

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

Sunday 10:27 a.m. November 26, 2023
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Jesus Is Lord

Sing Praises & Prayers to: Father-JesusChrist-HolySpirit

- ** **Prelude Song:** #412 “*Draw Me Nearer*”
Call to Worship: *Psalm 119:33-40* (KJV)
- ** **Opening Hymn:** #82 “*Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*”
- ** **Invocation**
Congregational Prayer of Confession: (*Bulletin Insert*)
We sing of King Jesus who gives us grace:
- ** #429 “*Jesus Is Lord of All*”
- ** #311 “*He Giveth More Grace*”
Scripture: *2 Kings 22:1-20; 23:1-3; Luke 24:30-32* (KJV)
- ** #626 **Nicene Creed**
Pastoral Prayer
Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors)
We sing of The Covenant God's excellent Love:
- ** #71 “*Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*”
Message: *Jesus opens hearts with His words*
- ** **Closing Hymn:** #137 “*In Christ There Is No East or West*”
- ** **Benediction:** *Romans 5:8-11* (NJB)
- ** **Postlude Song:** #120 “*Behold, What Manner of Love*”
- ** 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*
Sunday 9:30 AM -- *Music Team Practice*
10:27 AM -- *Sunday Morning Worship*
Hope: *The eternal King from David will do justice*

Joy has asked us to do something different for Sterling Village residents this year. She is only asking for three categories of gifts: stuffed animals, body wash and calendars. She would like equal amounts of each. See details on sign-up sheet and *Vestry Voices*.

Be sure to consider the options for our next mid-week Bible study, and let your first three choices in order be known. And please feel free to choose a topic of your own first.

Articles for December *Vestry Voices* are due Monday, November 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 fcclintonma.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 Word of God leads to repentance

2 Kings 22:1-20; 23:1-3; Luke 24:30-32

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:

And when he sits on the throne of his kingdom, he shall write for himself in a book a copy of this [Torah], from that which is in the charge of the Levitical priests; and it shall be with him, and he shall read in it all the days of his life, that he may learn to fear the LORD his God, by keeping all the words of this law and these statutes, and doing them; that his heart may not be lifted up above his brethren, and that he may not turn aside from the commandment, either to the right hand or to the left; so that he may continue long in his kingdom, he and his children, in Israel.

Deuteronomy 17:18-20 (RSV)