



# **Christ Our Hope**

**Apprenticed to Jesus, Learning Together,  
Serving Wilmington**

December 4, 2022

# Church Information

## Upcoming Events

Sundays: 9am- JV Youth for 3rd-5th graders

-Youth Group for middle and high schoolers- 6pm-7:30pm

Sunday, December 11th- Bishop Breedlove visit, confirmation, children singing

Saturday, December 24th- 4pm & 6pm Christmas Eve Services (family service- no childcare)

Sunday, December 25th- 11am Christmas Service (family service- no childcare)

## COH Financial Snapshot for October 2022

	October 2022	Fiscal YTD
<b>Giving: Members &amp; Visitors</b>	\$24,585.44	\$145,348.17
<b>Other support</b>	\$800.00	\$4,200.00
<b>Total income</b>	\$25,535.44	\$149,548.17
<b>Total Expenses</b>	\$28,579.69	\$126,647.62
<b>Difference</b>	(\$3,197.25)	\$20,900.55

\*\*Our current fiscal year runs July 2022 through June 2023. Online giving is available at: [coh-ilm.churchcenteronline.com](http://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.**

## **Open the Eyes of My Heart**

Open the eyes of my heart Lord  
Open the eyes of my heart  
I want to see You  
I want to see You

**To see You high and lifted up  
Shining in the light of Your glory**

**Pour out Your power and love  
As we sing holy holy holy**

Holy holy holy  
Holy holy holy  
Holy holy holy  
I want to see You

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## **Lighting of the Advent Candle**

### **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 the second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.

## Behold Him

He who was before there was light  
Walked across the pages of time  
He who made every living thing  
Behold Him

He who heard humanity's cry  
Left His throne to wake as a child  
He became like the least of us  
Behold Him

Jesus Son of God Messiah  
The Lamb the roaring Lion  
Oh be still and behold Him

He who dined with sinners and saints  
Healed the blind the lost and the lame  
Even now He is in our midst  
Behold Him

He who chose a criminal's end  
Paid with blood to settle our debt  
Buried death as He rose to life  
Behold Him

**Jesus Son of God Messiah**  
**The Lamb the roaring Lion**  
**Oh be still and behold Him**  
**Jesus Alpha and Omega**  
**Our God the risen Savior**  
**Oh be still and behold Him**

Holy holy holy  
Is the Lord God Almighty  
Worthy worthy worthy  
To receive all praise

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## I Speak Jesus

I just want to speak the Name of Jesus  
Over every heart and every mind  
'Cause I know there is peace within Your presence  
I speak Jesus

I just want to speak the Name of Jesus  
'Til every dark addiction starts to break  
Declaring there is hope and there is freedom  
I speak Jesus

**'Cause Your Name is power**  
**Your Name is healing**  
**Your Name is life**  
**Break every stronghold**  
**Shine through the shadows**  
**Burn like a fire**

I just want to speak the Name of Jesus  
Over fear and all anxiety  
To every soul held captive by depression  
I speak Jesus

Shout Jesus from the mountains  
Jesus in the streets  
Jesus in the darkness over every enemy  
Jesus for my family  
I speak the holy Name Jesus

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## **Advent Collect**

Blessed Lord, who caused all Holy scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that by patience and the comfort of your holy Word we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen

## **First Reading:**

A reading from Acts 9:1-9

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

## **Gospel:**

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

**People: Glory to you Lord Christ.**

Matthew 17:1-8

Leader: The Gospel of the Lord.

**People: Praise to you Lord Christ.**

At this time, children 4k-2nd grade are invited to go to The Reef. The Reef is an age appropriate worship service and fun time. It will prepare children to participate in our main worship service. The children will return prior to Communion.

**Message: "Saul's Conversion"**

Rev. Curt Solomon

## **THE APOSTLES CREED (stand and said together)**

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth;**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord;**

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried.**

**He descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again.**

**He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the Communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. 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: The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

**People: And also with you.**

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

### **Offering**

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## **Holy Communion**

All baptized and believing followers of our Lord Jesus Christ are invited to partake in Holy Communion regardless of denomination. It is our custom to use wine during communion or grape juice is available upon request. If preferred, you're welcome to receive only bread or gluten-free wafer.

Leader: The Lord be with you.

**People: And with your spirit.**

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

**People: We lift them up to the Lord.**

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People: It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Leader: Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**People: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

Leader: And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray:

**People: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen**

Leader: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

**People: Therefore let us keep the feast.**

## **Prayer of Humble Access (said together)**

**We do not presume to come to this, your table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness but in your abundant and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table; but you are the same Lord, whose character is always to have mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him and he is us. Amen.**



## **It Came Upon A Midnight Clear (Holy Holy)**

It came upon a midnight clear  
That glorious song of old  
From angels bending near the earth  
To touch their harps of gold

Peace on the earth goodwill to men  
From heaven's all gracious King  
The world in solemn stillness lay  
To hear the angels sing

For lo the days are hast'ning on  
By prophets seen of old

When with the ever circling years  
Shall come the time foretold

Peace on the earth goodwill to men  
The Prince of Peace their King  
And the whole world send back the song  
Which now the angels sing

Holy holy holy holy  
Holy holy holy holy

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## **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.

## **O Come O Come Emmanuel**

O come O come Emmanuel  
And ransom captive Israel  
That mourns in lonely exile here  
Until the Son of God appear

## **Rejoice rejoice Emmanuel Shall come to thee O Israel**

O come Thou Dayspring come and cheer  
Our spirits by Thine advent here  
And drive away the shadows of night  
And pierce the clouds and bring us light.

O come Desire of nations bind  
All peoples in one heart and mind  
Bid thou our sad divisions cease  
A be Thyself our King of peace.

Rejoice rejoice Emmanuel  
Shall come to thee O Israel  
Shall come to thee O Israel  
Shall come to thee O Israel

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## **Dismissal:**

Leader: Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

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