



Christ Our Hope

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

December 29, 2024
Sweatshirt Sunday

Church Information

Upcoming Events

Be sure to stop by our Connect Table in the lobby, after the service, to see how you can get involved at COH!*

Fridays: 7-8am Men's Bible Study @ Katy's

Sundays: 6-7:30pm Youth Group at COH

*If you're interested in joining a community group, sign up at the Connect Table, or email Ashley at aowens@cohwillmington.org

COH Financial Snapshot for November 2024

	November 2024	Fiscal YTD
Giving: Members & Visitors	\$25,634.00	\$127,085.68
Other support	\$1,000.00	\$5,000.00
Total income	\$26,634.00	\$132,085.68
Total Expenses	\$27,807.39	\$141,749.65
Difference	(\$1,173.39)	(\$9,663.97)

**Our current fiscal year runs July 2024 through June 2025. 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.

O Come Let Us Adore Him

O come let us adore Him
O come let us adore Him
O come let us adore Him
Christ the Lord

We'll give Him all the glory
We'll give Him all the glory

We'll give Him all the glory
Christ the Lord

For He alone is worthy
For He alone is worthy
For He alone is worthy
Christ the Lord

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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.

It Came Upon The Midnight Clear

It came upon the midnight clear
That glorious song of old
From angels bending near the earth
To touch their harps of gold
Peace on the earth good will to men
From heaven's all gracious King
The world in solemn stillness lay
To hear the angels sing

Still thro' the cloven skies they come
With peaceful wings unfurled
And still their heavenly music floats
O'er all the weary world
Above its sad and lowly plains
They bend on hovering wing
And ever o'er its Babel sounds
The blessed angels sing

And ye beneath life's crushing load
Whose forms are bending low
Who toil along the climbing way
With painful steps and slow
Look now for glad and golden hours
Come swiftly on the wing
O rest beside the weary road
And hear the angels sing

For lo the days are hastening on
By prophet bards foretold
When with the ever-circling years
Comes round the age of gold
When peace shall over all the earth
Its ancient splendors fling
And the whole world give back the song
Which now the angels sing

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We Three Kings

We three kings of Orient are
Bearing gifts we traverse afar
Field and fountain moor and mountain
Following yonder star

**O star of wonder star of night
Star with royal beauty bright
Westward leading still proceeding
Guide us to Thy perfect light**

Born a King on Bethlehem's plain
Gold I bring to crown Him again
King forever ceasing never
Over us all to reign

Frankincense to offer have I
Incense owns a Deity nigh
Prayer and praising all men raising
Worship Him God on high

Myrrh is mine its bitter perfume
Breathes a life of gathering gloom
Sorrowing sighing bleeding dying
Sealed in the stone cold tomb

Glorious now behold Him arise
King and God and sacrifice
Alleluia alleluia
Peals through the earth and skies

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A Responsive Reading from the Psalms:

Psalm 147:12-20

Praise the Lord, O Jerusalem!

Praise your God, O Zion!

13 For he strengthens the bars of your gates;

he blesses your children within you.

14 He makes peace in your borders;

he fills you with the finest of the wheat.

15 He sends out his command to the earth;

his word runs swiftly.

16 He gives snow like wool;

he scatters frost like ashes.

17 He hurls down his crystals of ice like crumbs;

who can stand before his cold?

18 He sends out his word, and melts them;

he makes his wind blow and the waters flow.

19 He declares his word to Jacob,

his statutes and rules to Israel.

20 He has not dealt thus with any other nation;

they do not know his rules. Praise the Lord!

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

A Reading from Isaiah:

Isaiah 61:10 - 62:5

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading:

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

People: Glory to you Lord Christ.

John 1:1-18

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: "Sweatshirt Sunday 2024"

Rev. Curt Solomon

Nicene Creed (stand and 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 Steve Wood our Archbishop, Alan Hawkins our Bishop, Curt Solomon our pastor, 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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Doxology

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow
Praise Him all creatures here below
Praise Him above ye heavenly host
Praise Father Son and Holy Ghost
Amen

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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. All bread used is gluten-free.

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 in us. Amen.

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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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.**

King Of Kings

In the darkness we were waiting
Without hope without light
Till from Heaven You came running
There was mercy in Your eyes
To fulfill the law and prophets
To a virgin came the Word
From a throne of endless glory
To a cradle in the dirt

Praise the Father
Praise the Son
Praise the Spirit three in one
God of Glory, Majesty
Praise forever to the King of kings

To reveal the kingdom coming
And to reconcile the lost
To redeem the whole creation
You did not despise the cross
For even in Your suffering
You saw to the other side

Knowing this was our salvation
Jesus for our sake You died

And the morning that You rose
All of heaven held its breath
Till that stone was moved for good
For the Lamb had conquered death
And the dead rose from their tombs
And the angels stood in awe
For the souls of all who'd come
To the Father are restored

And the Church of Christ was born
Then the Spirit lit the flame
Now this Gospel truth of old
Shall not kneel shall not faint
By His blood and in His Name
In His freedom I am free
For the love of Jesus Christ
Who has resurrected me

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Dismissal

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

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Let's Connect



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- Celebrate Recovery

I would like a pastor to contact me?

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Prayer Requests



PRAYER

How can we pray for you this week?

Is this a confidential request?