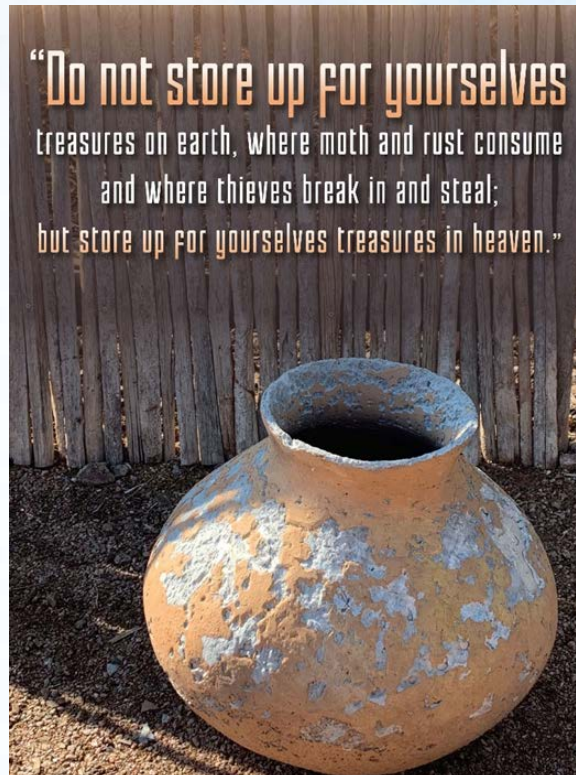


WELCOME!

Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church
January 29, 2023



Treasure In Heaven
Matthew 6:7-21, [25-34]



- * = Please stand if able
- = Please be seated

- **Prelude – Roxanne Groff**
- **Office of the Acolyte**
- **Ringling of the Bell**
- **Welcome**

* **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

*All may make the sign of the cross,
the sign marked at baptism...*

**L: We confess our sins before God and
one another.**

Pause for silence and reflection.

L: Merciful God...

*** CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

C: Christ came into the world and showed us how to live, but we have failed to live by what he taught. We have not loved you with all our heart, soul, mind and strength, we have not done to others as we would have done to ourselves. Shine a light on our hearts, that we might turn from the shadows of our sin and walk in your ways.

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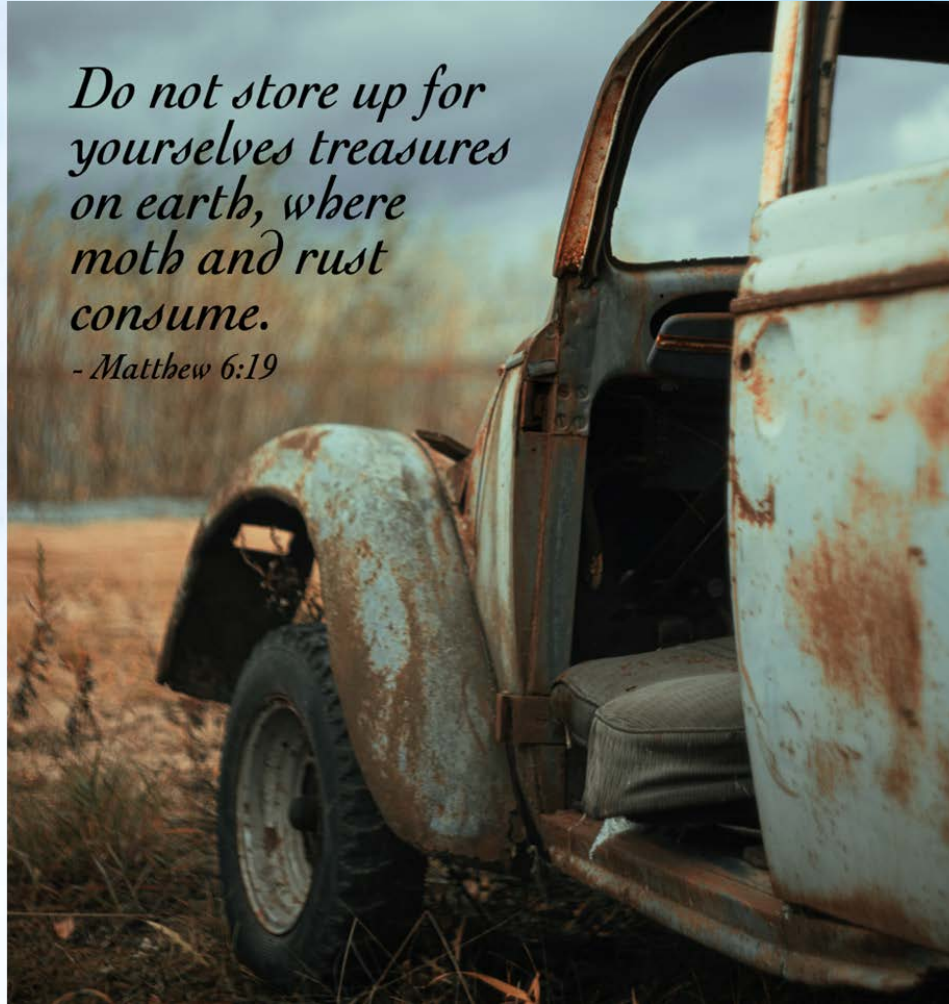
L: Jesus came not to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him. By his abundant love, all your sins are forgiven, that you might walk in the light of Christ.

C: Amen.

* Hymn of Praise

*Do not store up for
yourselves treasures
on earth, where
moth and rust
consume.*

- Matthew 6:19



**“How Firm A Foundation”
LBW 507**

**1 How firm a foundation,
O saints of the Lord,
is laid for your faith
in his excellent word!
What more can he say
than to you he has said
who unto the Savior
for refuge have fled?**

**2 “Fear not, I am with you,
oh, be not dismayed,
for I am your God
and will still give you aid;
I’ll strengthen you, help you,
and cause you to stand,
upheld by my righteous,
omnipotent hand.**

**3 “When through fiery trials
your pathway shall lie,
my grace, all-sufficient,
shall be your supply.
The flames shall not hurt you;
I only design
your dross to consume
and your gold to refine.**

**4 “Throughout all their lifetime
my people shall prove
my sov’ reign, eternal,
unchangeable love;
and then, when gray hairs
shall their temples adorn,
like lambs they shall still
in my bosom be borne.”**

* **APOSTOLIC 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.

* PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray... Gracious God, you invite us to come to you in prayer, and offer us a promise of your never-ending care. Give us the humility to ask only for what we need and to be grateful when we receive it.

C: Amen.



* **Scripture Reading**

R: Our scripture reading for this day is from the Gospel according to Matthew, the 6th chapter.

C: Glory to you O' Lord!
(Spoken)

*** Matthew 6:7-21, [25-34]**

7“When you are praying, do not heap up empty phrases as the Gentiles do; for they think that they will be heard because of their many words. **8**Do not be like them, for your Father knows what you need before you ask him.

9“Pray then in this way: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. **10**Your kingdom come. Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. **11**Give us this

*** Matthew 6:7-21, [25-34]**

day our daily bread. ¹²And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. ¹³And do not bring us to the time of trial, but rescue us from the evil one. ¹⁴For if you forgive others their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you; ¹⁵but if you do not forgive others, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.

¹⁶“And whenever you fast, do not look

*** Matthew 6:7-21, [25-34]**

dismal, like the hypocrites, for they disfigure their faces so as to show others that they are fasting. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward.

¹⁷But when you fast, put oil on your head and wash your face, ¹⁸so that your fasting may be seen not by others but by your Father who is in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

*** Matthew 6:7-21, [25-34]**

¹⁹“Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and steal; ²⁰but store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consume and where thieves do not break in and steal. ²¹For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.”

[²⁵“Therefore I tell you, do not worry

*** Matthew 6:7-21, [25-34]**

about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing?

²⁶Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? ²⁷And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your

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span of life? ²⁸And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, ²⁹yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. ³⁰But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? ³¹Therefore do

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not worry, saying, ‘What will we eat?’ or ‘What will we drink?’ or ‘What will we wear?’ ³²For it is the Gentiles who strive for all these things; and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things.

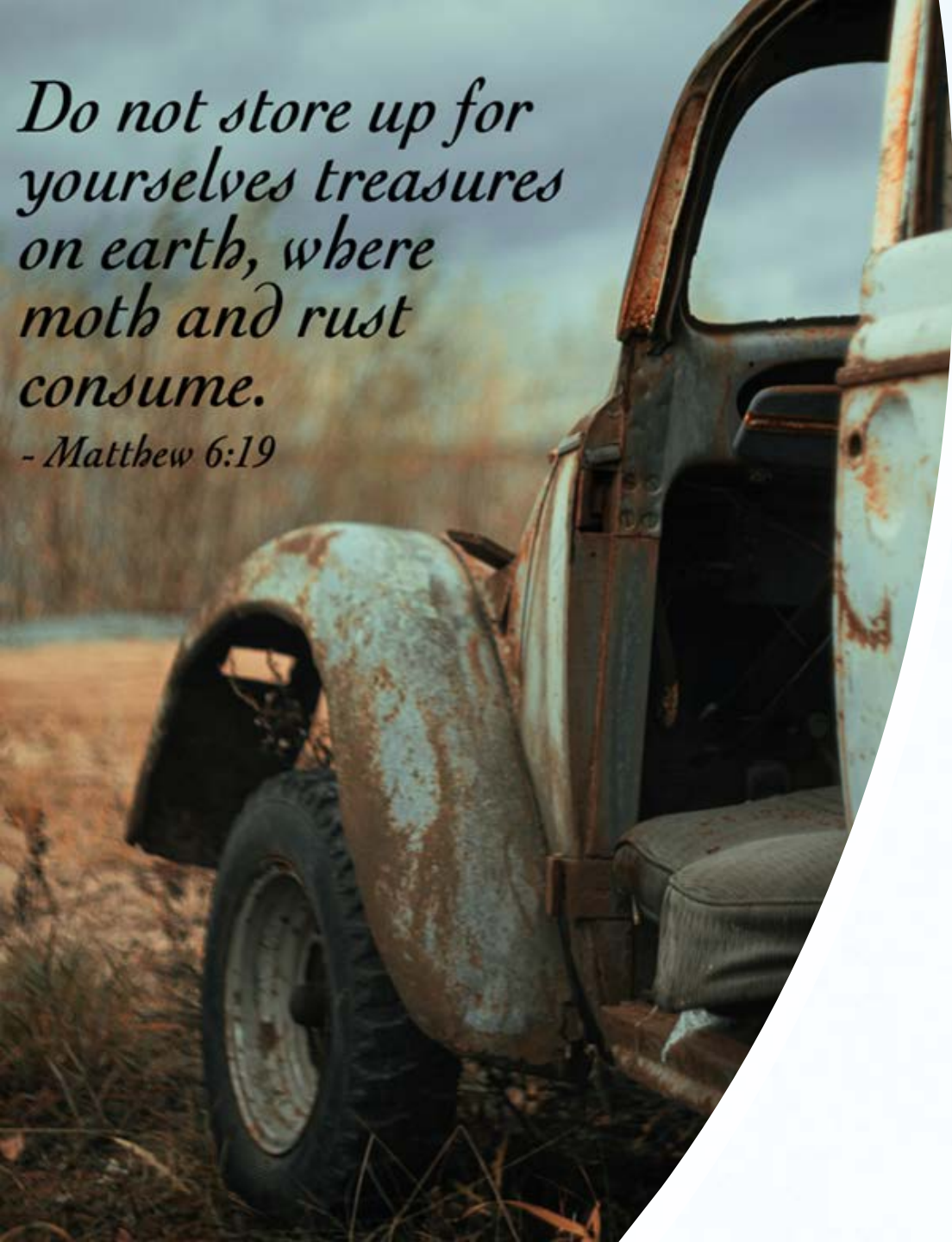
* **Matthew 6:7-21, [25-34]**

³³But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. ³⁴“So do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will bring worries of its own. Today’s trouble is enough for today.”

- **Matthew 6:7-21, [25-34]**

R: This is the Word of the Lord.


C: Praise to You, O Christ
(Spoken)

A photograph of a rusted, abandoned car in a field. The car is light blue with significant rust, particularly on the fender and door. The background is a blurred field of dry grass and trees under a cloudy sky. The image is partially obscured by a white curved shape on the right side.

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Sermon
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Hymn of the Day

Seek Ye First
With One Voice
783

- 1 Seek ye first the kingdom of God
And His righteousness
And all these things
Shall be added unto you
Allelu alleluia**

**2 Man shall not live by bread alone
But by ev'ry word
That proceeds
From the mouth of God
Allelu alleluia**

**3 Ask and it shall be given unto you
Seek and ye shall find
Knock and the door
Shall be opened unto you
Allelu alleluia**

* **APOSTLE'S CREED**

**C: I believe in God, the Father
almighty, creator of heaven and
earth.**

* APOSTLE'S CREED

C: I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

* APOSTLE'S CREED

C: He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

* **APOSTLE'S CREED**

C: 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

Each petition will end with the words,

A: Merciful God,

The congregation will respond with:

C: You hear our prayer.

* PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

The prayer concludes...

P: Receive our prayers and hold all for whom we pray in your loving arms, in the name of your son, Jesus Christ.

C: Amen.

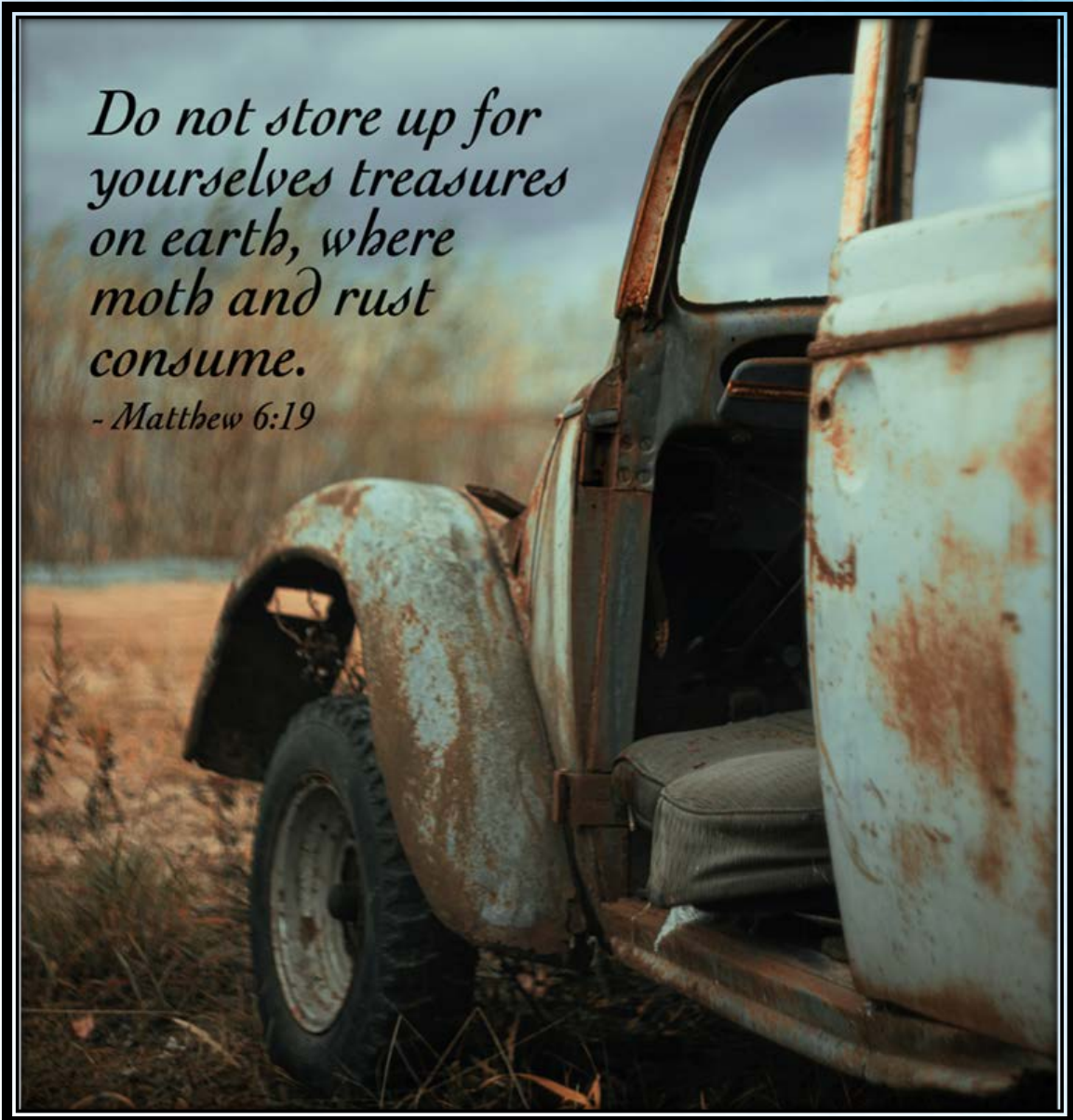
* **SHARING OF THE PEACE**

**P: The peace of the Lord be
with you all!**

C: And also with you.

- OFFERING

- * OFFERTORY
PRAYER

A photograph of a rusted, vintage car in a field. The car is light-colored with significant rust, particularly on the fender and door. The background is a blurred field of tall grass under a blue sky. The text is overlaid on the upper left portion of the image.

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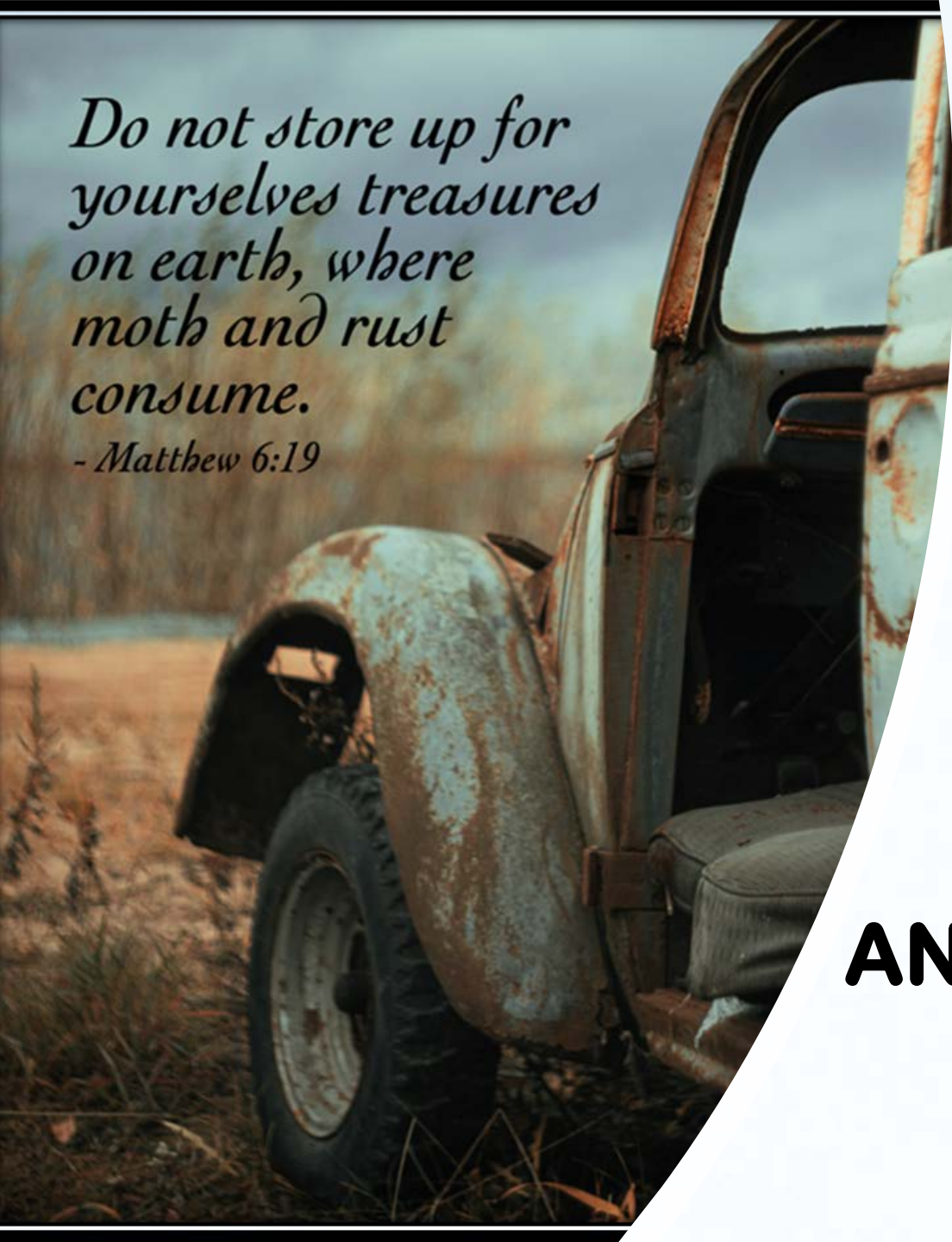
*** THE LORD'S PRAYER**

P: United into one body, let us pray as Jesus taught...

**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.**

*** THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**C: 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.**

A photograph of a rusted, abandoned car in a field. The car is the central focus, showing significant decay with large patches of rust on its body panels. The background is a soft-focus landscape of dry grass and trees under a hazy sky. The image is partially obscured by a white, curved graphic element on the right side.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

* **SENDING BLESSING**

P: The God who faithfully brings forth justice and breaks the oppressor's rod bless, **✝** strengthen, and uphold you, today and always.

C: Amen.

SENDING SONG

“We Plow the Fields and Scatter”

LBW 362

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* **We Plow The Fields And Scatter LBW 362**

**1 We plow the fields and scatter
the good seed on the land,
but it is fed and watered
by God's almighty hand.
He sends the snow in winter,
the warmth to swell the grain,
the breezes and the sunshine,
and soft refreshing rain.**

* **We Plow The Fields And Scatter LBW 362**

Refrain

All good gifts around us
are sent from heav'n above.
Then thank the Lord, oh,
thank the Lord
for all his love.

* **We Plow The Fields And Scatter LBW 362**

**2 He only is the maker
of all things near and far;
he paints the wayside flower,
he lights the evening star.
The winds and waves obey him;
by him the birds are fed.
Much more to us, his children,
he gives our daily bread.**

* **We Plow The Fields And Scatter LBW 362**

Refrain

**All good gifts around us
are sent from heav'n above.
Then thank the Lord, oh,
thank the Lord
for all his love.**

* **We Plow The Fields And Scatter LBW 362**

**3 We thank you, our creator,
for all things bright and good,
the seedtime and the harvest,
our life, our health, our food.
No gifts have we to offer
for all your love imparts,
but what you most would treasure--
our humble, thankful hearts.**

* **We Plow The Fields And Scatter LBW 362**

Refrain

All good gifts around us
are sent from heav'n above.
Then thank the Lord, oh,
thank the Lord
for all his love.

* **DISMISSAL**

P: ... depart in Christ's Love.

**C: Seeking, welcoming, and serving
all. Amen!**

POSTLUDE

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