

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

Sunday 10:27 a.m.

July 25, 2021

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Jesus Is Lord

Sing Praises & Prayers to: Father-JesusChrist-HolySpirit

** **Prelude Song:** #308 “*No Other Plea*”

Call to Worship: *Exodus 34:5-9* (KJV)

** **Opening Hymn:** #317 “*Love Lifted Me*”

** **Invocation**

Congregational Prayer of Confession: (See *Bulletin Insert*)

Scripture: *Mark 9:14-29* (KJV)

** #626 **Nicene Creed**

Pastoral Prayer

Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors)

We pray the Savior will not leave us behind:

** #370 “*Pass Me Not*”

Message: *Jesus' mountaintop experience did not lead to an escape,
but a return to redeem from darkness*

** **Closing Hymn:** “*Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation*” (*Bulletin Insert*)

** **Benediction:** *1 Peter 1:3-9* (ESV)

** **Postlude Song:** #392 “*Only Believe*”

** 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

Wednesday **6:00 PM -- *Life of Christ bible Study***

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

10:30 AM -- *Communion Sunday Worship*

Peter Anderson, of Anderson Family Therapy, is filling the pulpit today and next week while Pastor Gary is on vacation. (Dave Lang will preach on August 8.) Peter has a broad education and work history. He has been an environmental engineer. He has seminary degrees from Reformed Theological Seminary and Gordon Conwell. Visit: andersonfamtherapy.com.

The Bible Study on ‘*The Life of Christ*’ is Wednesday at the church at 6:00 PM. We hand out the texts and discussion questions for the following week to facilitate the discussions. It is available via Zoom. The link may be requested at: glkiontke@aol.com.

We are giving people the opportunity to worship virtually.

Go to: www.facebook.com/pg/FCCClintonMA at 10:27 AM on Sunday mornings to watch the worship service live. The video of the service is also available to watch at any time.

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.

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Mark 9:14-29

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:

In hope against hope [Abraham] believed, in order that he might become a father of many nations, according to that which had been spoken, 'So shall your descendants be'. And without becoming weak in faith he contemplated his own body, now as good as dead since he was about a hundred years old, and the deadness of Sarah's womb; yet, with respect to the promise of God, he did not waver in unbelief, but grew strong in faith, giving glory to God, and being fully assured that what He had promised, He was able also to perform. Therefore also it was reckoned to him as righteousness.

Romans 4:18-24 (NAS)