

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

Sunday 10:27 a.m. **April 12, 2026**

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Pianist: [on CD]

Jesus Is Lord

Sing Praises & Prayers to: Father-JesusChrist-HolySpirit

**** Prelude:** #518 “*Who Is on The Lord's Side?*”

Call to Worship: *Psalm 36:1-7* (RSV)

**** Opening Hymn** #338 “*My Savior's Love*”

**** Invocation**

Congregational Prayer of Confession (Bulletin Insert)

We invite people to come to Jesus for forgiveness:

****** #389 “*Softly and Tenderly*”

****** #387 “*Just As I Am, Without One Plea*”

Scripture: *1 Samuel 28:1-12 & Psalm 78:29-37* (KJV)

**** #626 Nicene Creed**

Pastoral Prayer

Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors)

We sing about people who struggle to receive Jesus:

****** #385 “*Almost Persuaded*”

Message: *Success can lead to pride, deceit and rejection by God*

**** Closing Hymn:** #410 “*Cleanse Me*”

**** Benediction:** *Titus 2:11-15* (RSV)

**** Postlude:** #150 “*Spirit of The Living God*”

**** 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 11:00 AM -- Bible Study: Job in Parlor

Thursday 3:00 PM -- Prayer in Parlor

Sunday 9:30 AM -- Music Team Practice

10:27 AM -- Communion Sunday Worship

Turning from God in disobedience leads to despair and destruction

The midweek Bible study on *Job* continues on Wednesday.

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.

Those who forsake God will deceive others out of fear

1 Samuel 28:1-12 & Psalm 78:29-37

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 Pastor Gary up front before 9:25 AM.

Text for the week:

Such, then, are the commandments, the laws and the customs which Yahweh your God has instructed me to teach you, for you to observe in the country which you are on your way to possess. And hence, if, throughout your lives, you fear Yahweh your God and keep all his laws and commandments, which I am laying down for you today, you will live long, you and your child and your grandchild. Listen then, Israel, keep and observe what will make you prosperous and numerous, as Yahweh, God of your ancestors, has promised you, in giving you a country flowing with milk and honey. Listen, Israel: Yahweh our God is the one, the only Yahweh. You must love Yahweh your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength. Let the words I enjoin on you today stay in your heart.

Deuteronomy 6:1-6 (NJB)