

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

Sunday 10:27 a.m.

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Jesus Is Lord

Sing Praises & Prayers to: Father-JesusChrist-HolySpirit

** **Prelude:** #367 *“Fill My Cup, Lord”*

Call to Worship: *Psalm 18:13-17 (KJV)*

** **Opening Hymn** #93 *“O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing”*

** **Invocation**

Congregational Prayer of Confession: (Bulletin Insert)

We praise Jesus for breaking what bound us:

** #307 *“And Can It Be that I Should Gain?”*

Scripture: *Matthew 27:50-56; John 20:1-2, 10-18 (KJV)*

Pastoral Prayer

Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors)

We testify to redemption in Jesus:

** #309 *“Redeemed”*

Message: *Jesus' death opened the way for life*

We prepare our hearts for Communion:

** ----- *“Knowing You” (Bulletin Insert)*

Responsive Reading: *(Bulletin Insert)*

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

** **Closing Hymn:** #3 *“Crown Him with Many Crowns”*

** **Benediction:** *1 John 4:16-19 (RSV)*

** **Postlude:** #228 *“I Love You, Lord”*

** Congregation Please Stand

We welcome you to our time of worship this morning. We seek to have ‘full body’ worship through congregational singing and prayers in unison or responsively. We also look to God’s Word to inspire us to make the changes necessary in our everyday lives to do what He has called us to do to demonstrate our love to Him by loving our neighbors.

This Week at the Church

Wednesday 11:00 AM -- Memorial service for Dorice Bowman

Thursday 3:00 PM -- Prayer in the parlor

Sunday 9:30 AM -- Music Team Practice

10:30 AM -- Sunday Morning Worship

*Disobedience leads to punishment
with few exceptions*

The Bible Study on *Angels* is canceled this week because of Dorice Bowman’s memorial service at 11:00 AM on Wednesday at Miles-Sterling Funeral Home, 100 Worcester Rd. (Rte. 12), Sterling with burial at Reservoir Pines Cemetery.

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.

Jesus let Mary be the first witness of His resurrection

Matthew 27:50-56; John 20:1-2, 10-18

Notes:

Text for the week:

Some women were there, watching from a distance, including Mary Magdalene, Mary (the mother of James the younger and of Joseph), and Salome. They had been followers of Jesus and had cared for him while he was in Galilee. Then they and many other women had come with him to Jerusalem. This all happened on Friday, the day of preparation, the day before the Sabbath. As evening approached, an honored member of the high council, Joseph from Arimathea (who was waiting for the Kingdom of God to come), gathered his courage and went to Pilate to ask for Jesus' body. ... Joseph bought a long sheet of linen cloth, and taking Jesus' body down from the cross, he wrapped it in the cloth and laid it in a tomb that had been carved out of the rock. Then he rolled a stone in front of the entrance. Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Joseph saw where Jesus' body was laid.

Mark 15:40-43, 46-47 (NLT)