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

Sunday 10:27 a.m. August 13, 2023

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Jesus Is Lord

Sing Praises & Prayers to: Father-JesusChrist-HolySpirit

** **Prelude Song:** #410 "Cleanse Me"

Call to Worship: Psalm 102:9-17 (KJV)

** **Opening Hymn**: #493 "We'll Understand It Better By and By"

** Invocation

Congregational Prayer of Confession: (Bulletin Insert)

We sing prayers to be drawn nearer to Jesus in His suffering:

** #412 "Draw Me Nearer"

** #426 "Lead Me to Calvary"

Scripture: Exodus 20:17; Romans 7:7-13;

1 Corinthians 13:4-7 (KJV)

** #626 Nicene Creed

Pastoral Prayer

Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors)

We surrender to Jesus who suffered so we might have His Life:

** #408 "I Surrender All"

Message: Love trusts, hopes and perseveres

** Closing Hymn: #436 "Take My Life and Let It Be"

** **Benediction**: 1 Peter 5:8-11 (RSV)

** **Postlude Song**: #106 "The Greatest Thing"

** 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 136

Thursday 3:00 PM -- Prayer in parlor

Sunday 9:30 AM -- Music Team Practice

10:27 AM -- Sunday Morning Worship

Guest preacher: Walter Mutti

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.

Coveting: the key sin to expose spiritual death

Exodus 20:17; Romans 7:7-13; 1 Corinthians 13:4-7

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:

Let us keep our eyes fixed on Jesus, who leads us in our faith and brings it to perfection: for the sake of the joy which lay ahead of him, he endured the cross, disregarding the shame of it, and has taken his seat at the right of God's throne. Think of the way he persevered against such opposition from sinners and then you will not lose heart and come to grief. In the fight against sin, you have not yet had to keep fighting to the point of bloodshed.

Hebrews 12:1-4 (NJB)