## June 16, 2024 - Sunday

**Lesson:** GOD, THE PRESERVER OF MAN

**Opening** with the musical prelude by Candi

(**DENISE**) Acknowledge Candi for the prelude music.

**DENISE** Good morning/// and *welcome* to our Christian Science Church in San Juan Capistrano. We are a branch of the Mother Church in Boston, Massachusetts. Our **purpose** is to **promote spiritual growth, unconditional love and healing** based on the teachings of the Bible and Mary Baker Eddy's writings. We are delighted that you are here with us today.

I'm Denise Cupp and I'll be reading this morning from our church.

**GREGG-** And I'm Gregg Archer and I'll be reading from Phoenix, Arizona.

Now let's begin our service by singing Hymn – # 75 (Read a Verse).

**GREGG** – The Scriptural Selection is from the New International Version of the Bible:

**GREGG** – And now let us unite in an extended period of silent prayer to be followed by the audible repetition of the Lord's Prayer and its spiritual interpretation as found in the Christian

Science textbook. You will find this in the fly leaf of your hymnal, and the words will appear on the computer screens.

Let us pray silently. (2 -3 minutes)

**DENISE** The Lord's Prayer......Our Father which art in Heaven......over all, and All.

**PAUL---** And to embrace our Spanish-speaking community, let's also pray the Lord's Prayer in Spanish. You may find this also on the fly leaf of the hymnal. (Paul will say the prayer in Spanish.)

**DENISE** -- Let's continue our service by singing another hymn, #224 (Read a verse.)

**DENISE**, We have some announcements this morning, (Include Prayer Requests)

**DENISE --**Today's **SOLO** is titled "Psalm 23" and will be sung by RACHEL MCLAUGHLAN and accompanied by CANDI DAGGETT.

**GREGG** – thank you RACHEL and CANDI.

When Mrs. Eddy replaced personal preaching by ordaining the Bible and Science and Health with Key to The Scriptures as Pastor of the Mother Church and its branches, she asked that this explanatory note be read before the Lesson Sermon: She addresses us as "**Friends**, "The Bible and the Christian Science textbook are our only preachers. We shall now read Scriptural texts, and their correlative passages from our denominational textbook; these comprise our sermon. The canonical writings, together with the word of our textbook, corroborating and explaining the Bible text in their spiritual import and application to all ages, past, present and future, constitute a sermon undivorced from truth, uncontaminated and unfettered by human hypotheses, and divinely authorized."

**GREGG**-- the Subject of today's Lesson is,-- **GOD, THE PRESERVER OF Man---**It is found on page 36 of the <u>Full Text</u>

<u>Quarterly</u> ---- and also in your program. Let us read the Golden Text from **JOB** together:

**GREGG** - the Responsive Reading is from **ISAIAH**.

I will read the standard text and **Denise** will read the **bold** text. Please feel free to read along with either or both of us. Let's begin.....

**GREGG** - The following citations comprise our sermon.

**DENISE** - I shall read from the Bible:......

LESSON SERMON......

MUSICAL OFFERING: Keyboard by Candi

VOCAL: by Rachel with Candi

**DENISE** - Thank you Rachel and Candi. Thanks to the staff and all those who work to make this possible. Following Candi's postlude, please join us for fellowship in our community room and on Zoom.

**DENISE**- And now let us all sing -- HYMN #474 in the new hymnal. (Read a verse)

**GREGG** - On page 468 of our textbook, our leader asks the following Question: "What is the **Scientific Statement of Being?"** Let us all repeat together her answer- which can also be found on the fly leaf of the hymnal, or on your computer screen.

**DENISE**– And let us read together the **Correlative Scripture** from 1<sup>st</sup> John, from the **KING JAMES VERSION**:

**GREGG** - The Closing Blessing is from : **PSALMS** 

<sup>8</sup>I delight to do Your will, O my God, And Your law *is* within my heart."

<sup>11</sup>Do not withhold Your tender mercies from me, O Lord; Let Your lovingkindness and Your truth continually preserve me.