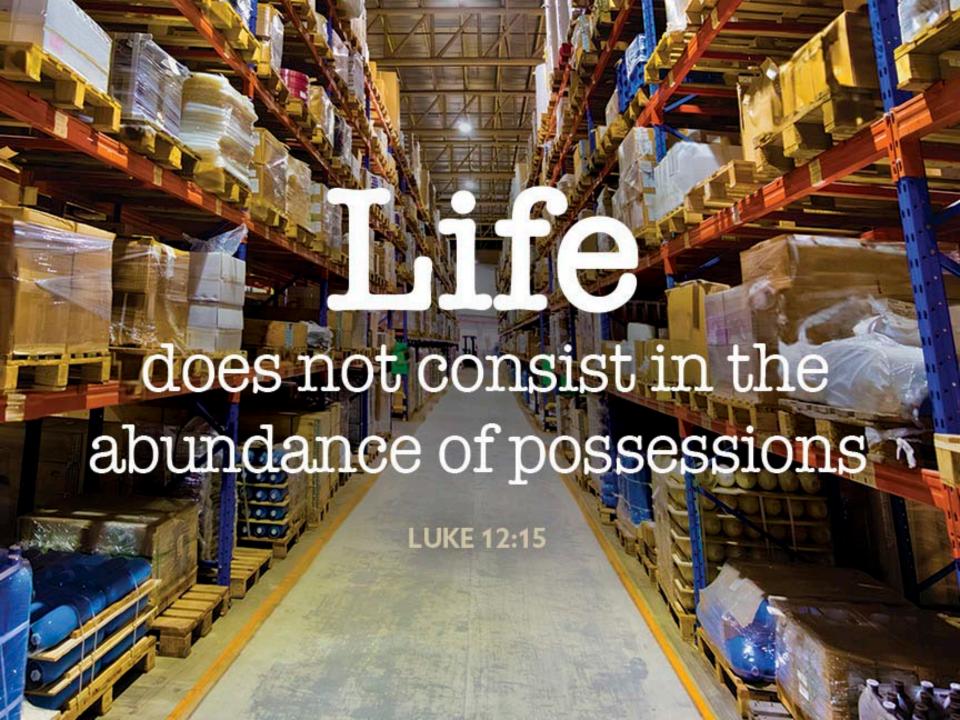
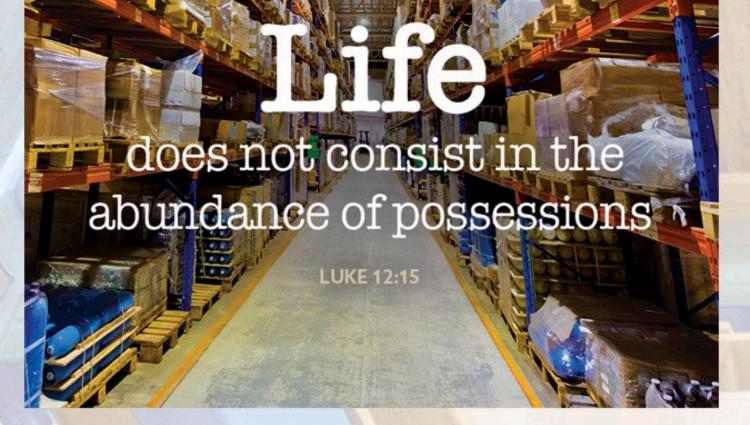


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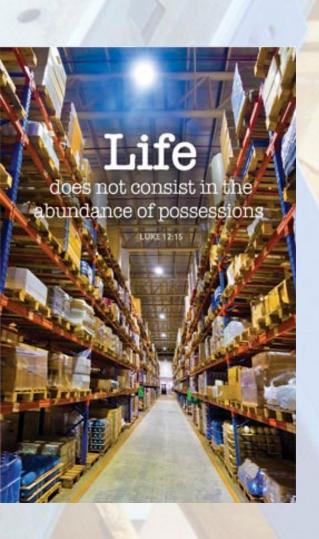
# Prelude Soon and Very Soon

(by Andre Crouch)

Brian Counterman, saxophone Chappell Kingsland, piano

THANKS FOR COMING

### Opening Hymn



A Hymn of Glory Let
Us Sing
ELW #393

A hymn of glory let us sing! New hymns throughout the world shall ring: Alleluia! Alleluia! Christ, by a road before untrod, ascends unto the throne of God. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

The holy apostolic band upon the Mount of Olives stand, Alleluia! Alleluia! and with his faithful foll'wers see their Lord ascend in majesty. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

#### A Hymn of Glory, ELW #393, Verse 3

To whom the shining angels cry, "Why stand and gaze upon the sky?" Alleluia! Alleluia! "This is the Savior!" thus they say, "this is his glorious triumph day!" Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

"You see him now, ascending high up to the portals of the sky." Alleluia! Alleluia! "Hereafter Jesus you shall see returning in great majesty." Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

O risen Christ, ascended Lord, all praise to you let earth accord: Alleluia! Alleluia! You are, while endless ages run, with Father and with Spirit one. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

#### Confession and Forgiveness

P: In the name of the Father, and of the 中 Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin.

P: Merciful God,

you free us to love others, but C: we neglect our neighbors and follow our own way. You lead us by the Spirit of joy and peace, but we turn away from the abundant life you offer. You surround us with patience, kindness, and generosity, but we grow weary in doing what is right.

C: In your mercy, forgive us. Do not give up on us. Heal us, break our bonds, and show us the path of life. Amen.

You belong to Christ Jesus and you are God's children through faith. In the cross of + Christ, and through the power of the Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven. Clothed with Christ, you are a new creation.

C: Amen.

#### Greeting

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

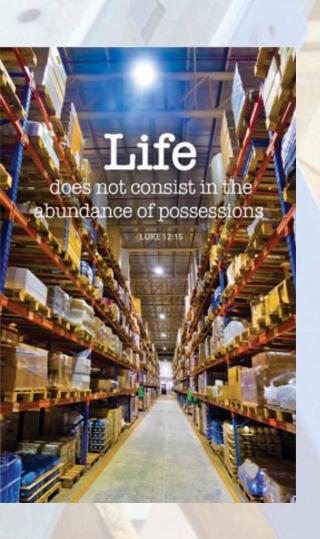
#### Hymn of Praise

Magnificent, marvelous, matchless love too vast and astounding to tell, forever existing in worlds above, now offered and given to all. Oh, fountain of beauty eternal, the Father, the Spirit, the Son, sufficient and endlessly generous, magnificent, marvelous, matchless love. How great, how sure,
his love endures forevermore.
Magnificent marvelous,
matchless love.
Magnificent marvelous,
matchless love.

#### Prayer of the Day

A: Let us pray.

Benevolent God, you are the C: source, the guide, and the goal of our lives. Teach us to love what is worth loving, to reject what is offensive to you, and to treasure what is precious in your sight, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.



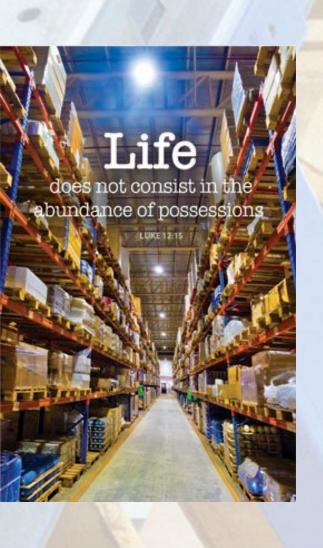
#### First Reading

Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-23

<sup>2</sup>Vanity of vanities, says the Teacher, vanity of vanities! All is vanity. <sup>12</sup>I, the Teacher, when king over Israel in Jerusalem, <sup>13</sup>applied my mind to seek and to search out by wisdom all that is done under heaven; it is an unhappy business that God has given to human beings to be busy with. 14 I saw all the deeds that are done under the sun, and see, all is vanity and a chasing after wind.

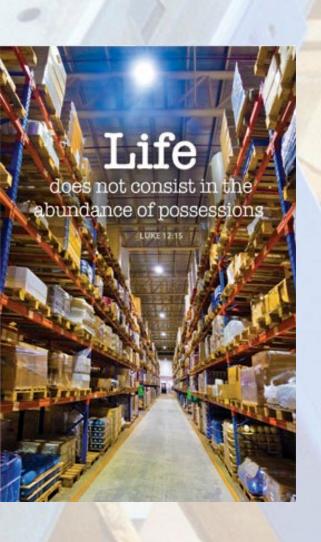
2:18 I hated all my toil in which I had toiled under the sun, seeing that I must leave it to those who come after me 19--and who knows whether they will be wise or foolish? Yet they will be master of all for which I toiled and used my wisdom under the sun. This also is vanity. <sup>20</sup>So I turned and gave my heart up to despair concerning all the toil of my labors under the sun,

<sup>21</sup>because sometimes one who has toiled with wisdom and knowledge and skill must leave all to be enjoyed by another who did not toil for it. This also is vanity and a great evil. 22What do mortals get from all the toil and strain with which they toil under the sun? <sup>23</sup>For all their days are full of pain, and their work is a vexation; even at night their minds do not rest. This also is vanity.



L: Word of God, word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

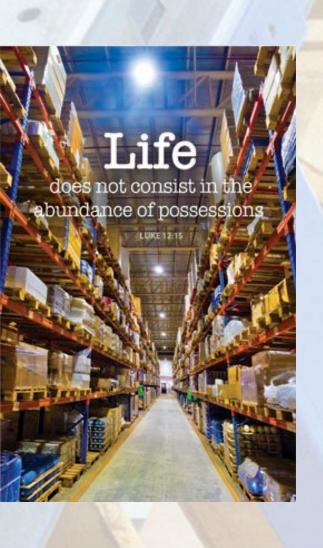


## **Second Reading Colossians 3:1-11**

<sup>1</sup>So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. <sup>2</sup>Set your minds on things that are above, not on the things that are on earth, <sup>3</sup>for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. <sup>4</sup>When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

<sup>5</sup>Put to death, therefore, whatever in you is earthly: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed (which is idolatry). 6On account of these the wrath of God is coming on those who are disobedient. <sup>7</sup>These are the ways you also once followed, when you were living that life. 8But now you must get rid of all such things--anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive language from your mouth.

<sup>9</sup>Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped off the old self with its practices 10 and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator. 11 In that renewal there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave and free; but Christ is all and in all!

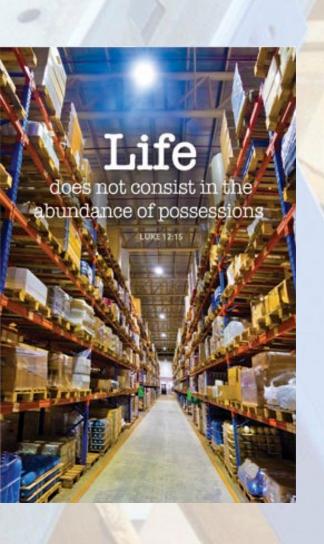


L: Word of God, word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

#### Gospel Acclamation

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord, open the eyes of my heart; I want to see you, I want to see you.



P: The Holy Gospel according to Luke.

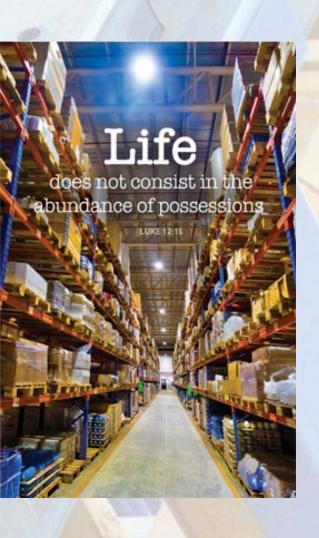
C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Luke 12:13-21

<sup>13</sup>Someone in the crowd said to [Jesus,] "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me." 14But he said to him, "Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?" 15 And he said to them, "Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions."

<sup>16</sup>Then he told them a parable: "The land of a rich man produced abundantly. 17 And he thought to himself, 'What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?' 18Then he said, 'I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods.

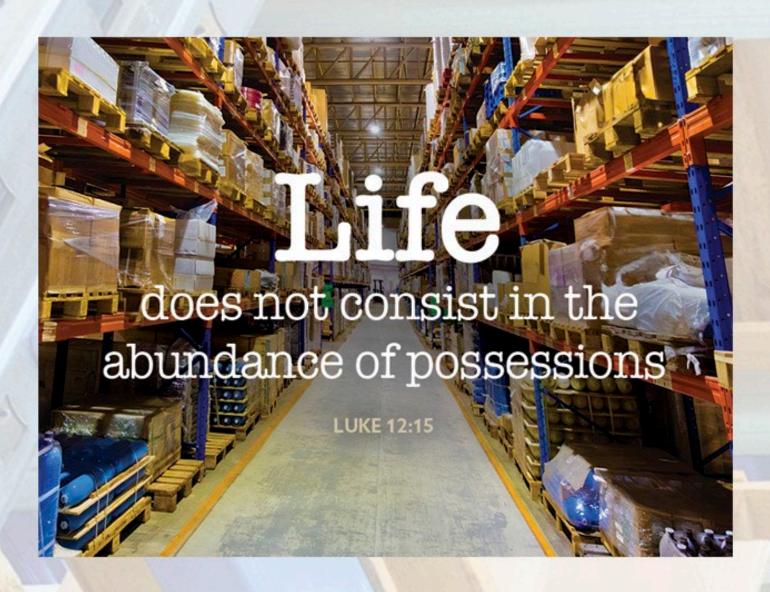
<sup>19</sup>And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.' 20 But God said to him, 'You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?' 21So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich toward God."



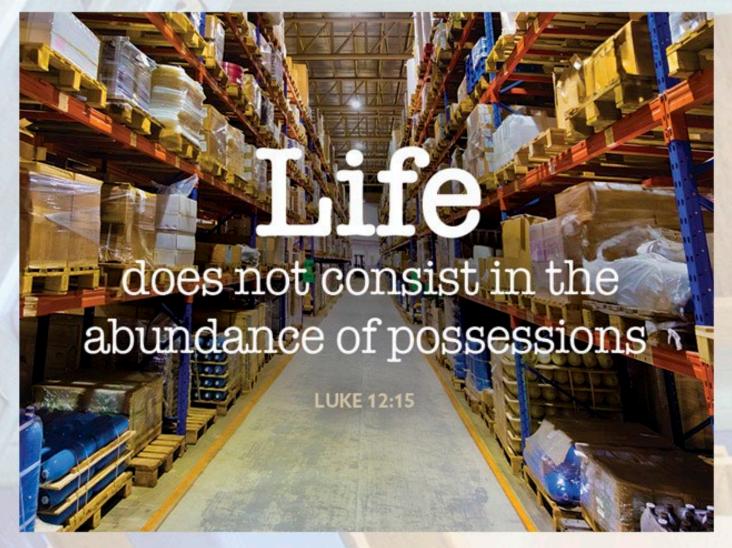
P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you,

O Christ.

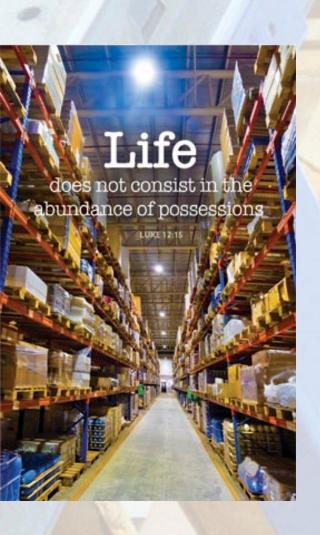


Children's Conversation



Sermon – Pastor Brad "Me, Me, Me"

# Hymn of the Day



### Christ, Be Our Light ELW #715

#### Christ, Be Our Light, ELW #715, Verse 1

Longing for light,
we wait in darkness.
Longing for truth, we turn to you.
Make us your own, your holy people,
light for the world to see.

Christ, Be Our Light, ELW #715, Refrain

Christ, be our light!
Shine in our hearts.
Shine through the darkness.
Christ, be our light!
Shine in your church
gathered today.

### Christ, Be Our Light, ELW #715, Verse 2

Longing for peace,
our world is troubled.
Longing for hope, many despair.
Your word alone
has pow'r to save us.
Make us your living voice.

Christ, Be Our Light, ELW #715, Refrain

Christ, be our light!
Shine in our hearts.
Shine through the darkness.
Christ, be our light!
Shine in your church
gathered today.

#### Christ, Be Our Light, ELW #715, Verse 3

Longing for food, many are hungry.

Longing for water, many still thirst.

Make us your bread,
broken for others,
shared until all are fed.

Christ, Be Our Light, ELW #715, Refrain

Christ, be our light!
Shine in our hearts.
Shine through the darkness.
Christ, be our light!
Shine in your church
gathered today.

#### Christ, Be Our Light, ELW #715, Verse 4

Longing for shelter,
many are homeless.
Longing for warmth, many are cold.
Make us your building,
sheltering others,
walls made of living stone.

Christ, Be Our Light, ELW #715, Refrain

Christ, be our light!
Shine in our hearts.
Shine through the darkness.
Christ, be our light!
Shine in your church
gathered today.

#### Christ, Be Our Light, ELW #715, Verse 5

Many the gifts, many the people, many the hearts that yearn to belong.

Let us be servants to one another, signs of your kingdom come.

Christ, Be Our Light, ELW #715, Refrain

Christ, be our light!
Shine in our hearts.
Shine through the darkness.
Christ, be our light!
Shine in your church
gathered today.

### Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

## **Prayers of Intercession**

A: In solidarity with all creation, we join our voice to the voice of the whole church and pray for the needs of the world.

A brief silence.

After each portion of the prayers:

A: God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

### The prayers conclude:

A: Trusting in your lovingkindness, we place our prayer and hope in you, in the name of Jesus Christ.

C: Amen.

### Presentation of Tithes and Gifts

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### Anthem

Amazing Grace
Brian Counterman, saxophone

## Offertory

All that I am, all that I have,
I lay them down before you, O Lord;
All my regrets, all my acclaim,
the joy and the pain,
I'm making them yours.

Lord, I offer my life to you, ev'rything I've been through, use it for your glory; Lord, I offer my days to you, lifting my praise to you as a pleasing sacrifice, Lord, I offer you my life.

# Offering Prayer

Creator God, in your wisdom you bring forth all that is good and the harvest is plentiful. Strengthen us at your table with these gifts of the earth and our labor, that we may work for the good of all; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

C: Amen.

# Great Thanksgiving

P: The Lord be with you.

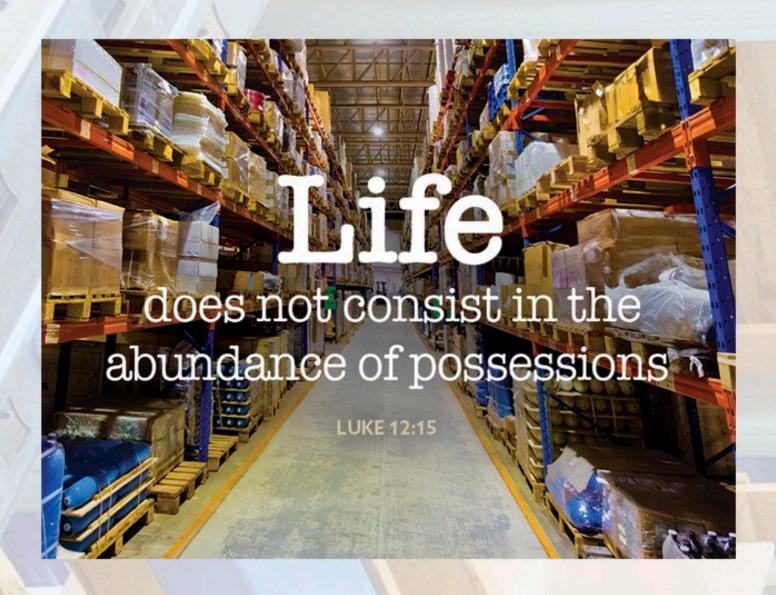
C: And also with you.

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 our thanks and praise.



Words of Institution

## The Lord's Prayer

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.

### Communion

You are welcome to move to the aisle as indicated by the ushers. Take an empty cup from the tray or a cup of grape juice. Gluten-free wafers are available. Children who are not receiving communion are encouraged to come forward and receive a blessing.

All are welcome, for it is the Lord's Table.

### Lamb of God

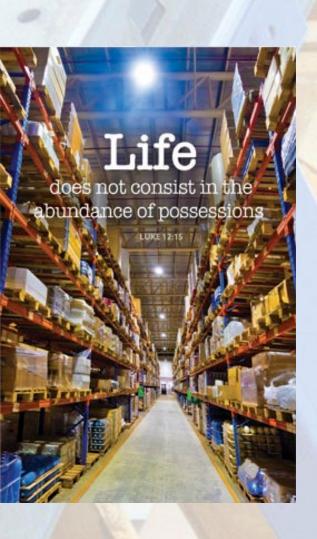
You are my strength when I am weak.
You are the treasure that I seek.
You are my all in all.
Seeking you as a precious jew'l,
Lord, to give up I'd be a fool.
You are my all in all.

Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is your name! Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is your name!

Taking my sin, my cross, my shame, rising again I bless your name;
You are my all in all.
When I fall down, you pick me up;
When I am dry, you fill my cup;
You are my all in all.

Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is your name! Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is your name!

## Communion Hymn



My Hope is Built on Nothing Less
ELW #597

#### My Hope is Built, ELW #597, Verse 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.

My Hope is Built, ELW #597, Refrain

On Christ, the solid rock, I stand; all other ground is sinking sand.

My Hope is Built, ELW #597, Verse 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.

My Hope is Built, ELW #597, Refrain

On Christ, the solid rock, I stand; all other ground is sinking sand.

#### My Hope is Built, ELW #597, Verse 3

His oath, his covenant, his blood sustain me in the raging flood; when all supports are washed away, he then is all my hope and stay.

My Hope is Built, ELW #597, Refrain

On Christ, the solid rock, I stand; all other ground is sinking sand.

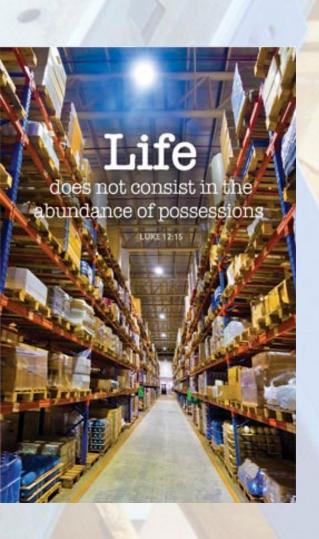
#### My Hope is Built, ELW #597, Verse 4

When he shall come with trumpet sound, oh, may I then in him be found, clothed in his righteousness alone, redeemed to stand before the throne!

My Hope is Built, ELW #597, Refrain

On Christ, the solid rock, I stand; all other ground is sinking sand.

# Communion Hymn



My Lord, What a
Morning
ELW #438

My Lord, What a Morning, ELW #438, Refrain

My Lord, what a morning; my Lord, what a morning; oh, my Lord, what a morning, when the stars begin to fall. My Lord, What a Morning, ELW #438, Verse 1

You will hear the trumpet sound, to wake the nations underground, looking to my God's right hand, when the stars begin to fall.

My Lord, What a Morning, ELW #438, Refrain

My Lord, what a morning; my Lord, what a morning; oh, my Lord, what a morning, when the stars begin to fall. My Lord, What a Morning, ELW #438, Verse 2

You will hear the sinner cry, to wake the nations underground, looking to my God's right hand, when the stars begin to fall. My Lord, What a Morning, ELW #438, Refrain

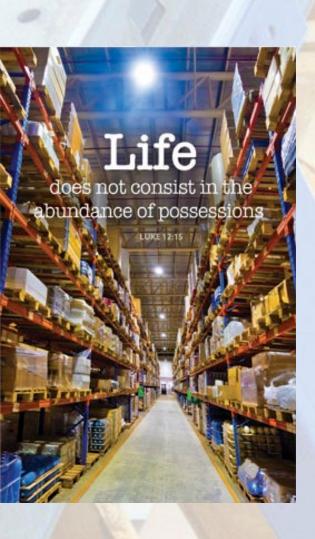
My Lord, what a morning; my Lord, what a morning; oh, my Lord, what a morning, when the stars begin to fall. My Lord, What a Morning, ELW #438, Verse 3

You will hear the Christian shout, to wake the nations underground, looking to my God's right hand, when the stars begin to fall.

My Lord, What a Morning, ELW #438, Refrain

My Lord, what a morning; my Lord, what a morning; oh, my Lord, what a morning, when the stars begin to fall.

# Communion Hymn



### How Great Thou Art ELW #856

#### How Great Thou Art, ELW #856, Verse 1

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder consider all the works thy hand hath made, I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder, thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed;

#### How Great Thou Art, ELW #856, Refrain

Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee, how great thou art! How great thou art! Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee, how great thou art! How great thou art!

#### How Great Thou Art, ELW #856, Verse 2

When through the woods and forest glades I wander, I hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees; when I look down from lofty mountain grandeur and hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze;

#### How Great Thou Art, ELW #856, Refrain

Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee, how great thou art! How great thou art! Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee, how great thou art! How great thou art!

#### How Great Thou Art, ELW #856, Verse 3

But when I think that God, his Son not sparing, sent him to die, I scarce can take it in, that on the cross my burden gladly bearing he bled and died to take away my sin;

#### How Great Thou Art, ELW #856, Refrain

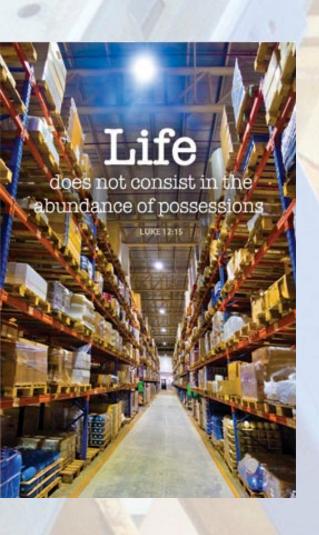
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee, how great thou art! How great thou art! Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee, how great thou art! How great thou art!

How Great Thou Art, ELW #856, Verse 4

When Christ shall come, with shout of acclamation, and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart! Then I shall bow in humble adoration and there proclaim, "My God, how great thou art!" How Great Thou Art, ELW #856, Refrain

Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee, how great thou art! How great thou art! Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee, how great thou art! How great thou art!

# Communion Hymn



Break Now the Bread of Life
ELW #515

Break Now the Bread of Life, ELW #515, Verse 1

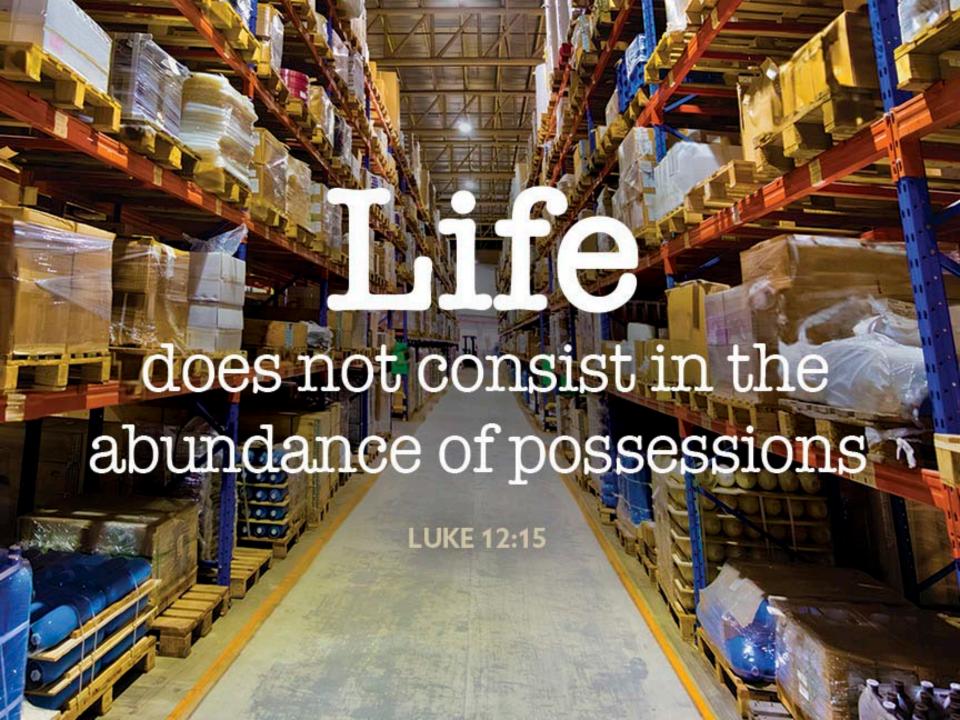
Break now the bread of life, dear Lord, to me, as once you broke the loaves beside the sea. Beyond the sacred page I seek you, Lord; my spirit waits for you, O living Word.

Break Now the Bread of Life, ELW #515, Verse 2

Bless your own word of truth, dear Lord, to me, as when you blessed the bread by Galilee. Then shall all bondage cease, all fetters fall; and I shall find my peace, my All-in-All!

Break Now the Bread of Life, ELW #515, Verse 3

You are the bread of life, dear Lord, to me, your holy word the truth that rescues me. Give me to eat and live with you above; teach me to love your truth, for you are love.



### **Post-Communion Blessing**

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: Amen.

#### **Post-Communion Prayer**

A: Mothering God, you gathered us to your table and we drank deeply of your grace. Send us out by your Spirit to love our neighbors as ourselves and proclaim your love in Jesus' name.

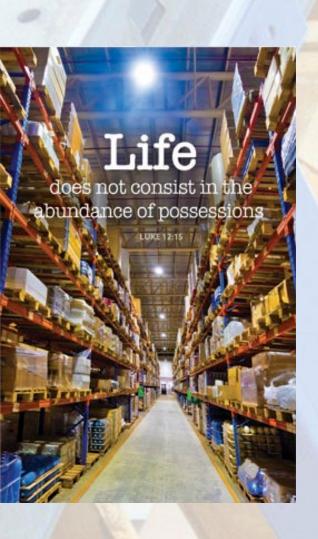
C: Amen.

# Blessing

P: The love of God abound in you; the grace of our Savior Jesus Christ fill your hearts; and the life of the Spirit + bless you and give you peace.

C: Amen.

# Sending Hymn



# We Know That Christ is Raised ELW #449

We know that Christ is raised and dies no more. Embraced by death, he broke its fearful hold, and our despair he turned to blazing joy. Hallelujah!

We Know That Christ is Raised, ELW #449, Verse 2

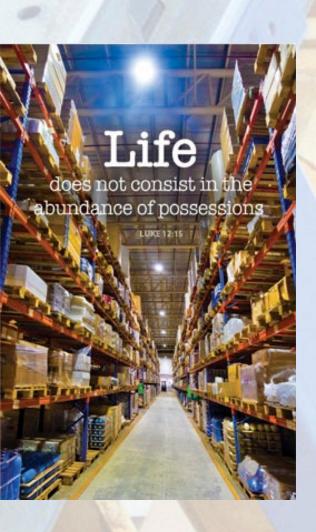
We share by water in his saving death. Reborn, we share with him an Easter life, as living members of our Savior Christ. Hallelujah!

The Father's splendor clothes the Son with life. The Spirit's fission shakes the church of God. Baptized, we live with God the Three in One. Hallelujah!

We Know That Christ is Raised, ELW #449, Verse 4

A new creation comes to life and grows as Christ's new body takes on flesh and blood. The universe restored and whole will sing: Hallelujah!

#### Dismissal



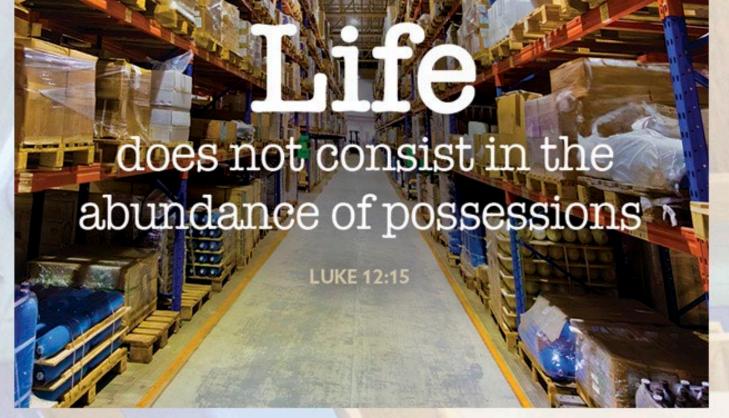
P: Go in peace.

Live by the Spirit.

C: Thanks be to God.

# GREAT WEEK

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#### Postlude

Sing of the Lord's Goodness

(by Ernest Sands)

Brian Counterman, saxophone Chappell Kingsland, piano

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