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

Sunday 10:27 a.m. August 18, 2024

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Jesus Is Lord

Sing Praises & Prayers to: Father-JesusChrist-HolySpirit

\*\* **Prelude**: #433 "Near to The Heart of God"

Call to Worship: Psalm 111:1-5 (KJV)

\*\* **Opening Song**: #334 "There Is Power in The Blood"

\*\* Invocation

Congregational Prayer of Confession (See Bulletin Insert)

We declare The Cross of Jesus is enough for us:

\*\* #308 "No Other Plea"

**Scripture**: *Exodus* 2:15-22; 4:19-26; 18:1-5;

1 Corinthians 1:20-25 (KJV)

**Pastoral Prayer** 

Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors)

We worship God because of His wisdom:

\*\* #400 "Be Thou My Vision"

Message: God's ways are not man's ways

We prepare our hearts for Communion:

\*\* #265 "Let Us Break Bread Together"

Responsive Reading (See Bulletin Insert)

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

- \*\* Closing Hymn: "Before The Throne of God Above" (Bulletin Insert)
- \*\* **Benediction:** *Philippians 3:1-3* (NLT)
- \*\* **Postlude:** #11 "Thou Art Worthy"

\*\* 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 11:00 AM -- 'Angels' Bible Study

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

Women can encourage weak men to trust God for victory

The new Bible Study on Angels continues Wednesday morning.

Friday evening, we will be showing the monthly movie. See August *Vestry Voices*.

September Vestry Voices articles are due Monday, August 26.

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.

## Even those close to a priest can be offended by God's ways

Exodus 2:15-22; 4:19-26; 18:1-5; 1 Corinthians 1:20-25

Notes:

## Text for the week:

But now I am going to him who sent me; yet none of you asks me, 'Where are you going?' But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your hearts. Nevertheless I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Counselor will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. And when he comes, he will convince the world concerning sin and righteousness and judgment: concerning sin, because they do not believe in me; concerning righteousness, because I go to the Father, and you will see me no more; concerning judgment, because the ruler of this world is judged.

*John 16:5-11* (RSV)