

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

Sunday 10:27 a.m.

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Jesus Is Lord

Sing Praises & Prayers to: Father-JesusChrist-HolySpirit

** **Prelude:** #68 “All Hail the power of Jesus' Name”

Call to Worship: *Psalm 72:1-8, 11-14 (KJV)*

** **Opening Song** #592 “Now Thank We All Our God”

** **Invocation**

Congregational Prayer of Confession (Bulletin Insert)

We thank Jesus for giving us His Light and Life:

** 373 “The Light of the World Is Jesus”

Scripture: *Isaiah 9:1-7 & John 8:12 (KJV)*

Pastoral Prayer

Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors)

We thank God together for all King Jesus does to change us:

** #597 “We Gather Together”

Message: *Light and life are in King Jesus*

We prepare our hearts for Communion:

** ----- “Knowing You” (Bulletin Insert)

Responsive Reading (See Bulletin Insert)

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

** **Closing Hymn:** #413 “Living for Jesus”

** **Benediction:** *John 1:1-5 (NAS)*

** **Postlude:** #103 “He Is Lord”

** 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 **3:00 PM -- *Psalms Bible Study – Psalm 23***

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

10:30 AM -- *Sunday Morning Worship*

God plans hope for those who accept discipline

The sign-up sheet for Christmas gifts for forty (40) residents at Sterling Village is out today. Sign up early!

Our Wednesday evening Bible Study on *Psalm* has begun and we have changed the time to 3:00 PM on Wednesdays.

Articles for the December *Vestry Voices* are due Monday, November 28.

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.

God's Messiah inspires grateful thanksgiving

Isaiah 9:1-7 & John 8:12

Notes:

Text for the week:

Now when the builders had laid the foundation of the temple of the LORD, the priests stood in their apparel with trumpets, and the Levites, the sons of Asaph, with cymbals, to praise the LORD according to the directions of King David of Israel. And they sang, praising and giving thanks to the LORD, *saying*, 'For He is good, for His lovingkindness is upon Israel forever'. And all the people shouted with a great shout when they praised the LORD because the foundation of the house of the LORD was laid. Yet many of the priests and Levites and heads of fathers' *households*, the old men who had seen the first temple, wept with a loud voice when the foundation of this house was laid before their eyes, while many shouted aloud for joy; so that the people could not distinguish the sound of the shout of joy from the sound of the weeping of the people, for the people shouted with a loud shout, and the sound was heard far away.

Ezra 3:10-13 (NAS)