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## Lesson 27: The Church of Jesus Christ

## Memory work (last one for this year)

54. Q. What do you believe concerning the holy catholic Christian church?
A. I believe that the Son of God, out of the whole human race, from the beginning of the world to its end, gathers, defends, and preserves for Himself, by His Spirit and Word, in the unity of the true faith, a church chosen to everlasting life.
And I believe that I am and forever shall remain a living member of it.
55. Q. What comfort do you receive from the article about the life everlasting?
A. Since I now already feel in my heart the beginning of eternal joy,
I shall after this life possess perfect blessedness, in which to praise God forever.

## Homework

1.(8) The article in the Apostles' Creed speaks of the holy catholic Christian church. In the Creed of Nicea it is "one holy catholic and apostolic church". Altogether there are 4 adjectives describing the church. What do they mean? (See the Wikipedia article "Four Marks of the Church")

One: $\qquad$

Holy: $\qquad$

Catholic: $\qquad$

Christian / Apostolic: $\qquad$
2.(2) What do you figure it means to be a living member of the congregation of Jesus Christ? What are the kinds of things a living member does?

