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

Sunday 10:27 a.m.

October 22, 2023

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Preacher: Peter Anderson

Jesus Is Lord

Sing Praises & Prayers to: Father-JesusChrist-HolySpirit

** Prelude Song: #174 "Open My Eyes, That I May See"

Call to Worship: Psalm 130

** **Opening Hymn:** #16 "How Great Thou Art"

** Invocation

Congregational Prayer of Confession: (See Bulletin Insert)

Scripture: James 1

Pastoral Prayer

Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors)

We praise God for His faithfulness:

** #17 "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

Message: The Fire and Purpose of Trials

** Closing Hymn: #400 "Be Thou My Vision"

** Benediction: Numbers 6:22-26

** Postlude Song: #528 "Lord, Be Glorified"

** 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

Sunday 9:30 AM -- Music Team Practice

10:27 AM -- Sunday Morning Worship God's people work together to steward His creation

Peter Anderson, of Anderson Family Therapy, is filling the pulpit today while Pastor Gary and his family are on vacation in downeast Maine. He has been an environmental engineer. He has seminary degrees from Reformed Theological Seminary and Gordon-Conwell Seminary. Visit: andersonfamtherapy.com.

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 Fire and Purpose of Trials

James 1

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:

The works of His hands are truth and justice; All His precepts are sure. They are upheld forever and ever; They are performed in truth and uprightness. He has sent redemption to His people; He has ordained His covenant forever; Holy and awesome is His name. The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; A good understanding have all those who do *His commandments*; His praise endures forever.

Psalm 111:7-10 (NAS)