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

Sunday 10:27 a.m. June 22, 2025

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Pianist: [on CD]

Jesus Is Lord

Sing Praises & Prayers to: Father-JesusChrist-HolySpirit

** **Prelude:** #299 "Amazing Grace"

Call to Worship: Psalm 34:18-22 (KJV)

** Opening Hymn #453 "It Is Well with My Soul"

** Invocation

Congregational Prayer of Confession (Bulletin Insert)

We look to God to guide us in our difficulties:

** #352 "He Hideth My Soul"

** #479 "God Leads Us Along"

Scripture: Ruth 1:1-22; Matthew 5:3-9 (KJV)

** #626 Nicene Creed

Pastoral Prayer

Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors)

We seek Jesus because we need His help:

** #369 "Jesus, I Come"

Message: Mourners are blessed and will be comforted

** Closing Hymn: #138 "Blest Be the Tie That Binds"

** **Benediction:** *John 15:12-13* (NLT)

** **Postlude:** #24 "Be Still and Know"

** 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 -- Midweek Bible Study 'Angels'

Thursday 3:00 PM -- Prayer in Parlor

Friday 7:00 PM -- Movie

Sunday 9:30 AM -- Music Team Practice

10:30 AM -- Sunday Morning Worship

Yahweh provides harvest 'leftovers' for loyal foreigners

July Vestry Voices articles are due Monday, June 30.

The midweek Bible study on 'Angels' continues on Wednesday at 11:00 AM.

We will show the monthly movie on Friday. See the June *Vestry Voices* for more information.

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.

We can trust Yahweh even in the depths of mourning

Ruth 1:1-22; Matthew 5:3-9

Notes:

Prayer: To have a request included in the **Pastoral Prayer**, call 978-660-7557 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 Pastor Gary up front before 9:25 AM.

Text for the week:

Truly, you will weep and mourn over what is going to happen to me, but the world will rejoice. You will grieve, but your grief will suddenly turn to wonderful joy when you see me again. It will be like a woman experiencing the pains of labor. When her child is born, her anguish gives place to joy because she has brought a new person into the world. You have sorrow now, but I will see you again; then you will rejoice, and no one can rob you of that joy.

John 16:20-22 (NLT)