

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

Sunday 10:27 a.m. July 9, 2023

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Jesus Is Lord

Sing Praises & Prayers to: Father-JesusChrist-HolySpirit

** **Prelude Song:** #90 “O Worship The King, All Glorious Above”

Call to Worship: *Psalm 103:1-6* (KJV)

** **Opening Hymn:** #414 “Have Thine Own Way, Lord”

** **Invocation**

Congregational Prayer of Confession: (Bulletin Insert)

We sing with thanksgiving that through Jesus the cross is victory:

** #588 “Come, Ye Thankful People, Come”

** #253 “When I Survey The Wondrous Cross”

Scripture: *2 Corinthians 4:1-15; Matthew 5:13* (KJV)

** #626 **Nicene Creed**

Pastoral Prayer

Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors)

We sing of Jesus in gratitude for all He gives us by grace:

** #307 “And Can It Be That I Should Gain?”

Message: *Disciples are called to preserve and proclaim God's light*

** **Closing Hymn:** #373 “The Light of the World Is Jesus”

** **Benediction:** *2 Corinthians 12:7-10* (NAS)

** **Postlude Song:** #61 “Glorify Thy Name”

** 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 -- Bible study – Psalm 126

Thursday 3:00 PM -- Prayer in parlor

Sunday 9:30 AM -- Music Team Practice

10:27 AM -- Sunday Morning Worship

*New creations in Christ are given
the ministry of reconciliation*

Our Wednesday Bible Study on *Psalms* is in the Fellowship Hall at 3:00 PM on Wednesdays.

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 puts His light in jars of clay

2 Corinthians 4:1-15; Matthew 5:13

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.

Texts for the week:

Then Jesus said to His disciples, ‘If anyone wishes to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow Me. For whoever wishes to save his life shall lose it; but whoever loses his life for My sake shall find it. For what will a man be profited, if he gains the whole world, and forfeits his soul? Or what will a man give in exchange for his soul?’

Matthew 16:24-26 (NAS)

First of all, then, I urge that entreaties *and* prayers, petitions *and* thanksgivings, be made on behalf of all men, for kings and all who are in authority, in order that we may lead a tranquil and quiet life in all godliness and dignity. This is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, who desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.

1 Timothy 2:1-4 (NAS)