

Our Service of Worship on the Lord's Day (Rom. 12:1 – NAS)

Sunday 10:27 a.m. August 2, 2020
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Jesus Is Lord

Sing Praises & Prayers to: Father-JesusChrist-HolySpirit

Call to Worship: Psalm 9:7-14 (KJV)

**** Invocation**

Congregational Prayer of Confession (See Bulletin Insert)

We praise God for His awesome Mercy:

**** #379 “There Is a Wideness in God’s Mercy”**

Scripture: Philippians 2:25-30

Pastoral Prayer

Lord’s Prayer (debts/debtors)

We exhort each other to fight with Christ’s for people’s lives:

**** #516 “Soldiers of Christ Arise”**

**Message: Have high regard for those who almost die
in the work for Christ**

We prepare our hearts for Communion:

**** #265 “Let Us Break Bread Together”**

Responsive Reading (See Bulletin Insert)

Celebration of the Lord’s Supper

**** Closing Hymn: #283 “Hallelujah! What a Savior!”**

**** Benediction: 1 Thessalonians 1:4-7 (RSV)**

**** Congregation Please Stand**

We welcome you to our Sunday worship service.

People arriving after 10:15 are encouraged to join in singing to The Lord, or to focus on The Lord by reflecting on the words of the songs, or otherwise communing with God.

This Week at the Church

Thursday 4:30 PM -- *Prayer in FCC Parlor*

Sunday 9:30 AM -- *Music Team Practice*

10:30 AM -- *Sunday Morning Worship*

A call to virtue

The *Discovery Bible Study* at 9:00 AM in the parlor is now on hold. A ten-page Bible study on submitting to Christ is available for independent study. See July *Vestry Voices*.

Our Thursday evening prayer meetings have resumed with social distancing.

Peter Anderson will fill the pulpit and lead worship the next two Sundays while I am on a working vacation. He will be preaching a two part series from *Ecclesiastes 7* and *9*.

We are giving people the opportunity to worship virtually. A video of our worship (on a one week delay) airs on Comcast (Xfinity) Clinton channel 8 on Mondays at 8:00 PM. To listen to last week’s sermon: Go to fccclintonma.org. On the left hand side go to ‘Blog Postings’ and click on ‘Sunday Services’. Under ‘Sunday Service – July 26, 2020’ hit the prompt ‘Continue Reading ->’. This will bring up PDFs of the Bulletin and Sermon Outline as well as two audios. Click on the big arrow on the left and it will start to play.

Fellow-soldiers of Christ receive God's Mercy

Philippians 2:25-30

Notes:

Prayer: To have a request included in the ***Pastoral Prayer***, phone the church office and leave a message any time before 9:00 AM on Sunday morning. *Or*, fill out a green 'Prayer Request' card on the back table as you come in and give to Pastor Gary up front before 9:25 AM.

Boxtop\$ for Education: See the downstairs bulletin board. If you are not doing this, consider starting now – either for your own children, or children in the church family.

Text for the week:

I thank Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, because He considered me faithful, putting me into service; even though I was formerly a blasphemer and a persecutor and a violent aggressor. And yet I was shown Mercy, because I acted ignorantly in unbelief; and the grace of our Lord was more than abundant, with the faith and love which are *found* in Christ Jesus. It is a trustworthy statement, deserving full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, among whom I am foremost *of all*. And yet for this reason I found Mercy, in order that in me as the foremost, Jesus Christ might demonstrate His perfect patience, as an example for those who would believe in Him for eternal life.

1 Timothy 1:12-16 (NAS)