The way of Jesus' baptism

Divine Service Sunday, March 17, 2019



Theme: The new creation within us—Suffering with Christ

Sub-theme:

Message: Being a Christian signifies following Jesus even in His suffering and death.

Bible verse: Luke 12: 49-50

I came to send fire on the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! But I have a baptism to be baptised with, and how distressed I am till it is accomplished!

Summary

- The fire mentioned by Jesus is an image for the glad tidings of redemption and for the Holy Spirit.
- The suffering and death of Jesus are prerequisites for the coming of the Holy Spirit.
- We too must pursue the path of Jesus' baptism, that is, go through suffering and death.
- As Christians, we have been given the commission to spread the fire of the gospel so that it can also be kindled in other people.

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