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

Sunday 10:27 a.m.

September 27, 2020

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Jesus Is Lord

Sing Praises & Prayers to: Father-JesusChrist-HolySpirit

Call to Worship: Psalm 149:1-5 (NAS)

- ** **Opening Song** #371 "Reach Out to Jesus"
- ** Invocation

Congregational Prayer of Confession: (See Bulletin Insert)

We sing about The Lord, who is everything to us:

- ** #179 "How firm a Foundation"
- ** ---- "You Are My All in All" (See Bulletin Insert)

Scripture: *Philippians 4:10-17* (Darby)

** #626 Nicene Creed

Pastoral Prayer

Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors)

We sing about walking together with God, for God:

** #136 "We're Marching to Zion"

Message: The Gospel advances through mutual sharing of those IN The Lord

- ** Closing Hymn #524 "We've a Story to Tell to the Nations"
- ** **Benediction:** *Hebrews 12:1-3* (NAS)
- ** Congregation Please Stand

We welcome you to our time of worship this morning. Thanks for being with us today!

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

<u>Thursday</u> 4:30 PM -- Prayer in the parlor

Sunday 10:00 AM -- Music Team Practice

10:30 AM -- Sunday Morning Worship

Those who sacrifice for The Gospel
have their needs met IN Christ

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.

Please submit articles for the October *Vestry Voices* by Monday, September 28 at 1:00 PM. It will be mailed Tuesday, September 29.

We are giving people the opportunity to worship virtually. A video of our worship (on a one week delay) airs on Comcast (Xfinity) Clinton channels 8 and 99 on Mondays at 8:00 PM, Tuesdays at 6:30 AM, and Sundays at 5:30 AM. 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 – month, day, year' 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.

The secret of contentment is experiencing Messiah's strength

Philippians 4:10-17

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 the preacher up-front before 10:25 AM.

Text for the week:

Do not be ashamed then of testifying to our Lord, nor of me His prisoner, but share in suffering for The Gospel in the power of God, who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not in virtue of our works but in virtue of His own purpose and the grace which he gave us in Christ Jesus ages ago, and now has manifested through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through The Gospel. For this Gospel I was appointed a preacher and apostle and teacher, and therefore I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know whom I have believed, and I am sure that He is able to guard until that Day what has been entrusted to me. Follow the pattern of the sound words which you have heard from me, in the faith and love which are IN Christ Jesus; guard the truth that has been entrusted to you by the Holy Spirit who dwells within us.

2 Timothy 1:8-14 (RSV)