



Christ Our Hope

Upcoming Events

- Sunday 2/7: Return to in-person worship
- Tuesday: Ladies Lunch 12-1pm at Panera Bread - Mayfaire location
- Beginning 2/3: Women's Bible Study 6:30-8:30pm in the fellowship hall every 1st and 3rd Wednesday's
- Friday: Men's Bible Study 7am at Boathouse
- March 5-6: IF Gathering Women's Conference Stream in the fellowship hall (Friday the 5th 7:15-10:30pm and Saturday 9:15am-4:00pm)

*If you're interested in attending, contact Erin Solomon at erinhsolomon@gmail.com

COH Financial Snapshot for December 2020

	December 2020	Fiscal YTD
Giving: Members & Visitors	\$25,491.30	\$90,615.79
Grants and support (Ended on 6-30-20)	\$1,800.00	\$8,950.00
Total income	\$27,291.30	\$99,565.79
Total Expenses	\$15,370.28	\$94,569.16
Difference	\$11,921.02	\$4,996.63

COH's fiscal year begins in July. Detailed financial statements are available in MemberHub. Online giving is available at: coh-ilm.churchcenteronline.com

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Blessing:

Leader: Blessed be God, The Father, The Son, and the Holy Spirit.

People: And Blessed be His kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

Jesus I Come

Out of my bondage, sorrow, and night,
Jesus, I come! Jesus, I come!
Into Thy freedom, gladness, and light,
Jesus, I come to Thee!
Out of my sickness into Thy health,
Out of my want and into Thy wealth,
Out of my sin and into Thyself,
Jesus, I come to Thee!

Out of my shameful failure and loss,
Jesus, I come! Jesus, I come!
Into the glorious gain of Thy cross,
Jesus, I come to Thee!
Out of earth's sorrows into Thy balm,
Out of life's storm and into Thy calm,
Out of distress to jubilant psalm,
Jesus, I come to Thee!

Out of unrest and arrogant pride,
Jesus, I come! Jesus, I come!
Into Thy blessed will to abide,
Jesus, I come to Thee!
Out of myself to dwell in Thy love,
Out of despair into raptures above,
Upward for aye on wings like a dove,
Jesus, I come to Thee!

Out of the fear and dread of the tomb,
Jesus, I come! Jesus, I come!
Into the joy and pleasure, Thine own,
Jesus, I come to Thee!
Out of the depths of ruin untold,
Into the flock Thy love doth enfold,
Ever Thy glorious face to behold,
Jesus, I come to Thee!

Call To Worship (said together)

**Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden.
Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love
you, and worthily magnify your Holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen**

Leader: Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ says: You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the first and great commandment. And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.

In Christ Alone

In Christ alone my hope is found,
He is my light, my strength, my song
This Cornerstone, this solid Ground
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease
My Comforter, my All in All
Here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone! - who took on flesh,
Fullness of God in helpless babe.
This gift of love and righteousness,
Scorned by the ones He came to save
Till on that cross as Jesus died,
The wrath of God was satisfied
For every sin on Him was laid
Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay,
Light of the world by darkness slain:
Then bursting forth in glorious day
Up from the grave He rose again
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me,
For I am His and He is mine
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

No guilt in life, no fear in death,
This is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath,
Jesus commands my destiny
No power of hell, no scheme of man,
Can ever pluck me from His hand
Till He returns or calls me home
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand.

First Reading:

A reading from Isaiah 42:5-9

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Gospel:

Leader: The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

People: Glory to you Lord Christ.

Matthew 5:13-20

Leader: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you Lord Christ.

Prayer for the children

Message: "Living It."

Rev. Curt Solomon

THE NICENE CREED (said together)

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is visible and invisible. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers Of God's People

Leader: Let us pray for the Church and for the world, saying, "hear our prayer."

For the peace of the whole world, and for the well-being and unity of the people of God.

Leader: Lord in your mercy.

People: Hear our prayer.

Leader: For Foley Beach our Archbishop, and Steve Breedlove our Bishop, and for all the clergy and people of our diocese and congregation.

Leader: Lord in your mercy.

People: Hear our prayer

Leader: For all those who proclaim the Gospel at home and abroad; and for all who teach and disciple others.

Leader: Lord in your mercy.

People: Hear our prayer.

Leader: For our brothers and sisters in Christ who are persecuted for their faith.

Leader: Lord in your mercy.

People: Hear our prayer.

Leader: For our nation, for those in authority and for all in public service.

Leader: Lord in your mercy.

People: Hear our prayer.

Leader: For all those who are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity. (Either silently or aloud please offer up any requests that you may have).

Leader: Lord in your mercy.

People: Hear our prayer.

Leader: For all those who have departed this life in the certain hope of the resurrection in thanksgiving let us pray.

Leader: Lord in your mercy.

People: Hear our prayer.

Leader: Heavenly Father, grant these our prayers for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Leader: Either seated or kneeling, let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.

Confession Of Sin (said together)

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed; by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Absolution

Leader: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who heartily repent and turn to him with true faith, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Leader: Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him.

Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Matthew 11:28

Leader: The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And with your spirit.

(The congregation greets one another with the words: The Peace of Christ be with you).

Offering

If you prefer to give online you may do so at: coh-ilm.churchcenteronline.com

Or by texting your gift to 84321.

Prayer Of Thanksgiving (said together)

Heavenly Father, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious body and blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ: and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the body of your Son, and heirs, of your eternal Kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and forever. Amen.

Blessing

The peace of God which passes all understanding keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. Amen.

Christ Be All Around Me

As I rise, strength of God
Go before, lift me up
As I wake, eyes of God
Look upon, be my sight

As I wait, heart of God
Satisfy and sustain
As I hear, voice of God
Lead me on, be my guide
Oh be my guide

**Above and below me
Before and behind me
In every eye that sees me
Christ be all around me
(Repeat)**

And as I go, hand of God
My defense, by my side
And as I rest, the breath of God
Fall upon, bring me peace
Oh bring me peace

Woah, Woah, Christ Be All Around me, yeah

Your life, Your death
Your blood was shed
For every moment
Every moment

Dismissal:

Leader: Let us go forth to love and serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!