Work of salvation

Divine Service Sunday, June 19, 2022

Theme:

The church of Christ

Message:

We are called to bear witness of the holiness of the church of Christ through our conduct and nature.

Bible text: Ephesians 5: 25–27

Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself for her, that He might sanctify and cleanse her with the washing of water by the word, that He might present her to Himself a glorious church, not having spot or wrinkle or any such thing, but that she should be holy and without blemish.

Summary

- Christ instituted His church, sanctified it through His sacrifice, and thus allows it to share in His nature.
- The visible church is to proclaim the work and nature of Christ by making the gifts of salvation in it accessible to human beings.
- The holiness and purity of the church is the work of the Lord alone. Those who belong to the church demonstrate their love for Christ by dedicating themselves to Him and their neighbour.

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