRA to family over their lifetime. Today they must cash it out in ten years. Your Messiah Gift Planning Counselor can help you begin to identify areas where your taxes and your plan do not line up. Contact Jason Jones at [Jason.Jones@lfnd.org](mailto:Jason.Jones@lfnd.org) or call him directly at **(970) 988-0305**.

**MESSIAH'S RADIO MINISTRY-** Sunday mornings at 8:30am – 9:00am on radio station 1100AM/KNZZ. It is followed by The Lutheran Hour at 9:00am. If you would like to be a sponsor for our radio ministry, contact the church off, **970-245-2838**.

**Church and School Secretary-** In case you haven't noticed, we have a new secretary. Her name is Desiray Gonzales. Here is a little Bio about her, written by her. "First, I would like to thank everyone I have already met for being so welcoming, and I look forward to meeting more of the congregation. I moved to Grand Junction in 2006 to attend CMU and have lived here ever since. I am a mother to one child; her name is Aaliyah Gonzales. I enjoy working with youth and hope to have an outreach for troubled youth in the future." Please come in and welcome her!

**PRAYER REQUESTS—** *"But when you pray, go into your room, close the door, and pray to your Father, who is unseen. Then your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you."* Prayer requests for you, family with permission, or by a pastor, may be sent to Beth Weber at [weber4342@acsol.net](mailto:weber4342@acsol.net).