

will. This is Jesus' Church and by faith we know and rejoice in it. So we can forgive when people in this congregation sin against us. Jesus has forgiven you. This is Jesus Church and be faith we know it and rejoice in it so we can let it pass like water off a duck's back when the voters do something we disagree with, after all, whose church is it? Who is looking out for our church? Jesus, who built it. This is Jesus' Church and by faith we know it and rejoice in it so we can come here to this building of wood and hear God's Word and be encouraged by our mutual faith and carry one another's burdens and save souls by the preaching of God's Word. Even if the carpet is ugly and the trim is horrendous because the real church is the most beautiful thing on earth. Jesus has made it so.

***Ephesians 5:25-27*** *Christ also loved the church and gave Himself for her, <sup>26</sup> that He might sanctify and cleanse her with the washing of water by the word, <sup>27</sup> 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.* This Is Jesus' Church. By faith we know it and

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