Our Service of Worship on the Lord's Day (<i>Rom.</i> 12:1 – NAS)
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Sunday 10:27 a.m.	December 18, 2022
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Jesus Is Lord

Sing Praises & Prayers to: Father-JesusChrist-HolySpirit

** Prelude: #210 "I Wonder as I Wander" Call to Worship: Psalm 107:1-8 (KJV)

** **Opening Hymn** #200 "O Little Town of Bethlehem"

****** Invocation

Congregational Prayer of Confession (Bulletin Insert)

We sing about Jesus' birth and ask for His ever-present Love: ** #209 "Away in a Manger"

Scripture: John 1:1-18 & Psalm 130:5-8 (KJV)

Pastoral Prayer Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors)

We testify to LOVE incarnate dwelling with us: ** #215 "O Hearken Ye"

Responsive Reading: *Isaiah 43:1-5* (NAS, See *Bulletin Insert*) Light Advent Candle of **Immanuel-Love**

Message: Jesus became man to love us by showing grace and truth

We prepare our hearts for Communion:

** #265 "Let Us Break Bread Together"

Responsive Reading (Bulletin Insert) Celebration of the Lord's Supper

** Closing Hymn: #72 "O The Deep, Deep Love of Jesus"

** Benediction: 1 Thessalonians 5:8-11 (NAS)

** **Postlude:** #203 "Ring the Bells"

** 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 Psalms Bible Study - Psalm 32
Thursday	3:00 PM Prayer in Parlor
<u>Saturday</u>	7:00 PM Christmas Candlelight Service
<u>Sunday</u>	9:30 AM Music Team Practice
	10:30 AM Sunday Morning Worship
	Those who encounter The Savior will tell others about Him

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

Vestry Voices articles for January are due Tuesday December 27.

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.

The eternal Spirit-Savior took on human flesh

John 1:1-18 & Psalm 130:5-8

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.

Text for the week:

And there shall no longer be any curse; and the throne of God and of the Lamb shall be in it, and His bond-servants shall serve Him; and they shall see His face, and His name *shall be* on their foreheads. And there shall no longer be *any* night; and they shall not have need of the light of a lamp nor the light of the sun, because the Lord God shall illumine them; and they shall reign forever and ever. And he said to me, 'These words are faithful and true'; and the Lord, the God of the spirits of the prophets, sent His angel to show to His bond-servants the things which must shortly take place. 'And behold, I am coming quickly. Blessed is he who heeds the words of the prophecy of this book.'

Revelation 22:3-7 (NAS)