

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

Sunday 10:27 a.m.

December 11, 2022

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Jesus Is Lord

Sing Praises & Prayers to: Father-JesusChrist-HolySpirit

** **Prelude Song:** #352 *“He Hideth My Soul”*

Call to Worship: *Psalm 97* (NEB)

** **Opening Hymn:** #194 *“Joy to the World”*

** **Invocation**

Congregational Prayer of Confession (See *Bulletin Insert*)

We sing with the joy of creation in adoration of God:

** #561 *“The Trees of the Field”*

** #13 *“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”*

Scripture: *Isaiah 55:1-13 & John 4:13-14* (NEB)

Pastoral Prayer

Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors)

We sing praise to our glorious God:

** #79 *“To God Be The Glory”*

Responsive Reading: *Isaiah 51:1-6* (NAS, See *Bulletin Insert*)

Light Advent Candle of **Light-Joy**

Message: *Joy comes from the ‘living water’ of eternal life*

** **Closing Hymn:** #400 *“Be Thou My vision”*

** **Benediction:** *1 Corinthians 15:54-58* (NAS)

** **Postlude Song:** #113 *“Rejoice in The 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 31*

Friday 7:00 PM -- *Movie night*

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

10:30 AM -- *Communion Sunday Worship*

The eternal spirit-savior took on human flesh

The sign-up sheet for Christmas gifts for forty (40) residents at Sterling Village is out today. We still have twenty-five (25) residents without a name. (Debi said she can take ten.)

Our Wednesday Bible Study on *Psalm* has begun. We meet at 3:00 PM on Wednesdays.

It turns out there are no DVDs of the movie noted in the December Vestry Voices, so another movie has been substituted in its place.

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 gives the 'bread of life'
to the thirsty poor***

Isaiah 55:1-13 & John 4:13-14

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:

Jesus said to them, 'I am the bread of life; he who comes to Me shall not hunger, and he who believes in Me shall never thirst. But I said to you, that you have seen Me, and yet do not believe. All that the Father gives Me shall come to Me, and the one who comes to Me I will certainly not cast out.

John 6:35-37 (NAS)