

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

Sunday 10:27 a.m.

September 17, 2023

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Jesus Is Lord

Sing Praises & Prayers to: Father-JesusChrist-HolySpirit

** **Prelude:** #449 “*Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us*”

Call to Worship: *Psalm 23* (NLT)

** **Opening Song:** #336 “*Jesus Loves Even Me*”

** **Invocation**

Congregational Prayer of Confession (See Bulletin Insert)

Pastoral Prayer

Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors)

We invite people to experience God's redeeming love:

** #82 “*Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*”

Scripture: *Matthew 18:1-14* (NIV)

Message: *Bringing the Lambs to Jesus*

We prepare our hearts for Communion:

** #245 “*We Are the Reason*”

Responsive Reading (See Bulletin Insert)

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

** **Closing Hymn:** #309 “*Redeemed*”

** **Benediction:** *1 Peter 2:21-25* (NASB)

** **Postlude:** #244 “*Worthy Is The Lamb*”

** 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

Thursday 3:00 PM -- Prayer in Parlor

Friday 7:00 PM -- Movie Night

Sunday 9:30 AM -- Music Team Practice

10:27 AM -- Sunday Morning Worship

God's people help the needy among them

Our Bible Study on *Psalms* will not be meeting this week.

You may read of preview of Friday's movie in the September *Vestry Voices*.

Articles for the October *Vestry Voices* are due Monday, September 25.

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.

Bringing Lambs to Jesus

Matthew 18:1-14

Notes:

Text for the week:

Thus says the Lord God, Behold, I am against the shepherds, and I shall demand My sheep from them and make them cease from feeding sheep. So the shepherds will not feed themselves anymore, but I shall deliver My flock from their mouth, that they may not be food for them. For thus says the Lord God, Behold, I Myself will search for My sheep and seek them out. As a shepherd cares for his herd in the day when he is among his scattered sheep, so I will care for My sheep and will deliver them from all the places to which they were scattered on a cloudy and gloomy day.

Ezekiel 34:10-12 (NASB)