

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

Sunday 10:27 a.m.

August 16, 2026

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Jesus Is Lord

Sing Praises & Prayers to: Father-JesusChrist-HolySpirit

**** Prelude:** #533 *“Jesus Calls Us; O’er the Tumult”*

Call to Worship: *Psalm 30:1-5* RSV)

**** Opening Hymn** #13 *“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”*

**** Invocation**

Congregational Prayer of Confession: (Bulletin Insert)

We praise Jesus for His love that desires to keep us close to Him:

**** #439** *“O Love That Will Not Let Me Go”*

Scripture: *Ezekiel 24:15-27 & Psalm 38:6-15* (RSV)

Pastoral Prayer

Lord’s Prayer (debts/debtors)

We praise God for His grace to free us from sin IN Jesus:

**** #383** *“Grace That Is Greater Than Our Sin”*

Message: *Wait for Yahweh to answer in mourning*

We prepare our hearts for Communion:

**** #265** *“Let Us Break Bread Together”*

Responsive Reading: (Bulletin Insert)

Celebration of the Lord’s Supper

**** Closing Hymn:** #479 *“God Leads Us Along”*

**** Benediction:** *Luke 8:19-21* (RSV)

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

**** 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 -- Bible Study – Job

Thursday 3:00 PM -- Prayer in the parlor

Sunday 9:30 AM -- Music Team Practice

10:30 AM -- Sunday Morning Worship

***Ezekiel holds two sticks as one to signify
Israel’s re-unification***

The Bible study in *Job* continues Wednesday at 11:00 AM.

Vestry Voices articles for September are due Monday, August 31.

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.

***Ezekiel must not mourn his wife nor
Israel mourn their slain children***

Ezekiel 24:15-27 & Psalm 38:6-15

Notes:

Text for the week:

Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.
Blessed are the gentle, for they shall inherit the earth.
Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness,
for they shall be satisfied.

Matthew 5:3-6 (RSV)