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WHAT KIND OF TRUST IS  
NEEDED IN SPIRITUAL  
WARFARE?

October 2, 2022

This is the time in the Church Year called the Church Militant. The Christian Church's overarching theme focuses on spiritual warfare on the Christian Church and the Christian. Spiritual warfare can wear you down and wear you down fast! Nevertheless, the Victor Jesus is always with you!

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

# The Lutheran Church & School of Messiah

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Announcements & Sharing of Christ's Shalom/Peace

## Confession and Absolution

*Stand*

**Opening Hymn: God of Grace #850**

- 1 God of grace and God of glory,  
On Your people pour Your pow'r;  
Crown Your ancient Church's story;  
Bring its bud to glorious flow'r.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage  
For the facing of this hour,  
For the facing of this hour.
  
- 2 Lo, the hosts of evil round us  
Scorn the Christ, assail His ways!  
From the fears that long have bound us  
Free our hearts to faith and praise.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage  
For the living of these days,  
For the living of these days.
  
- 3 Cure Your children's warring madness;  
Bend our pride to Your control;  
Shame our wanton, selfish gladness,  
Rich in things and poor in soul.

Grant us wisdom, grant us courage  
Lest we miss Your kingdom's goal,  
Lest we miss Your kingdom's goal.

- 4 Save us from weak resignation  
To the evils we deplore;  
Let the gift of Your salvation  
Be our glory evermore.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,  
Serving You whom we adore,  
Serving You whom we adore.

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

## Reception of Members by Transfer or Profession of Faith

- P Beloved in the Lord, our Lord Jesus Christ said to His apostles:  
“Whoever confesses Me before men, I will also confess before My Father who is in heaven. But whoever denies Me before men, I will also deny before My Father who is in heaven.” Lift up your hearts, therefore, to the God of all grace and joyfully give answer to what I now ask you in the name of the Lord.
- P Do you this day in the presence of God and of this congregation acknowledge the gifts that God gave you in your Baptism?
- R *Yes, I do.*
- P Do you renounce the devil and all his works and all his ways?
- R *Yes, I renounce them.*

- P Do you believe in God, the Father Almighty, in Jesus Christ, His only Son our Lord, and in the Holy Spirit?
- R *Yes, I believe in God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.*
- P Do you hold all the prophetic and apostolic Scriptures to be the inspired Word of God and the doctrine of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, drawn from them and confessed in the Small Catechism, to be faithful and true?
- R *I do.*
- P Do you intend to hear the Word of God and receive the Lord's Supper faithfully?
- R *I do, by the grace of God.*
- P Do you intend to live according to the Word of God, and in faith, word, and deed to remain true to God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, even to death?
- R *I do, by the grace of God.*
- P Do you intend to continue steadfast in this confession and Church and to suffer all, even death, rather than fall away from it?
- R *I do, by the grace of God.*
- P Do you desire to become a member of this congregation?
- R *I do.*
- P Will you support the work our gracious Lord has given this congregation with your prayers and the gifts God has given you?
- R *I will, with the help of God.*
- P Upon this your confession of faith, I acknowledge publicly that you are [a member/members] of the Evangelical Lutheran Church and of this congregation. Receive the Lord's Supper and participate

with us in all the blessings of salvation that our Lord has given to His Church, in the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

*Stand*

P Let us pray.

Lord God, heavenly Father, we thank and praise You for Your great goodness in bringing these Your sons and daughters to the knowledge of Your Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ, and enabling them both with the heart to believe and with the mouth to confess His saving name. Grant that by Your Word and Spirit they may continue steadfast in the one true faith in the fellowship of this congregation as together we await the day when all who have fought the good fight of faith shall receive the crown of righteousness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

P The grace of our T Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

C **Amen.**

*The new members return to their places.*

### Invocation

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

C **Amen.**

### Exhortation

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P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness. [*Hebrews 10:22*]

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C **who made heaven and earth.**

- P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,  
C **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

*Kneel/Stand*

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

### Confession of Sins

*LSB 184*

- P O almighty God, merciful Father,  
C **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

### Absolution

*LSB 185*

- P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I 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

### Psalm

*Psalm 62*

- <sup>1</sup>For God alone my soul waits in silence;  
from him comes my salvation.  
<sup>2</sup>**He only is my rock and my salvation,  
my fortress;  
I shall not be greatly shaken.**

<sup>3</sup>How long will all of you attack a man  
to batter him,  
like a leaning wall, a tottering fence?

**<sup>4</sup>They only plan to thrust him down from his high position.  
They take pleasure in falsehood.  
They bless with their mouths,  
but inwardly they curse.**

<sup>5</sup>For God alone, O my soul, wait in silence,  
for my hope is from him.

**<sup>6</sup>He only is my rock and my salvation,  
my fortress;  
I shall not be shaken.**

<sup>7</sup>On God rests my salvation and my glory;  
my mighty rock, my refuge is God.

**<sup>8</sup>Trust in him at all times, O people;  
pour out your heart before him;  
God is a refuge for us.**

<sup>9</sup>Those of low estate are but a breath;  
those of high estate are a delusion;  
in the balances they go up;  
they are together lighter than a breath.

**<sup>10</sup>Put no trust in extortion;  
set no vain hopes on robbery;  
if riches increase, set not your heart on them.**

<sup>11</sup>Once God has spoken;  
twice have I heard this:  
that power belongs to God,

**<sup>12</sup>and that to you, O Lord, belongs steadfast love.  
For you will render to a man  
according to his work.**

- C **Lord, have mercy upon us.  
Christ, have mercy upon us.  
Lord, have mercy upon us. [Mark 10:27]**

## Gloria in Excelsis

- P Glory be to God on high:  
C **and on earth peace, goodwill toward men.  
We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee,  
we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.  
O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty.  
O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;  
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.  
Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer.  
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have  
mercy upon us.  
For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord.  
Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,  
art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen. [Luke  
2:14; John 1:29]**

## Salutation and Collect of the Day [2 Timothy 4:22]

- P The Lord be with you.  
C **And with thy spirit.**
- P Let us pray.  
O God, our refuge and strength, the author of all godliness, by Your grace hear the prayers of Your Church. Grant that those things which we ask in faith we may receive through Your bountiful mercy; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C **Amen.**

<sup>1</sup>The oracle that Habakkuk the prophet saw.

<sup>2</sup>O LORD, how long shall I cry for help,  
and you will not hear?

Or cry to you “Violence!”  
and you will not save?

<sup>3</sup>Why do you make me see iniquity,  
and why do you idly look at wrong?  
Destruction and violence are before me;  
strife and contention arise.

<sup>4</sup>So the law is paralyzed,  
and justice never goes forth.  
For the wicked surround the righteous;  
so justice goes forth perverted.

<sup>1</sup>I will take my stand at my watchpost  
and station myself on the tower,  
and look out to see what he will say to me,  
and what I will answer concerning my complaint.

<sup>2</sup>And the LORD answered me:

“Write the vision;  
make it plain on tablets,  
so he may run who reads it.

<sup>3</sup>For still the vision awaits its appointed time;  
it hastens to the end—it will not lie.

If it seems slow, wait for it;  
it will surely come; it will not delay.

<sup>4</sup>“Behold, his soul is puffed up; it is not upright within him,  
but the righteous shall live by his faith.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

<sup>1</sup>Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God according to the promise of the life that is in Christ Jesus,

<sup>2</sup>To Timothy, my beloved child:

Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

<sup>3</sup>I thank God whom I serve, as did my ancestors, with a clear conscience, as I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day.

<sup>4</sup>As I remember your tears, I long to see you, that I may be filled with joy. <sup>5</sup>I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that dwelt first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, dwells in you as well. <sup>6</sup>For this reason I remind you to fan into flame the gift of God, which is in you through the laying on of my hands, <sup>7</sup>for God gave us a spirit not of fear but of power and love and self-control.

<sup>8</sup>Therefore do not be ashamed of the testimony about our Lord, nor of me his prisoner, but share in suffering for the gospel by the power of God, <sup>9</sup>who saved us and called us to a holy calling, not because of our works but because of his own purpose and grace, which he gave us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, <sup>10</sup>and which now has been manifested through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel, <sup>11</sup>for which I was appointed a preacher and apostle and teacher, <sup>12</sup>which is why I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know whom I have believed, and I am convinced that he is able to guard until that Day what has been entrusted to me. <sup>13</sup>Follow the pattern of the sound words that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. <sup>14</sup>By the Holy Spirit who dwells within us, guard the good deposit entrusted to you.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

## Messiah School Kids Sing (1<sup>st</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> Graders)

*Please stand as you are able*

C **Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

## Holy Gospel

*Luke 17:1–10*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the seventeenth chapter.

C **Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup>[Jesus] said to his disciples, “Temptations to sin are sure to come, but woe to the one through whom they come! <sup>2</sup>It would be better for him if a millstone were hung around his neck and he were cast into the sea than that he should cause one of these little ones to sin. <sup>3</sup>Pay attention to yourselves! If your brother sins, rebuke him, and if he repents, forgive him, <sup>4</sup>and if he sins against you seven times in the day, and turns to you seven times, saying, ‘I repent,’ you must forgive him.”

<sup>5</sup>The apostles said to the Lord, “Increase our faith!” <sup>6</sup>And the Lord said, “If you had faith like a grain of mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, ‘Be uprooted and planted in the sea,’ and it would obey you.

<sup>7</sup>“Will any one of you who has a servant plowing or keeping sheep say to him when he has come in from the field, ‘Come at once and recline at table’? <sup>8</sup>Will he not rather say to him, ‘Prepare supper for me, and dress properly, and serve me while I eat and drink, and afterward you will eat and drink’? <sup>9</sup>Does he thank the servant because he did what was commanded? <sup>10</sup>So you also, when you have done all that you were commanded, say, ‘We are unworthy servants; we have only done what was our duty.’”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

*Creed [“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.]*

## Nicene Creed

**C I believe in one God,  
the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth  
and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the only-begotten Son of God,  
begotten of His Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light,  
very God of very God,  
begotten, not made,  
being of one substance with the Father,  
by whom all things were made;  
who for us men and for our salvation came down from  
heaven  
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary  
and was made man;  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.  
He suffered and was buried.  
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures  
and ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of the Father.  
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living  
and the dead,  
whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord and giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and  
glorified,  
who spoke by the prophets.  
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,**

**I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,  
and I look for the resurrection of the dead  
and the life  $\tau$  of the world to come. Amen.**

*Sit*

**587 I Know My Faith Is Founded**

- 1 I know my faith is founded  
On Jesus Christ, my God and Lord;  
And this my faith confessing,  
Unmoved I stand on His sure Word.  
Our reason cannot fathom  
The truth of God profound;  
Who trusts in human wisdom  
Relies on shifting ground.  
God's Word is all-sufficient,  
It makes divinely sure;  
And trusting in its wisdom,  
My faith shall rest secure.
  
- 2 Increase my faith, dear Savior,  
For Satan seeks by night and day  
To rob me of this treasure  
And take my hope of bliss away.  
But, Lord, with You beside me,  
I shall be undismayed;  
And led by Your good Spirit,  
I shall be unafraid.  
Abide with me, O Savior,  
A firmer faith bestow;  
Then I shall bid defiance  
To ev'ry evil foe.
  
- 3 In faith, Lord, let me serve You;  
Though persecution, grief, and pain

Should seek to overwhelm me,  
Let me a steadfast trust retain;  
And then at my departure,  
Lord, take me home to You,  
Your riches to inherit  
As all You said holds true.  
In life and death, Lord, keep me  
Until Your heav'n I gain,  
Where I by Your great mercy  
The end of faith attain.

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### Sermon A *'Nevertheless' Trust* Psalm 62

#### Votum

P The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts  
and minds in Christ Jesus.

C **Amen.**

*Stand*

#### Offertory [Psalm 51:10-12]

*LSB 192*

C **Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit  
within me.**

**Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy  
Spirit from me.**

**Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with  
Thy free spirit. Amen.**

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

#### Prayer of the Church [1 Timothy 2:1-4]

#### Lord's Prayer [Matthew 6:9-13]

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**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.]*

**Salutation**

*LSB 201*

P The Lord be with you.  
 C **And with thy spirit.**

**Benedicamus**

*LSB 202*

A Bless we the Lord.  
 C **Thanks be to God.**

**Benediction [Latin for God's "Good Speak" to you]**

*LSB 202*

P The Lord bless you and keep you.  
 The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.  
 The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and T give you peace.  
 C **Amen, amen, amen.**

*[Aaronic Benediction Numbers 6:24-26]*

**576 My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less**

1 My hope is built on nothing less  
 Than Jesus' blood and righteousness;  
 No merit of my own I claim  
 But wholly lean on Jesus' name. Refrain

- ref On Christ, the solid rock, I stand;  
All other ground is sinking sand,  
All other ground is sinking sand.
- 2 When darkness veils His lovely face,  
I rest on His unchanging grace;  
In ev'ry high and stormy gale  
My anchor holds within the veil. Refrain
- 3 His oath, His covenant and blood  
Support me in the raging flood;  
When ev'ry earthly prop gives way,  
He then is all my hope and stay. Refrain
- 4 When He shall come with trumpet sound,  
Oh, may I then in Him be found,  
Clothed in His righteousness alone,  
Redeemed to stand before His throne! Refrain

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***Join us downstairs for a potluck welcoming new members and fellowship!***

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## Sermon Notes

# nevertheless

### *Psalm 62*

### *How's Your Faith When the Devil Attacks? Nevertheless ...*

This is the Time of the Church Year called The Church Militant. It began September 29 and runs through October 31, Reformation Day. The Christian is always under attack and in spiritual warfare—not just during the month of October, but EVERY DAY.

- What are some of the attacks and arrows the devil throws your way?
- In what do you trust FIRST; God, yourself, people and money?

The devil wants to shake and destroy your faith using external things in this world. But he also is sneaky in that Satan works on the Christian's heart and emotions as well.

The words 'temptation' and 'cause' to sin are found in Luke 17:1-2. The Greek is *skandala* (temptation) and *skandalisē*. We get our English word and verb 'scandal' and 'to scandalize' from these.

Jesus speaks to His disciples about another personal area in spiritual warfare, namely, forgiving sins.

- Is there something in your life that might cause another Christian to stumble in his/her faith?
- Is there someone that you're to forgive but you're finding it difficult?

God wants us to trust completely in Him during our time of spiritual warfare. He gives you a *Nevertheless* faith in Jesus.

## The Week of October 2, 2022

**Preacher:** Rev. Michael Redeker  
**Organist:** Richard Scott  
**Acolytes:** Wednesday Tucker Klein  
                  Sunday Jasmine Salazar, KateLynn Byrne  
**Elders:** Victor Lozano, John O'Conner  
**Ushers:** Jack Messenger, Dean Hollatz, John McDowell, Dennis Phillips  
**Greeters:** Donna Bruns  
**Videographer:** Chris Hayes  
**Angels Performance:** K-4<sup>th</sup> Grade

### Calendar for the Week of October 2, 2022

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>9:00am</b>	<b>COMMUNION, WORSHIP, Facebook Live</b>
	<b>10:30am</b>	<b>New Member Potluck Brunch- FH</b>
	<b>2:45pm</b>	<b>Life Chain</b>
	<b>3:00pm</b>	<b>Jr. Youth Group</b>
<b>Monday</b>	<b>3:15pm</b>	<b>Faculty Meeting- MPR</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>9:00am</b>	<b>Quilt Ladies- FH</b>
	<b>6:00pm</b>	<b>Sr. Youth Group</b>
	<b>7:00pm</b>	<b>Elders Meeting</b>
	<b>7:00pm</b>	<b>Compassionate Friends</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>8:30am</b>	<b>Chapel</b>
	<b>9:30am</b>	<b>Bible Study- FH</b>
	<b>6:00pm</b>	<b>Church</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>10:00am</b>	<b>Lynn's Bible Study- Library</b>
	<b>5:30pm</b>	<b>Volleyball Game- Landmark Baptist GJ, CO.</b>
	<b>6:30pm</b>	<b>Handbells</b>
	<b>6:30pm</b>	<b>Bible Study- Zoom</b>
<b>Friday</b>		<b>1/2 Day of School</b>
		<b>Pastor's Day Off</b>
	<b>5:30PM</b>	<b>Volleyball Game- Home</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>11:00am</b>	<b>Jim Nyland Funeral</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>9:00am</b>	<b>COMMUNION, WORSHIP, Facebook Live</b>
	<b>3:00pm</b>	<b>Jr. Youth Group</b>

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF October 2, 2022**

**Today, October 2<sup>nd</sup>**, is the annual Life Chain Event. It is here at Messiah Lutheran starting at 2:45pm. We will hold signs and pray along North Ave. and 12<sup>th</sup> St. This is a wonderful opportunity to stand for Life peacefully and publicly.

**Sauerkraut-** The Evangelism Committee will be making sauerkraut Monday **Oct. 3<sup>rd</sup> at 3pm** for the Reformation Dinner. If you would like to help or learn how to make sauerkraut, please join us to shred 12 cabbages. Thank you, **Roxanne Lewis**

**Church Council Board Members -** At the Semi-Annual Congregational Meeting in **November**, New Board Members will be voted in to serve on the Church Council. Messiah's 7 Boards are as follows: **Elders, Evangelism, Parochial Education, Christian Education, Stewardship, Trustee and Finance**. All Boards need new members. **Please prayerfully consider** serving on a board. If you would like more information regarding a specific board, please **call the office** and we will connect you with one of the Board Members.

**\*SCHOLARSHIP PLEDGES NEEDED\*** for 22/23 School Year are **\$4,500 per month** August through May. An anonymous signup sheet is on the top right side of the bulletin board in the narthex for donors to pledge an amount of their choice. Please use your offering envelopes marking Scholarship or a plain envelope. You may place it in the offering, mail or drop at the office. There are pledge cards available to remind you of your monthly pledge. **Thank you for helping to provide a Christian Education for these students.**

**Prayer Partners/Lunch Bunch-** Mark your calendars for Oct. 28, Nov. 18, Dec. 16, Jan. 20, Feb. 24, March 17, April 21, and May 12. It's going to be a super year!

**Craft Fair 2022 -** Save the date for the Annual Christmas Craft Fair and Lunch, which will be Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2022. All crafters who would like to reserve a space, please send the registration form and check to the Messiah office. These spaces fill-up quickly, so reserve your space soon. **Thank you, Lois.**

**Church/School Information-** We have a **calendar on our church website** with events that will be happening at Messiah Lutheran Church/School. <http://www.messiahlutherangj.org/> There is a **publication form** that is located in the wooden rack outside the office door. The publication form now has **3 selections: bulletin, newsletter, and calendar!** If you need something added to any of these platforms, please fill out the publication form and have it turned in to the office **by Wednesday at 9AM!** Anything brought in after that will be added to the next week's bulletin. Publication forms for the **newsletter are due by the 18<sup>th</sup>** of each month. **Thank you** for your cooperation in helping things run smoothly!

**INCOME FOR THE PERIOD: 9/21/2022 – 9/27/2022**

<b>Weekly Donations</b>	<b>\$16,899.80</b>
<b>Weekly Need</b>	<b>\$21,060.00</b>
<b>Month to Date</b>	<b>\$79,338.40</b>
<b>Monthly Need</b>	<b>\$84,237.00</b>

**Automatic handicap accessible door** - Has been fully covered! Thank you to everyone for your prayers and donations!

**Upcoming Volleyball games: Oct. 13th** at 4pm @ Life Academy 636 29 Rd. Grand Jct.,  
**Oct. 14th** at 6pm @ Pope John Paul 67051 Sunnyside Rd. Montrose CO.

**Trivent Financial Advisor:** Introducing **Brandi Kroese**, MBA as the new Trivent Financial Advisor in Grand Junction. Her address is **1114 N. 1<sup>st</sup> Street, GJ**. Her phone number is **970-744-4629** and email is [brandi.kroese@thrivent.com](mailto:brandi.kroese@thrivent.com). Her information is also by the offering basket.

**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**.

**LCMS FOUNDATION GIFT PLANNING MESSAGE:** Financial support of the Lord's work includes Gifts Now, Gifts in the Future, Gifts spread over time. Sometimes, our plans do not encompass more than a day's activity. Sometimes we may stretch that to a year. Yet our giving plan for the Lord's work is a lifetime plan that addresses current needs of ministry support and the plan for gifts for the moment the Lord calls us from this life to His eternal side. Your Messiah Gift Planning Counselor can help you work through your Lifetime Plan for Giving. **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 office, **970-245-2838**.

**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)