



Christ Our Hope

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

August 20, 2023

Church Information

Upcoming Events

Sundays: 9am Sunday School in the Comfy Room

TODAY, August 20th: Wrightsville Beach Hangout 5:30pm- Lot 4- bring a picnic dinner

Sunday, September 10th: Fall Kickoff Potluck immediately following service

Saturday, September 16th: Church Membership Class - 9am-12pm

Sunday, September 17th: Readers Meeting immediately following service in Fellowship Hall

Fridays: 7am- Men's Bible Study @ Katy's

If you're interested in going to Synod 2023, contact Ashley for details. November 3rd-4th, 2023.

***If you're interested in joining a community group, email Lisa Todd at ltodd@cohwillmington.org**

COH Financial Snapshot for June 2023

	June 2023	Fiscal YTD
Giving: Members & Visitors	\$20,743.75	\$320,170.19
Other support	\$1,100.00	\$12,900.00
Total income	\$21,843.75	\$333,070.19
Total Expenses	\$31,551.30	\$372,026.95
Difference	(\$9,707.55)	(\$38,956.76)

**Our current fiscal year runs July 2022 through June 2023. Online giving is available at: coh-ilm.churchcenteronline.com



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Promises

God of Abraham You're the God of covenant
Of faithful promises
Time and time again You have proven
You do just what You say

Though the storms may come
And the winds may blow
I'll remain steadfast
And let my heart learn when You speak a word
It will come to pass

**Great is Your faithfulness to me
Great is Your faithfulness to me
From the rising sun to the setting same
I will praise Your name
Great is Your faithfulness to me**

God from age to age
Though the earth may pass away
Your word remains the same yeah
Your history can prove
There's nothing You can't do
You're faithful and true

Though the storms may come
And the winds may blow
I'll remain steadfast
And let my heart learn when You speak a word
It will come to pass

I put my faith in Jesus
My anchor to the ground
My hope and firm foundation
He'll never let me down (repeat)
He'll never let me down, oh

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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.

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.

All Sufficient Merit

All sufficient merit shining like the sun
A fortune I inherit by no work I have done
My righteousness I forfeit at my Savior's cross
Where all sufficient merit did what I could not

In love He condescended, eternal now in time
A life without a blemish, the Maker made to die
The law could never save us,
Our lawlessness had won
Until the pure and spotless Lamb had finally come

**It is done it is finished
No more debt I owe
Paid in full all sufficient
Merit now my own**

I lay down my garments, any empty boasts
Good works now all corrupted by the sinful host
Dressed in my Lord Jesus,
A crimson robe made white
No more fear of judgment,
His righteousness is mine

All sufficient merit, firm in life and death
The joy of my salvation shall be my final breath
When I stand accepted before the throne of God
I'll gaze upon my Jesus
And thank Him for the cross
Yes, I'll thank You for the cross

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How Great Thou Art

**Then sings my soul my Savior God to Thee
How great Thou art
How great Thou art
Then sings my soul my Savior God to Thee
How great Thou art
How great Thou art**

When Christ shall come
With shout of acclamation
And take me home
What joy shall fill my heart
Then I shall bow
In humble adoration
And there proclaim
My God how great Thou art

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First Reading:

A reading from Acts 14:21-28.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Gospel:

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

People: Glory to you Lord Christ.

Luke 13:22-30

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: "Door of Faith"

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

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

Or by texting your gift to 84321.

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.

Proclamation of Faith

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.

Abide

For my waking breath
For my daily bread
I depend on You
I depend on You
For the sun to rise
For my sleep at night
I depend on You
I depend on You

You're the way the truth and the life
You're the well that never runs dry
I'm the branch and You are the vine
Draw me close and teach me to abide

Where the Spirit leads
As I'm following
I depend on You
I depend on You
For the victories
Still in front of me
I depend on You
I depend on You

**You're the way the truth and the life
You're the well that never runs dry
I'm the branch and You are the vine
Draw me close and teach me to abide
Be my strength my song in the night
Be my all my treasure my prize
I am Yours forever You're mine
Draw me close and teach me to abide**

When I pass through death
As I enter rest
I depend on You
I depend on You
For eternal life
To be raised with Christ
I depend on You
I depend on You

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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.

Amen (Simple Gospel)

I believe that Christ is my Savior
All for love He plundered my heart from the grave
This is the simple gospel

I believe that Christ is Redeemer
All for love He settled the payment of sin
This is the simple gospel
It will never ever change

Let the church say amen
Let the church say amen
Death is defeated
Jesus is risen
This is our faith
The good news of grace
O let the church say amen

I believe that Christ is returning
Evermore His Spirit is living in me
This is the simple gospel
It will never ever change

The lost will come home
The bound will go free
The weak will be strong
The broken redeemed
The sick will be well
The hungry will feast
The mourning will dance
The blinded will see
The church will arise
With power and love
Our cities will know
The glory of God
The future is bright
There's nothing to fear
Revival is now
The Kingdom is here

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Dismissal:

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

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!

Let's Connect

Please share some information with us so we can stay connected with you. You may place the card in the offering basket.

Name _____

Email _____

Address _____

Phone Number _____

(Please circle) I want to know more about...

- Baptism
- Christian Faith
- Community Group
- Communion
- Ways to Serve (Nursery, Reef, Celebrate Recovery Team, Hospitality Team, Communion Team, Usher Team, Reading Team, Prayer Team, etc.)
- The Anglican Church
- Celebrate Recovery

I would like a pastor to contact me?

I would like to receive Church communication?

Prayer Requests

How can we pray for you this week?

Is this a confidential request?